Rothesay Elementary School
Newsletter June 2019

CELEBRATE WHAT’S AWESOME!

We are challenged to share with others the value of recognizing the good and seeing the positive. Look for the good in people and search for the positive in all situations.

Recognize and celebrate what’s awesome in your life!

Thank you!!!

We would like to thank all volunteers, including any students that helped out this year with delivering our programs. Without volunteers these programs could not run. One special project the Home and School takes on is looking after our library. It takes hundreds of hours by many dedicated people to keep our library running and available.

On that note, the last day to check books out of the library for the year will be June 3rd and the last visits to the library will be on June 7th which means all library books need to be returned on that day.

Thank you for your cooperation with the library deadline!

Important Dates!

- **June 14th** is the last day for milk and hot lunch program.
- **June 21st** - is the last day of school for students

More details to follow about dismissal time for this day.

Term Three Report Cards

Term Three Report Cards will be released at the end of the school day on Friday, June 21st.

This report card will explain your child’s progress throughout the final term of the 2018-2019 school year.

Your child’s next year’s teacher will also be listed at the bottom of the report card. We will not be able to make any changes to class lists after report cards go out due to the hard work it takes teachers to create these balanced classes. A 2019-2020 school calendar will also be sent home with the report card.

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### Mark Your Calendar!

- **June 1st**: RES Fun run at 9 a.m.
- **June 5th**: K Cosman and K Hamilton Field trip to the Dairy Farm.
- **June 6th**: K Langille and K MacGougan Field trip to the Dairy Farm.
- **June 11th**: Grade 1 Vey and 1 Hannah have field trip today.
- **June 12th**: Grade 2 classes have a field trip to NB Museum.
- **June 14th**: Grade 3FI classes 4 Kueppers, 4/5 McGraw and 5Chowdhry have field trips today.
- **June 18th**: 3Kitchen, 3/4 Urquhart and 4Kievrin field trip.
- **June 19th**: 5 Bryden and 5 Dunlop field trip.
- **June 21st**: 8:45 am- 9:45 am Grade 5 DARE graduation and Grade Five Farewell celebration.
- **Last Day of Classes for Students and release of Term Three Report Cards.

### Grade Five Farewell

Our Grade Five students are moving to their Middle Schools and we want to honour them through a special event. Our Grade Five Farewell event will be held on **Friday, June 21st at 8:45 am.** We invite Grade Five students and their parents to attend. Students will receive certificates, and enjoy cake outside along with family members after the Farewell Ceremony and DARE graduation. The ceremony in the gym should be over by 9:45 am.

**DARE - Drug Abuse Resistance Education**

Grade Five students will finish their DARE Course with Constable Krystal Daley from the Rothesay Police Force shortly. On June 21st at 8:45 am they will celebrate the end of the course with a DARE Celebration where essays will be read and t-shirts presented. Parents are welcome to attend. Our Grade 5 Farewell ceremony will occur after the DARE Graduation.

We thank the Kennebecasis Valley Police Force for sponsoring this important program.

### School Supplies for Next School Year!

Two years ago, our teachers purchased all the school supplies for all of our students. We surveyed every parent two years ago, and there was a large percentage of parents who wanted us to purchase school supplies. We are planning to do this again for the upcoming 2019-2020 school year. The fee for school supplies will be 40.00. You can pay the fee on the cashless schools link on our school website. If you feel you cannot afford this fee you are welcome to purchase school supplies for your child yourself. Please check with your child’s teacher (when you know who your child’s teacher will be) as to what supplies your child will need if you wish to purchase them yourself. All fees must be paid in full by June 21st. Families are only required to provide the following:

- 1 package of large resealable bags (like Ziplock bags)
- 2 boxes of Kleenex
- Indoor sneakers, back pack and lunch bag

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**September 3rd - First Day of Classes of the 2019-2020 School Year**

**HAPPY SUMMER VACATION!**

Have a safe and fabulous summer vacation from all the staff at Rothesay Elementary!!
Many families will be on the road during the holiday season visiting relatives or enjoying time off from school and work. On these adventures, it is important to remember that language learning goes beyond the four walls of a classroom or a therapy room. Whether by trains, planes, or automobiles, family vacations are a great way to generalize language skills to new environments. Travel also bonds families together, raises cultural awareness, teaches organization and problem-solving skills, and is just a whole lot of fun! Here are some ways to make a holiday trip not only enjoyable but a learning experience.

Involve your child in the preparation – There is a lot to do before a big trip. Have your child work on following directions while packing (“Put the green shirt in the suitcase before you put in the blue jeans.”) Also, involve your child in the planning! You can target social conversation by talking about preferences with your plan (“Do you like to go to ice skating or snowboarding?" “I like skating better because...”)

Talk, talk, and then talk some more! – Describe everything around you, whether it is the architecture, the cars on the road, or the decorations on a tree. By describing your environment, you are providing a language model for your child that helps develop sentence structure and vocabulary. To target social conversation, discuss feelings as your family moves through its adventure (e.g. “I was really excited to see my cousins,” or “I did not like the tour because my feet were tired.”).

Sequence events – Before your start your endeavor, go over the sequence of events to expect. For example, when going to the airport, review the steps that it takes to board the plane (e.g. “First the taxi takes us to the terminal, then we get out and go to the desk to check our bags, then we wait in line and go through the scanner, finally we go to the gate and get on the plane.”). You can also sequence your itinerary (e.g. “First we are going to the Statue of Liberty, then Ellis Island, and then Rockefeller Center to see the tree!”). Ask your child what the sequence of events was after the day is over. Sequencing not only aides in executive functioning and story comprehension, it can also help children who struggle with transitions to feel comfortable with a plan. Use pictures to help visualize the steps if needed.

Write about the experience – After the day is done, work on writing and memory skills by logging events in a journal. The child can write about some of the items he/she saw or a favorite part of the adventure. For struggling writers, encourage drawing pictures, provide a word bank of key words to use, and have a discussion on what the child is going to write before he/she starts putting pen to paper. Journaling is also a great way to look back at your vacation and remember experiences, like a photograph with words.

Make it a sensory experience – There are many sights, sounds, smells, tastes, and textures in this world to explore. Children learn through their senses, so make sure to give them opportunities to immerse themselves in your trip, such as touching a sting ray in an aquarium touch tank, tasting a new dish, or listening to the animals in a new forest. Make sure to have a discussion with your child about what he/she experienced.

Apply it to what your child is already learning in school – Use travel as another instructional tool. Museums are great places to learn history. Zoos, aquariums, and botanical gardens are great places to learn biology.
The staff of Rothesay Elementary School would like to thank our generous sponsors and RES community who will be participating and helping with the RES Fun Run taking place Saturday, June 1st. We are excited that the community has an opportunity to come together and participate in this event. This event is one of several of our fund raisers this year in which proceeds are going to the purchase of materials for our sensory room in memory of Mary Beth Aasen.

We would like to acknowledge our generous Fun Run Sponsors who include:

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