

Nain

Margaret Obed is our second graduate this year. She has already applied for the Aboriginal Bridging Program offered at CNA this fall. We wish her a successful year.

The newly introduced breakfast program is a success. Some of us have been arriving earlier and working harder.

We would like to thank Academy Canada for treating the class to lunch on **Teacher Appreciation Day**. It was much appreciated.

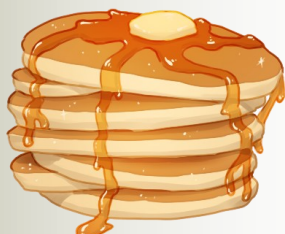


Corner Brook

It's Pancake Day!!

Students and staff at the Corner Brook campus were treated to a special breakfast on February 25th.

A special thank you to Academy Canada.



Cafeteria

A Little Good News



To the coast

A special thank you to Academy Canada for their generous contributions to a breakfast club at each of our most northern sites. Thank you to Amber Legge for the idea and the organization of such a wonderful initiative. The coast can be a cold and unpredictable place this time of year. The only way supplies get in is by air and this is weather dependent. So, we got a back up plan to keep your bellies warm if the weather doesn't cooperate.



Hopedale

The Hopedale campus recently had a great visit from three Nunatsiavut government officials as they finished their legislative meetings in Hopedale. The group included the newly appointed Minister of Education for Nunatsiavut Carlene Palliser, Deputy Minister Tim McNeill and the new Director of Education, Jodie Lane.

The meeting was quite informal but informative. Students were encouraged to ask questions and the class took advantage of the Q&A period.

Our guests were very pleased to hear about our breakfast program and were impressed by the setup at our school.

The students were quite pleased that these guests came to visit.



Our guests pose for a picture with our class.



Just a quick breakfast, then off to work!



Hopedale students make the best of the snow!

Natuashish

Natuashish campus has been on wheels these past couple months. We have our first graduate for the year, and two more not too far behind. We are so proud of you, Diane.

Congratulations on graduating from ABE and on your new job as Postmaster for Canada Post. Your hard work is certainly paying off!

We have also welcomed some new students to our class who have become well acquainted with our program and are doing very well thus far.



Congratulations Diane!



Amber and Marie Angela on skidoo as they arrived in Davis Inlet.

All of that hard work doesn't go without some play. The instructor, Amber, and student Marie Angela managed to get out one day for an incredible skidoo ride to Davis Inlet. Amber was taken aback by the beauty of the landscape. She enjoyed hearing Marie (and her husband Sam's) stories of happy times in the past back in Davis. They even brought Amber for a tour of their old house and all through Davis Inlet. They hunted partridges, explored about, and finished off the day with a boil up which consisted of tea, homemade bread and roast caribou. What a treat!



Davis Inlet, today

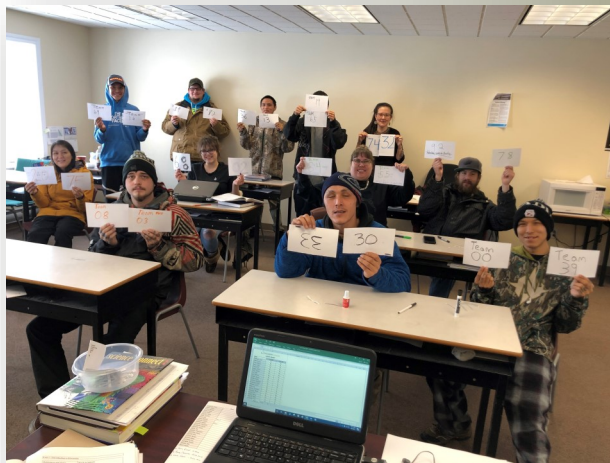
Right: Sam, Marie's husband, preparing the boil up.



Happy Valley—Goose Bay

Snowmobiling is a way of life in the North. March month, every second year, brings one of the most exciting events in these parts. It is the Cain's Quest Snowmobile race. It is the most grueling snowmobile race on the planet with teams from all over the world. This year's race features 48 teams, the most ever, which includes two female teams for the first time. The race route takes them from Labrador City to Happy Valley-Goose Bay, then to L'Anse au Clair, then up to Nain, from there back to Churchill Falls and then back to the finish line in Labrador City; a total of 3100 km.

