

Grade 8 students at St. Sebastian Catholic School excel in annual essay contest



Chantelle Henriques, Dr. Maria Amelia Paiva, Wilson Carreiro

For six years the Federation of Portuguese Canadian Business and Professionals has sponsored an essay contest on the topic: “To me, being Portuguese-Canadian means...”; “Para mim, ser Portugues-Canadiano e...” St. Sebastian’s has been honoured with two winning entries in the Grade 7-8 category. Chantelle Henriques placed first in the Portuguese language category, and Wilson Carreiro won in the English language and Creativity categories. Each student received an RESP in the amount of \$500 from the award sponsors CIBC and Banco Santander Totta S.A. The scholarship awards were presented by Dr. Maria Amelia Paiva, the Consul General of Portugal, at the Portuguese Consulate on June 9, 2009. Our students’ success reflects the pride that the St. Sebastian community has in our Canadian, Portuguese and other international heritages. We are very proud of Wilson’s and Chantelle’s efforts.