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## **FEBRUARY 2011**

### **S.P.S. Eco Team Initiatives:**

We are very excited to share that SPS has received two grants to date to support our next phase of greening and shading our school property. We have received \$1000 from the Ministry of Education Speak Up Grant that helps our students to work and share their voice in our Environment, School Culture and Safe Schools Initiative. We have also received \$1000 from Metro stores to assist with the cross-curricular integration and learning that is part of our planting project. We have one more grant application to submit and we are awaiting feedback from a fourth source.

We are also pleased to share that Professor Bill Andrews from OISE, born and raised in Belgrave and who has renaturalized his farm will assist us in planning our future plantings to ensure we are considering appropriate native species to support and enhance our local biodiversity. Professor Andrews will also assist our students in science lessons as we explore soil types, species at risk, habitat studies and so forth. Mrs. Empson's Soar class is working on sustainability projects and a world-wide video time capsule to support our learning. Finally our Ecoteam will be learning about wiki's and glogs to update our Ecoteam reports on our school webpage. We are expecting this project to take 2 years to complete.



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### **Legion Public Speaking Contest:**

**Junior Public Speaking:** Seaforth Gym February 17th  
9:15 a.m.

**Intermediate Public Speaking:** February 17th Gym  
11:30 a.m.

**Snowdate: February 18th**  
**Legion Competition at Seaforth Legion: Saturday, February 26th, 12:30**



**Please call if  
your child(ren) are  
going to be  
absent from  
school**  
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### **PERSEVERANCE**

- Choose your commitments wisely
- Set goals and stick with them until completed
- Pace yourself, and take one step at a time
- Don't let doubts or tests blow you off course
- Stand by your friends and loved ones

#### **Nut Alert:**

**Please be aware that we have students attending our school that have severe allergies to nuts.**  
**Please do your part in helping to keep our school nut sensitive.**

**Thanks!!!**