F.E.S. Family Connections

January 18th-22nd

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Thursday, January 21st
 Chess club begins! (K-2 in Mrs. O'Brien's room and Gr. 3-5 in the library) Skating continues for 2B, 2 O'B, 2 W, K O, KM, K R/V, 4 J and 4 MacG Grade 4 Activity Stations (4J & 4 M) Home and School Meeting @ 7pm Healthy Lunch Website Open
Friday, January 22nd
 Healthy Lunch Orders paid by cash or cheque are due by 9am Grade 1 Activity Stations (1K & 1C) Grade 2 Choir Healthy Lunch Website closes at 9pm for those paying by Paypal
Upcoming Dates:
January 25 th – Student Led Clubs begin January 27 th - National Literacy Day January 27 th - FES Wellness Evening 6:15-7:15 January 28 th - Kick off to kindergarten (3:30pm & 5:30pm sessions) January 30 th - Winter Wellness Day @ Mactaquac Provincial Park (see attached poster) February 4 th - PSSC meeting

Information Items:

-Please note the change in time for our **FES Wellness Evening** on January 27th. We realize that many of our primary students go to bed around 7:30 so our evening will end at 7:15. This event will highlight our new Ends Policy (goal) "To provide opportunities for staff to learn about mental health issues in children and to promote school and district wide initiatives that promote mental fitness". Please come and see the many great things we are doing to support this! There are sessions and displays on Mindful Meditation, K-2 Yoga, Brain Bikes, Nutrition, Go Noodle, Body Breaks, Sensory Room & Sensory Circuit, Classroom Fidgets, Self-Regulation, and Musical Meditation. We intentionally scheduled this event on National Family Literacy Day and will have one station dedicated to literacy. Drop by our camping themed literacy session to see how family wellness can improve by "increasing the family fun factor: making a point to enjoy each other". Next Friday, please expect to receive a brochure with an overview of sessions.

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- -The Regional Drama Fest has been rescheduled for May. As a result, our Snow White cast will be rehearsing once a week only until after Easter.
- -The **Healthy lunch website** will open tomorrow morning at 10am for Food Period #5. Cash and cheque orders are due by 9am Friday, Jan. 22nd. For those paying by Paypal, orders will be accepted until Friday, January 22nd at 9pm. We are in need of parent volunteers to pick up lunches at 11:45 on Tuesdays and Wednesdays at Cochrans for two classes that eat early because of medical needs. Up until this point, Cochran's has been able to accommodate two deliveries but it is no longer possible based on their staffing. Thank you, in advance, for your assistance with this. If you can assist, please email me at Bonnie.Hierlihy@nbed.nb.ca.
- -We received 39 Student led club and 46 Leader In Training applications. Our 7 Habits Teacher Committee will be reviewing the applications and making decisions on approved clubs Monday after school. Students will have an opportunity to sign up for clubs on Wednesday, Jan. 20th with clubs beginning the week of January 25th.
- -Our first Superstore sponsored pancake breakfast will be for kindergarten students on Wednesday, January 20th.
- -Our "Me to We" Team will be overseeing a clothing drive for the Syrian Refugees arriving in our area. If you have clothing that your family has outgrown, please send it in and we will ensure that it is donated to families. Clothing for children of all ages and adults will be graciously accepted. Together we can help make a difference[®] We will continue to collect clothing until Friday, January 29th.
- -The Department of Education has provided a new provincial LGBTQ Inclusive Education Resource for each school. There is valuable information for administrators, educators, parents & guardians, and older students. The "Information and Resource for Parents and Guardians" section was uploaded to our website this afternoon and can be found under "Parent Resources". If you are interested in viewing the entire document electronically, please visit http://www2.gnb.ca/content/gnb/en/departments/education/k12/content/lgbtq.html.
- -The next Home and School Meeting is on Thursday at 7pm. If you plan to attend and have anything to add to the agenda, please contact the executive at Fairvalehomeandschool@gmail.com.
- -Please note that we are part of the "Hampton Education Centre". During inclement weather, Anglophone South district personnel will decide to close the entire district, delay buses in the entire district, or within a specific Education Centre (Hampton, Saint John, Saint Stephen).
- --Our weekly **Family Connections** are also posted on our school website under the **Synrevoice** tab.