



SPOTLIGHT ON MARYMOUNT



It was powered by kids who care. That's the **Sun Youth Toy/Food Drive at Marymount Academy.**

It started a couple of weeks ago with classrooms in competition to see how many tins of food they could collect. Miss Doughan's class was the clear winner!

Then on Tuesday, December 10, two IB students were taken to **Tours de Jeux** at Fairview where they purchased toys to be added to the drive. The money collected for this was the sole initiative of one student who collected from her fellow students over a matter of months. She pulled together \$215 on her own! Tours de Jeux not only gave us an amazing discount on the purchases but they donated two big boxes of toys to the drive.



The next day, Wednesday, December 11, the doors opened on the 2nd annual Marymount Toy/Food Drive for Sun Youth. All the boxes of food were brought from the school rooms to the front lobby where a small tree had been set up. Coffee was at the ready for anyone who wanted it. And there was an abundance of laughter and fun.

Tilley a stuffed toy was selected as the mascot for this year's Drive but was in tough competition with Cedric the caterpillar who was vying for attention all day...but that's another story.

Along with the huge drum brimming to the top, full of new toys, another box of toys and two boxes of food, more money was also collected that will be used to purchase more toys/food for Sun Youth.



And if that wasn't enough...on the same day approximately 400 students from schools near and far trooped into Marymount for a taste of Marymount Academy's active and vibrant community. They were ushered into the auditorium, where they hunkered down on the floor, for a concert put on by the Marymount band. (One young lady was heard to say on her way out, "I'm coming here next year!")



Continuing in the spirit of giving...once again,

Marymount IB students will be offering thanks to a group in the community that is making a difference to the lives of others.

On December 17, they will visit the residence for the elderly next door to the school - they will be bringing treats to the staff (nurses and caregivers) and hopefully some music to express their 'thanks' for all the hard work and all the caring that the people working at the residence give to the residents in the home. Since the beginning of the year, they have been going over to the residence and helping out by keeping the grounds and flower beds tidy.



Bravo to the kids who care enough to do this.

The rest of the month will see the students off on a visit to Radio Canada (French Department) - there's also the Honour Roll Breakfast and the Snowball Dance. Then...school is out for Christmas!

Our next edition of Spotlight will be in January and there will be some exciting moments to be shared...then. The New Year will be chocker block full of more events and activities for staff and students alike. Suffice to say, Marymount is going to be 'cooking'!

We also have a twitter address - please do follow it and re-tweet the tweets so we can get the Marymount message out far and wide! @mmacougars

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