

January

Happy New Year!



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January 2015 Newsletter

Macdonald Consolidated School 2015/16



Welcome to a New Year!

Please make listening to your radio part of your morning routine. We do not always receive email notification about late busses; however it is always mentioned on the radio. Please remember, if you have questions and/or comments, please call the school. We are part of Hampton Education Centre. For further information on weather related closures please see our school website or ASD-S (www.asd-snbcd.nb.ca)

We are looking for a volunteer to help with the fluoride program on Mondays. If you are interested please let the office know. Thanks

Literacy Week ~ January 25-29



As many of you are aware, Wednesday, January 27th, is **Family Literacy Day**. Literacy affects every aspect of our daily lives.

"Reading, writing, financial and digital literacy are all essential skills Canadians require to live a fully engaged life."
www.abclifeliteracy.ca

We at Macdonald Consolidated School strive to promote the literacy of our learners. Therefore, we are going to celebrate literacy for the entire week of January 25-29! Please check your child's communication log or homework book for more details soon.

Thank you for your support!

National Penguin Day, January 20th



Dress up like a penguin or wear your favorite penguin clothing for the day!

Dates to Remember:

- 04 JanPD – No School
- 05 Jan Students Back to School
- 05 Jan Cafeteria Re-opens
- 07 Jan Welcome to Kindergarten
- 13 Jan Home & School/PSSC Meeting
- 20 Jan National Penguin Day
- 27 Jan Family Literacy Day
- 29 Jan Twin Day
- 11 Feb Valentines Retro Dance
- 12 Feb Retro Day
- 29 Feb-4Mar.. Winter Carnival Week
- 7-11 Mar March Break – No School
- 17 Mar St. Pats Day (wear Green)
- 25 Mar Good Friday – No School
- 28 Mar Easter Monday – No School
- 31 Mar Movie Night (preK,-5)
- 31 Mar Parent/Teacher 3:30 – 6:30 pm
- 01 April Parent/Teacher 9:00 -11:00 am
- 21 April Spring Dance
- 29 April Hat Day
- 06 MayPD - No School
- 20 MayNo School
- 23 May Victoria Day – No School
- 27 May School Color Day
- 02 June Dance welcoming Gr 5 (includes Gr 5)
- 21 June Grad Dance
- 24 Jun Last Day for Students

Dates will be added as they arise.

Please join us on TWITTER (MacCSchool) for any updates on school closures or bus changes

Home & School Meetings

6:30 – 7:00 p.m.

PSSC Meetings

7:00 p.m.

Grade 8 Québec Trip News

We would like to remind parents and guardians of Grade 8 students that the next payment of \$100 for the Québec trip is due by January 20th.

Home & School News

The next **Home & School/PSSC meeting** will take place on Wednesday, January 13th at 6:30 p.m. in the school library. The Home & School would like to thank everyone who placed a cheese order and who sold and/or purchased tickets for the basket draws. These were successful fundraisers. Congratulations to the basket winners!

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL GRADES 2 & 5 PARENTS

Information Nights, regarding program selection for September 2016, will be held according to the following schedule.

The information will be provided on options for the **Grades 3 and 6 students:** English Prime Program, Early French Immersion Program and the Late French Immersion Program.

Parents/guardians are invited to whichever meeting they wish to attend.

PROGRAMS INFORMATION MEETINGS 2016

HAMPTON EDUCATION CENTER		Johanne Austin & Paul Smith	
Date	Time	Location	Snow Date
Tuesday, January 12, 2016	6:30 P.M.	Sussex Regional High School-Theater	Wednesday, January 13, 2016 at Sussex Regional High School-Theater
Thursday, January 14, 2016	6:30 P.M.	Wesleyan Church	Monday, January 25, 2016- Wesleyan Church
Monday, January 18, 2016	6:30 P.M.	Hampton High School- Theater	Thursday, January 21, 2016 at Hampton High School-Theater

Thank you!

Thank you to the Parish of Kingston for allowing us the use of their building to hold our Christmas Concert.

Also, thank you to everyone who joined us for the MCS Christmas Concert!

A Special thanks to Mrs. Stoddard and Mrs. Hill for all their hard work in preparation for this day.

Winter Safety

While the winter brings fun opportunities for play and exercise, it is important to remember to play safe and use extra caution when sliding, skating, etc. And a reminder that the snow stays on the ground!

Also we would also like to remind parents to please make sure your children are dressed properly for weather conditions. The cutoff temperature for an indoor recess is -20.

MCS & the Peninsula Food Bank

We would like to extend our thanks to all those who bought tickets, gave cash donations and items for needy families as well as supplies for the Peninsula Food Bank.

Cafeteria News

The Cafeteria re-opens Tuesday January 5th, serving snacks at recess and lunch at noon. Just an FYI to parents that if your child does not like the daily special on our menu we can make a special pre-order upon request (within reason). Order has to be made before snack break.

Please remember the cafeteria is open Tuesday - Friday.

Congratulations

The winner of the Christmas Dinner Basket was Caley Ross.

Community Events/Notices

A Huge thanks to the entire community that made Christmas a success for many families



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Our School Needs You! Volunteer as an Elf Reading Mentor

New Brunswick adult reading levels are among the lowest in Canada. Here, more than half of adults struggle to read and write well. Based on research that indicates difficulties with learning to read emerge early, Elementary Literacy Inc. is collaborating with schools, families and communities to support reading success among more students.

Our programs match grade two children with volunteer reading mentors for reading together, one-on-one, after school. Volunteer this school year. All it takes is a commitment of one hour, twice a week for ten weeks!

Help us write a brighter story for New Brunswick, one page at a time. Help us
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Learn more and register for training at elfnb.com or call **1.855.898.2533**. We can't wait to hear from you!