



Dates to Remember 2016-2017

<u>October</u>	
6 & 7	Professional Learning Days – no classes
10	Thanksgiving – no classes
<u>November</u>	
11	Remembrance Day – no classes
25	Grades K-12 Parent Teacher Conferences/Professional Learning Day – no classes
<u>December</u>	
23	Last Day of First Term – full day
<u>January</u>	
9	Professional Learning Day – no classes
10	First Day of school for students
<u>February</u>	
24	Professional Learning Day – no classes
<u>March</u>	
6-10	March Break
31	Grades K-12 Parent Teacher Conferences/Professional Learning Day
<u>April</u>	
14	Good Friday – No Classes
17	Easter Monday – No Classes
28	Professional Learning Day – No Classes
<u>May</u>	
5	Provincial Subject Council – no classes
19	AEFNB & NBTA Meeting (Hampton Education Center only) – no classes
22	Victoria Day – No classes
<u>June</u>	
23	Last Day for students

Special THANK YOUs

Thank you to the members of the Sussex Fire Dept. who will be coming to the school to deliver a fire safety presentation for our K-3 students.



UPCOMING EVENTS IN OCTOBER

12th - K-Gr. 3 Students – Fire Safety Talk
11–14th – Kindergarten Registration for 2017-2018 (8:00am – 4:00 pm)
18th - PSSC Forum Meeting
18th – Hot lunch/milk due for November
19th - 7:15 Home & School meeting
26th – Pumpkin Man visit
31st – Home & School Hallowe'en Party

Kindergarten Registration Kindergarten Registration for the 2017-2018 school year will be held October 11 - 14, 2016 at all of the elementary schools of Anglophone South School District. Kindergarten attendance is compulsory for children who turn five years of age on or before December 31, 2017 though entry may be deferred for one year for those children who turn five between September 1 - December 31, 2017. Please bring the following documents to the school when registering: Birth Certificate, Medicare, and Immunization record. Kick Off to Kindergarten meeting will be held on Thursday, November 3 at 6:00 p.m. here at Apohaqui Elementary School.

AES PSSC for 2016-2017

Jesse Bell
Mariela Frits
Connie Koltusky
Jennifer Loughery
Jennifer Miller
Julie Soucy
Christy Hoyt
Jayne Bettie

The 2016/2017 AES Parent School Support Committee (PSSC) has been formed. Our PSSC this year consists of a member of the District Education Council (DEC) – Mr. Rob Alex, the Principal – Mrs. Bettie, a Staff Representative – Mrs. Hoyt, and six parent members. The role of the PSSC is to advise the Principal on education and policy issues, as well as to work with the principal on the development and evolution of the School Improvement Plan (SIP). The committee also communicates with the District Education Council on PSSC matters. The main objectives of the PSSC are to promote communication between the student families and the school, to encourage parental involvement within the school, and to focus on the collective needs of all students.



Battery Recycling Program

We will once again be running the Battery Recycling Program. For every 5 batteries that are brought in, the student will receive one ballot. At the end of the school year, one name will be drawn from all entries over the year and will be presented with a prize.

Home & School Update:

Welcome back parents and students to another GREAT year at AES.

Home and School has their first fundraiser under way - the catalogue campaign that came home last week.

Our first event will be the Halloween party being held Monday, October 31. If anyone would like to help out, please contact the school.

There is still time to join Home and School! Our next meeting will be October 19 at 7:15 pm. Hope to see you there !!

Literacy Minute

Reading Aloud – Family Fun! Interaction with a book can be a lot of fun. One of the best ways to ensure that kids are having a good time reading is to have fun with it yourself. There are many ways to help this happen.

Funny Voices: You can do it; squeaky voice for mouse and a deep voice for dad. The kids love it.

Chorus Read: Read the text together.

Echo Read: you read a phrase, and the child echoes it back

Gesture Broadly

Skype Read: if you have and use Skype, have a loved one Skype read so you can see each other.

Happy Reading Everyone!

'The Pumpkin Man'



will be visiting AES on Wednesday, October 26th. Each child will receive a pumpkin (75 ¢ each please) to take home. Some classes may also have special Art projects planned around/with the pumpkins as well. A special thank you to Ken Reicker who will bring us our pumpkins.

Perry Hill Farm Visit

Last week we got on the bus and went to the farm. We saw the baby calves. They were so cute! One calf was wearing a red jacket. He was just one day old. One cow was about to have a baby. Mr. Perry told us how the mikers work. The cows are milked twice a day. We all got a treat outside. It was ice-cream. Ice-cream is made with milk. The bus took us to see some Christmas trees. We learned how to plant seedlings. The bus took us to the other barn and we saw horses, cows, sheep, pigs, cats and rabbits. We sat on hay bales to eat our lunch. Our day at the farm was FUN !

Written by Grade 1 – Mrs. Ravn

October 31st Halloween Party

A dance and other special activities will be held on the afternoon of October 31st. Students are encouraged to bring costumes to school and to put them on after lunch. Healthy snacks will be provided to the students so there will be no need to send in extra treats. We all look forward to this special event!

Thanks again to the AES Home & School and parent volunteers for their support in this event.



Apohaqui Elementary School Chess Club

Chess is a popular worldwide activity that enhances math skills by using higher cognitive (thinking) skills such as critical thinking and problem solving skills. It is also a social activity that encourages patience, good sportsmanship and self-esteem.

Our AES Chess Club will be starting this week to prepare for the District Chess tournament which will be held in December this year instead of the spring as in past years. All students who already play chess are welcome to take part. We will hold a "How to Play Chess" club in the spring, depending on the numbers of interested students.

There are some resources in our school library and on the internet should you wish to help your child with their chess playing skills. The internet sites below give elementary level chess tutorials to help teach and explain the game from the simplest moves to the more complicated plays.

~ Mrs. Whitters, School Intervention Worker

www.chesscorner.com/index.html
www.chessvariants.com/chess4kids.dir/c4c-intro.html

Attendance Matters!

* Attendance matters as early as kindergarten. Studies show many children who miss too many days in kindergarten and first grade can struggle academically in later years. They often have trouble mastering reading by the end of third grade.

* Too many absent students can affect the whole classroom by slowing down instruction.

Please be aware of school start times (the first bell goes at 8:00 am) and completion times (Primary dismissal at 2:00 and Upper Elementary 2:15). Tardy students usually don't enter the classroom quietly – instruction can be disrupted; and leaving early is often difficult on the students and teacher.

To highlight the importance of attendance, we will acknowledge student Perfect Attendance each month of the year.

**Congratulations to the students
and to you, the parents, as well!
We recognize your efforts in getting
your child to school every day.**

PERFECT ATTENDANCE FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

Kristen A.	Hayden F.	Jaiden L.
Brianna A.	Hunter F.	Olivia L.
Jaden A.	Lucas F.	Kaitlyn M.
Jack B.	Miranda F.	Jacob M.
Jayden C.	Blake G.	Robert M.
Nevaeh C.	Leah G.	Parker M.
Joel C.	Zachary H.	Declan O.
Valerie C.	Avery H.	Dallas P.
Charlotte C.	Kennadi H.	Zachary S.
Dahlegha C.	Chloe H.	Landon T.
Adison C.	Cory H.	Dylan T.C.
Jack D.	Logan H.	Allison W.
Brooklyn D.	Luke H.	Kayden W.
Wyatt D.	Jadyn L.	
Brooks E.	Claire L.	
Felicia F.		

Checking in at the office helps us to ensure that we know when students are coming and going. It also allows teachers to better maintain student attention and keep more uninterrupted learning time for all.