

# PONTIAC

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## Happy Easter

We hope all our students and their families had a safe and happy Easter weekend. We hope everyone had a weekend filled with laughter, family and great memories.

## Hoops for Heart

Students who have signed up for Hoops for Heart have been given pledge forms. Please ensure pledges are gathered safely with students working together to ask family and friends to support this cause. More information will be given closer to the Hoops for Hearts date.

## Important Dates

April 3 - Good Friday - no school

April 6 - Easter Monday - no school

April 15 - Parent Council meeting @ 4:30



## Outdoor Education

With spring finally here we look forward to warmer weather, new beginnings and learning opportunities. Our students have been engaging in outdoor learning opportunities with various grades participating in ice fishing activities to learn about the importance of conservation of natural resources and respecting the land. Outdoor activities also support with academic learning. Various classes are visiting local sugar bushes to not only learn about the land but also procedural writing as they learn the process of making maple syrup. We look forward to the warmer weather and new learning opportunities.





## Building Community

Our students are building community not only within our immediate school but also with the entire community.

Within our school the grade eights and fives worked together to learn about the importance of communication when they created "box bots". This also provided an opportunity for peer assessments to take place. Peer assessment allows for feedback by others to see strengths and areas of improvement in work.

Our grade six and eight students also took the opportunity to read to the kindergarten students. This helps to build a sense of community and also leadership in our students. We have also teamed up with various community organizations to have our students learn about the community and to build a sense of trust.



## More learning...



Learning about conservation, fishing and respecting our resources.



A visit to the Sugarbush not only allows students to learn about how to make maple syrup but also to practice their procedural writing skills. Students participated in the process of making maple syrup and learned about the land.