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Here we are another month closer to spring and we have survived the recent blast of icy winter weather.

February 2 will see us waiting for Warton Willy to let us know if winter is over so keep your fingers crossed that he doesn't see his shadow.

February 14 of course is a great day to celebrate with flowers, chocolates and perhaps a special pillowcase for your sweetie. We have the kits ready for you to take home and spend about ½ an hour doing what you love then sneak the pillowcase onto his pillow before bedtime on the 14th. Grand children and special friends would enjoy these too and have even more fun if they get one in the mail. Not fattening and more fun than a card!

February 15 will see several staff members taking a day long training session on the new **My Label** software so be sure to have your questions ready for them when they are back in the shop. This latest software from Bernina will be invaluable for assisting you to create clothing patterns for the whole family. Stylish one of kind garments that fit properly will be easy to achieve when you use **My Label** software.

Please be sure to check the class calendar on the website as there are changes and additions made regularly. Using the website calendar gives us the advantage to easily present new classes on a regular basis and to add additional classes as needed. If you don't have internet access we will be happy to answer your questions about classes.

A fun new demo class has been added just in time for you get ideas on producing simple useful gifts for new babies that will be arriving this spring. Drop in on **February 23** from 10am – 12pm and let Doreen inspire your creativity. We have marvelous new flannels and cottons that cry out to be made into baby gifts!

2008 is Leap Year which gives all of us one extra day in February to fill with fun activities. So help us celebrate and give back to the community by dropping in to **"Sew**

a Block for Charity". We will have the kits and machines ready for you **on Friday February 29** once you complete a block we will give you a bonus of 15% off your fabric and notion purchases that one day only. The coffee will be on all day, we look forward to seeing all of you as you drop in and "Sew a Block for Charity" while you enjoy the company of friends.

We have received several new lines of fabric from some of our favourite designers. The spring lines from Jo Morton and the Paint Box series from Lonnie Rossi arrived recently. Soft delicate Purely Provence will inspire you to get busy with your spring projects. Heart of the Garden from Andover and Remember Me by Linda Quigley are two more wonderful lines you should ask to see the next time you drop in to visit us. The new Batik flannels in beautiful bright tones are just waiting to be fondled so take a look on the table in "The Pink Room" and just try to avoid reaching out and feeling the texture. Bet you can't resist touching them!

Something else that would fun to do is set up a class just for you and your friends. Select a project or technique, select an instructor, select a date and time then ask us if we can arrange it for you. No problem and no extra charges for this special service just regular class fees apply. We had several classes run this way in January and they have proved to be a big hit. The more lead time we have the easier it will be to fulfill your requests so think about special events that you could celebrate as you share a learning experience.

We are working on adding more photos to the website so take a look now and then to see if there is anything new. You never know if you will appear in living colour from a random snap shot in a class you have taken!

As you are visiting the shop this month be sure to ask about the sample sale coming up on **March 8**. A one day sale of a selection of the shop samples will be made available so plan to set aside that date to visit The Fabric Cottage.

Love from all of us at
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