



February 13th and 14th

Basketball Fun

Aurora Middle School was able to send 4 teams to the grade 5/6 boys and girls basketball tournament at Light of Christ. Players were able to gain valuable game experience and showed great sportsmanship and improvement throughout the tournament.

This week we will be hosting two exhibition games against Light of Christ. Our 7th girls will play Monday after school and our grade 7th boys will play Tuesday after school. Spectators are welcome!



Badminton Season

Badminton season will be starting shortly! At AMS we have a strong representation and a high number of students that participate in Badminton and we are happy to announce we were able to book the Bold Centre to allow for more practice space. Letters have gone out and we

will be sending an updated schedule this week that takes spring break into account.

Pink Shirt Day

Pink shirt day will take place on February 22. Pink Shirt Day is a worldwide day of bullying prevention that has its roots in Nova Scotia:

David Shepherd, Travis Price and their teenage friends organised a high-school protest to wear pink in sympathy with a Grade 9 boy who was being bullied [for wearing a pink shirt]...[They] took a stand against bullying when they protested against the harassment of a new Grade 9 student by distributing pink T-shirts to all the boys in their school. 'I learned that two people can come up with an idea, run with it, and it can do wonders,' says Price, 17, who organised the pink protest. 'Finally, someone stood up for a weaker kid.' So Mr. Shepherd and some other headed off to a discount store and bought 50 pink tank tops. They sent out message to schoolmates that night, and the next morning they hauled the shirts to school in a plastic bag. As they stood in the foyer handing out the shirts, the bullied boy walked in. His face spoke volumes. 'It looked like a huge weight was lifted off his shoulders,' Price recalled. The bullies were never heard from again."

On February 22, we encourage **everyone** - not just students, but teachers, principals, support staff, and parents - to practice kindness and wear pink to symbolize that you do not tolerate bullying. To promote pink shirt day we will have a pink tie dye station set up on February 21 where students can bring their white T-Shirts and get creative with pink dye!

Important Dates

February 15-17 No School Days- Teacher Convention

February 20th Family Day- No School

