

F.E.S. Family Connections

February 22nd-26th

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<p>Monday, Feb. 22nd</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Movement/dance with the seniors (2 Blanchard/2 O'Brien) ○ Yearbook photos ○ Healthy Lunch website open ○ Mad Science after school 	<p>Thursday, Feb. 25th</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Chess club ○ Healthy Lunch website open ○ DEC information meeting at Saint John Education Centre 6-8pm
<p>Tuesday, Feb. 23rd</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Upper Elementary Choir ○ Dress as your favourite Harry Potter character (or house colour) ○ Healthy Lunch website open 	<p>Friday, Feb. 26th</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Grade 2 Choir ○ Grade 3 and 6 Registration forms are due ○ Healthy Lunch Website closes
<p>Wednesday, Feb. 24th</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Drama at lunch ○ Pink Shirt Day ○ 25 cent Sock Hop at recess for K-2 students and at lunch for gr. 3-5 students ○ Healthy Lunch website open 	<p>Upcoming Dates:</p> <p>Feb. 29th-March 4th- Winter Carnival (more details to follow)</p> <p>March 3rd- TNB Young Company- The Space Between</p> <p>March 7th-11th – March Break</p> <p>March 24th- Family Fun Day planning meeting</p>

Information Items:

-Registration forms for grade 3 and grade 6 are due this Friday, Feb. 26th.

-Please remember that **Wednesday, Feb. 24th is Pink Shirt Day** and we encourage everyone to wear pink to show that we are all working together to prevent bullying in our schools, in our communities and online. We will be hosting a \$0.25 sock hop at recess for interested kindergarten to grade 2 students and at lunch for grades 3-5 will all proceeds going to Kids Help Phone.

Congratulations to the following students whose posters were chosen as winners for the Knights of Columbus Alcohol Awareness & Drug Awareness Campaign:

❖ **Alcohol Awareness-** Amelie Blanton , 2nd place Jessica Doody , 3rd place Allison Cyr

❖ **Drug Awareness** 1st place Lauren Graceffa, 2nd place Marin MacPherson, 3rd place Adam Ross
 Lauren's poster was selected as the first place winner in our area and will be sent on to the regional competition.

- Thank you for your assistance with morning drop off. This week children were quickly getting out of vehicles and parents were waiting until the vehicle in front of them proceeded before moving along.

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-The students have been very excited about our **Harry Potter** themed library. On Tuesday, **Feb. 23rd students are welcome to come dressed as their favourite Harry Potter character or in their favourite house colour** (Gryffindor-Red; Hufflepuff- Yellow; Slytherin- Green; Ravenclaw- Blue). Thank you again to our wonderful librarians!

-We are still in need of 3 additional parents to assist with our **Safe Arrival** program. If you are interested in helping out or learning more about it, please contact the Home and School at fairvalehomeandschool@gmail.com.

-Our **healthy lunch website is now open for food period #6!** We will be taking orders until FRIDAY, FEB 26. We have a new vendor on our list as well! If paying by cash or cheque, please have payments to the school NO LATER THAN 10am Friday Feb. 26th. Please place your child's order at <http://www.fairvalehands.ca/healthylunch>. The new menu is as follows:

- Monday- Cheese Pizza (Papa John's)
- Tuesday- DQ Wrap or Lasagna
- Wednesday – Hamburger or Chicken Caesar Salad
- Thursday- Cheese Pizza (Angelo's)
- Friday- 5 Chicken Poppers & a Garlic Parmesan Breadstick (Papa John's), Taquitos (Jungle Jim's)

Papa John's is on the district approved hot lunch suppliers and meets the Healthy Lunch criteria. No artificial colours, additives, preservatives, trans-fats, fillers, TVP, or MSG are used. The **chicken poppers** are made of premium all white chicken breast which is dusted in seasonings and baked. (no peanuts, tree nuts, fish or shellfish). The **pizza** is made with high protein flour with sauce from fresh, vine-ripened tomatoes and 100% low-fat Mozzarella cheese.

If you require specific nutritional information, please email me at Bonnie.Hierlihy@nbed.nb.ca.

-Thank you to Krystal Ridgeway for volunteering to be our new Healthy Lunch coordinator. Krystal has a daughter in grade 3 and a son in grade 4.

-Our **Family Fun Night** is being moved to a **Family Fun Day** this year. Instead of being a two hour event on a Friday evening, it will be a four hour event (10-2) on a Saturday which will give parents a bit more flexibility on when you come and how long you remain. Please mark **Saturday, June 4th** in your calendar! A planning meeting for all interested parents will take place on **Thursday, March 24th** from 7-8 in the conference room.

-Our Home and School group has partnered with Mabel's Labels as a fundraiser. It's simple! Click on the link <http://www.campaigns.mabelslabels.com> and select Fairvale Elementary School. A percentage of all purchases will be donated back to the school.

- District Education Council (DEC) elections are coming up in May and the DEC will host its last information evenings for potential candidates at the Saint John Education Centre, 490 Woodward Ave., Donaldson Room on Thursday, Feb. 25th from 6-8pm.

--Our weekly **Family Connections** are also posted on our school website under the **Synrevoice** tab.