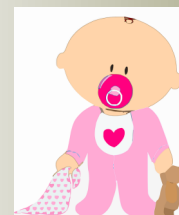
Our students are excited for the race and are participating in a fun pool. Each student is the proud owner of two teams. The lucky winner will be the recipient of some great Academy Canada merchandise. This is surely going to add a little bit more excitement to the race as they track the racers throughout the week. They are able to track the racer live using a tracking system supplied by Cain's Quest. Let the fun begin!



St. John's

"What a wild winter it has been so far at the Kenmount Road campus! We have some new staff to announce as well as some exciting news from one of our instructors.

We are thrilled to announce that Brittany Gulliver, a math instructor at our campus, and her husband Stephen have welcomed a little baby girl into the world! On January 5th, 2020, Brooklyn Gulliver was born and we are happy to say that their little family is settling in nicely to their new routine.



With Brittany having new duties as a mommy, we are welcoming Craig Benoit to our campus as a new math instructor. Craig is from Conne River and has had extensive experience as a teacher and administrator. We are happy to welcome him onto our staff.

Of course we can't forget to mention SNOWMAGEDDON 2020. On January 17th, St. John's went into a state of emergency for 8 entire days. It was a massive storm and most students claimed they had never seen that much snow before in such a short time. Thankfully, everyone stayed safe and we had lots of stories to share when we finally returned to class. Communities and neighbourhoods came together in what can definitely be described as a historic and unforgettable snow storm.

We are all looking forward to spring, that's for sure!"

The staff at the St. John's campus received treats everyday during Teacher Appreciation Week. There was coffee, muffins, pizza, and surprise treats left in out mailboxes. Of course, the drawing for gift cards on the final day made everyone happy.



Deer Lake



Congratulations Bill!

Instructor William Bennett received his 10 year Service Award, a beautiful Bulova watch. A special thanks to Academy Canada for recognition of his service.



More Graduates!

The Deer Lake Site has had 2 new graduates since the last newsletter; Holly Lavers (top) and Ashley Murphy (bottom). Best wishes to them both on their future endeavors.

Bonavista

Congratulations Terri-Lynn!

Students and staff at the Bonavista campus would like to congratulate Terri-Lynn Elliott-Joy on her graduation. She completed the program on March 5th. We wish Terri-Lynn all the best in her future endeavors.



St. Anthony

Students at our St. Anthony ABE campus are continuing to "enjoy" winter and all that mother nature has had in store for us on the Northern Peninsula. Despite the weather, our students continue on at a steady pace with positive attitudes all around. We have welcomed some new faces into our school over the past few months as our little family grows. We would also like to congratulate Ruby Carroll in advance on her upcoming graduation.



Labrador West

Greetings from Labrador West!

We have had a couple of busy months in Labrador West. Despite a few bone-chillingly cold days, we have had a pretty good winter here in the Big Land.

Everybody has been working away on their credits. At the end of February, everyone in the class had at least one credit. Awesome job!

One of our highlights this past month was Erica's speech on the many benefits of having plants in your home. They bring us oxygen, they can lift your spirits and provide comfort to those who are feeling down, and give a sense of accomplishment when new baby buds are discovered.



Great speech, Erica



Like many of you out there, we enjoyed special treats during Teacher Appreciation Week.

Thank you so much to the administration for those delicious sandwiches and cookies



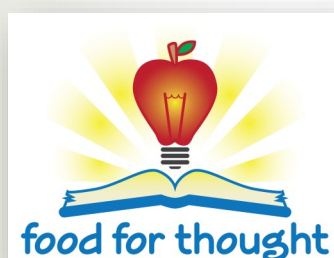
Exciting news coming up in Labrador West this weekend is the start of Cain's Quest; one of the most grueling snow mobile races in the world!

Our students will be following closely to see how this race plays out over the next week.



CBS

The staff and students at Academy Canada in CBS have made sure that no one works on an empty stomach. They have set up a small "lunch bag" in the kitchen where people can take and/or leave some snacks. The food sharing has been a positive experience for everyone and will be continued through to the end of the year!



Snow Sculpture Challenge

The ABE students at our Natuashish campus challenges our ABE students in CBS, Baie Verte, Corner Brook, Placentia, Bonavista, Deer Lake, St. Anthony, HV GB, Lab West, Sheshatshiu, St. John's, Nain and Hopedale to a SNOW SCULPTURE CONTEST.

How creative will your campus be?
Winning campus will be treated to a
pizza party.



Rules:

1. One entry per class
2. Sculptures must be respectful and non-offensive
3. Email photos to jmorry@academycanada.com by March 20, 2020
4. Have fun!

