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Throughout the Lester B. Pearson community during the month of February, generous thoughts and deeds have enriched our students.

An immense **Thank You** to Carol and Tina Heffernan, who requested donations to PEF in memory of their dear mother, Jean; and designated the proceeds to the **Rona Cupak Winter Wear Fund**.

The **LBPSB Social Committee** celebrated LOVE with a Valentine's Day Half-and-Half, and donated their half to the **Camp Venture Fund**, in memory of Jean. **Then the winner** of the Half and Half did the same!



Camp Venture, now in its 10th year, is a 2-week summer day camp in August for 20 elementary students with social, emotional and behavioral difficulties or whose families cannot otherwise afford camp. Teaching through play and reinforcement, the Student Services personnel who created and run the camp help the children develop social skills for success at camp, in school, and for life. Salaries and operating expenses of this camp are paid 100% by donations, with no government funding.



PEF Supports Your School

Raise funds for your school, directing the money through PEF, and donors get a tax receipt.
Here are a few of the active projects noteworthy in the month of February.

Christmas Park Elementary is upgrading all classrooms with furniture, books and supplies, using their general discretionary fund held in trust at PEF.

Out-of-the-box thinking for educational success: **Verdun Elementary** is using some of their general discretionary fund held in trust at PEF to buy eye-glasses for students in need.

Thank you to Jason Doan and John Jacques for being part of the **Telus Employee Volunteer Program** and to Karen Wilson from the **Bell Employee Program**. Both companies directed corporate donations to LBPSB schools through PEF in the names of their employees.

PEF has again been chosen as one of West Island charities to receive a cheque from the **Beaconsfield Oldtimers' Hockey Association** at their February event. The students thank you for your longtime annual support.

SAVE THE DATE: Next Comedy Night!

West Islanders love stand-up but hate fighting the downtown construction chaos.
April 20 at Lakeside Academy – Headliner - David Pryde!