



## March

- 4-8 March Break  
28 Parent Teacher Conferences/ Professional Learning Day – no classes  
29 Good Friday – no classes

## April

- 1 Easter Monday – no classes  
19 Professional Learning Day – no classes

## May

- 3 Provincial Subject Council Day – no classes  
17 AEFNB/NBTA Annual Meeting – no classes  
20 Victoria Day – no classes  
23-30 Provincial Assessments for Grades 2 & 4 Literacy and Grades 3 & 5 Math

## June

- 21 Last day of school

## Winter Carnival Theme Week

The week of Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> to March 1<sup>st</sup> will be our Winter Carnival week. Each day will have a theme and we encourage everyone to take part.

- Monday – Favourite T-Shirt Day  
Tuesday – Crazy Hair Day  
Wednesday – School Colours Day (Blue and Gray)  
Thursday – Backwards Day  
Friday – Sports Day

Please keep these themes in mind and we hope everyone will have some fun with it!

Parent volunteers may be required to help with activities on Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup>. Information regarding this will come home with your child the week prior. Thank you in advance!

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*Apohaqui Elementary is part of the Anglophone School District – South and is directly supported by the Hampton Education Centre.*

## AES School Calendars

We still have calendars available. They are \$10 a piece and a great conversation piece. Remember all proceeds go toward the AES playground refurbishment.



## School Closure? Delay of busses?

Your questions can be answered on local radio stations, on the ASD-S website, or . . .

- [http://twitter.com/ASD\\_South](http://twitter.com/ASD_South)
- Phone line (toll free): 1-855-535-7669 [SNOW]

## Celebrate notes . . .

The students were recognized as Star Readers for the month of January:

Angela Carhart, Michael Doyle-Chown, Kristen Aiton, Neavaeh Clark, Gavin Profit, Denton Landry, Vance Miller, Austin Currie, Emma Gillies, Savannah Shute, Tyler Aiton, Makailah Lewis, Aiden Warren, Morgan Profit, Mia Powell, Jake Landry, Maria McSorley, Maria McSorley, Kacey Hope, Brianna Huges, Brianna McLellan, Shayne deGooyer, Syerrah Landry, and Haley Paterson

## EMERGENCY Home & School Meeting!

Our Home & School Association, and all the special services it provides AES staff and students, is in jeopardy!

We need you!!

Wednesday,  
Feb. 6 @ 7:00 pm



## Skating Day

February 13<sup>th</sup> is Skating Day!

The Primary students will be arriving at the rink about 8:15 and the Upper Elementary at about 9:45.



Parents/grandparents are welcome to join us. The students enjoy skating with family and we can always use extra hands to put on and tie skates. I'm sorry, however, younger siblings cannot be on the ice surface during this designated school rental.

We have had a few pairs of skates donated to the school, so if your child has outgrown his/hers we may have a pair to offer. These will be available on a first-come-first-served basis.

Remember, all students are required to have helmets and skates to be on the ice. When transporting skates on buses, they should be in backpacks or kit bags (please no plastic bags as blades can cut through these and be a safety hazard).

This year we have a second Skating Day scheduled in March as well!



## Literacy Loft

By all reports, Literacy Week was a booming success this year. Thank you for your involvement both at the school and at home. It was nice to see so many parents involved in our Read-In. The kids had a great time and we had the opportunity to show how reading can be fun!

Some activities that students did at home over the week included:

- Helping by making up grocery lists with their parents.
- Writing notes to their friends, grandparents, or other family member.
- Reading bedtime stories to younger siblings, to their parent, or to their dog!
- Playing word games at home such as Junior Scrabble and Boggle.
- Sitting with a parent and working on word finds or crossword puzzles.

These activities all help in your child's language development, please keep it up!

**One of the activities during Literacy Week was a Story Chain. Each class had the opportunity to do some group writing and added a piece to a fictional story that was passed from class to class. Great job! Here is the final copy of our story . . .**

## Lilly's Adventure

This is a story about two little penguins...



Spike always bullied Lilly in their colony because poor Lilly doesn't look like the other penguins. She has a black belly and the rest have white bellies. Spike always snapped at Lilly

saying she is not a proper penguin. So Lilly decided to leave and wandered curiously to a small village named Apohaqui where she meets a gentle little girl named Grace. They become best friends.

Grace and Lilly decide to have a chalk club. They invite their friends to make beautiful pictures on the pavement. The chalk club made smiley faces, people, houses, hot air balloons, rainbows, princesses, birds, cows, and monster trucks. The chalk club creations were fantastic!

Things were going very well in Apohaqui until Spike decided to come looking for Lilly. He was sad and lonely. Spike missed Lilly very much.

"I miss you. Come back home." Spike cried. Lilly smiled and said, "No. I like being in Apohaqui and I like my friend Grace."

Spike said, "Can I move here too? Maybe I can learn to milk a cow."

Lilly said, "You can live here if you are nice to me. You could come to the chalk club with me and Grace."

They all played happily together. Spike was nice to Lilly and Grace. But the weather kept getting warmer and the penguins were feeling sick.

In order to make Spike and Lilly feel better, they went to Grace's house and filled the bathtub with cold water and ice cubes. Then Spike and Lilly jumped into the tub and they temporarily felt better. They knew they couldn't stay in Grace's bathtub all summer, so they decided to find a way home. Spike and Lilly rented an ice cream truck to drive back to their colony in the South Pole.

Grace felt sad that her friends were leaving. Spike and Lilly promised they would return in the winter. Grace started to feel better and waved goodbye to them. Finally, Spike and Lilly returned to the South Pole, they were good friends and Spike didn't bully Lilly any more.

THE END!

## Numeracy Week

February 18<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>

We will be Celebrating Math and Numbers during the week of February 18<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup>!

Events/activities will take place here at school and we will encourage home support as well. Information will come home regarding what we are doing at school and how you can get involved too.

To kick-off the events of the week, we are asking students to 'WEAR A NUMBER' on Monday.

This should get the week off to a great start!



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