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Monday, November 14th	Thursday, November 17th		
 Diversity and Respect Week Open Gym-Gr. 1 Grade 4/5 Basketball Game 1 Celtics vs. Nets Game 2 Raptors vs. Warriors 	 Open gym Gr. 4 PSSC Meeting at 7pm 		
 Tuesday, November 15th Open Gym Gr. 2 Grade 3 Rubber Chicken Basketball Game 1 Hawks vs. Oilers Game 2 Blues vs Stars 	 Friday, November 18th Open Gym Gr. 5 Gr. 1 Activity Stations- 1K & 1McN 		
Wednesday, November 16th	Upcoming Dates:		
 Open Gym Gr. 3 Grade 2 Activity Stations- 2 B & 2 O'B Chess Club 10:15-10:45 F.E.S. Family Pizza Day at Papa John's (any order placed online using promo code "Fairvale" will result in the school receiving 20% of each sale) 	 Nov. 21st-first term report cards distributed Nov. 22nd- Gr. 1, 3 and 6 Program Info Night (more details below) Nov. 23rd-24th –Scholastic Book Fair Nov. 25th-Parent Teacher Interviews Nov. 28th Student Led Clubs begin Nov. 28th- Children's Paint Party with Mrs. Russell (2:35-4:15) Nov. 29th- Relaxation colouring with our senior friends Nov. 30th- We Day in Halifax Nov. 30th- Adult Paint Party with Mrs. Russell 		

Information Items:

- Diversity and Respect Week begins on Monday in all New Brunswick schools as part of a provincial effort to support a safe, welcoming and affirming school environment for all students. At Fairvale Elementary, we will have special video announcements, will be sharing children's literature that teach about diversity and challenge gender stereotypes. We will also be spreading gratitude and engaging in random acts of kindness.
- -Student Led clubs will start the week of Nov. 28th. On Wednesday, we will be informing those who applied to lead clubs whether their club was approved based on their application and whether their clubs will run the first round of student led clubs or the second round in late January.

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-We are very pleased with our grade two provincial reading assessment results from last spring. 93.2% of our students scored at appropriate or above whereas provincially 73.8% were at appropriate or above and 75.9% at the district level. Of the 93.2% who were at appropriate or above, 39.7% attained strong achievement. The percentage of strong achievement at the district and provincial level were 23.4% and 21.9% respectively. F.E.S. has strong teachers, engaged, motivated students and supportive families who work together to achieve excellence!

-Thank you to those parents who have volunteered to assist at the Scholastic Bookfair on Nov. 23rd and 24th. At this point, we have a few parents scheduled for long periods of time. We are still looking for more helpers especially from 1:30-2:30 each day, from 4-7 on Nov. 24th (during Parent Teacher time), and Friday morning (Nov. 25th) from 9-11. Attached please find the class visitation schedule as well as parent volunteer schedule. Perhaps some of you may be available for your own children's class visits. If you are able to assist, please email me at Bonnie. Hierlihy@nbed.nb.ca indicating when you are available.

-18 grade 5 students and 6 chaperones will be attending We Day Atlantic in Halifax on Nov. 30th. We received tickets to this 'invite only' event because of our work and commitment to the local and global communities. (The last two years we were one of only two elementary schools in Atlantic Canada invited.)

WE Day is an annual "youth empowerment" event organized by <u>WE Charity</u>, (formerly known as <u>Free the Children</u>). The event started in Toronto in 2007 and is now held in cities across Canada, the United States, and the UK. WE Day motivates youth to take action on local and global issues. WE Day events feature speeches and performances by global leaders, social activists and public figures. For more information, please visit www.freethechildren.com

Although the event tickets are free, we have to cover the cost of the chartered bus (Optimum Ride), accommodations, and meals. Each family is contributing \$100 and we have secured \$1250 in donations from Vision Coaching, Vision Legal Recruiting, Live Big Coaching, AlCon Electrical, Shadow Lawn, Evolving Solutions, Darling Real Estate and a private family donation. A special shout out to Liam Veale and his family for almost single handedly securing all corporate donations.

-Please see the information below from the office of the Superintendent:

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL GRADES K, 2 & 5 PARENTS / GUARDIANS Information Nights, regarding program selection for September 2017, will be held according to the following schedule. Iinformation will be provided on options for the Grades 1, 3 and 6 students: English Prime Program, Early French Immersion Program (Gr 1. and Gr. 3 entries) and the Late Gr. 6 French Immersion Program. Parents of children who are currently enrolled in Gr.5 of the Early Immersion program do not need to attend as your children will be continuing the immersion program in middle school.

Parents/guardians are invited to whichever meeting they wish to attend. The information presented will be the same at all meetings.

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HAMPTON EDUCATION CENTER			
Date	Time	Location	"Snow" Date
Wednesday, Nov.16, 2016	6:30 P.M.	Sussex Regional High School- Theater	Thursday, Nov. 17, 2016 at Sussex Regional High School- Theater
Monday, Nov. 21, 2016	6:30 P.M.	Kennebecasis Valley High School- Theater	Tuesday, Nov. 22, 2016 at Kennebecasis Valley High School- Theater
Wednesday, Nov. 23, 2016	6:30 P.M.	Hampton Middle School- Theater	Thursday, Nov. 24, 2016 at Hampton Middle School- Theater

A coloured pamphlet entitled "Everyone at their best: Learning French as a Second Language" will be sent home on Monday with Kindergarten, Gr. 2 and Gr. 5 students.

-The Christmas parade is only two weeks away and we have a great deal of work to prepare our award winning float. Please see the schedule of events below from our float coordinator:

Saturday Nov 12 at 1:00: Construction. Working on the float at the Pierces. Working on Lucy's stand, figuring out where to place the trees, finishing Snoopy's dog house and many other prep jobs that need to be done.

What to bring: Drill, hammer, tape measure, pencil

And remember: even if you only signed up for one job (costumes, construction or decorating) you are always welcome to come out for ANY work opportunities!

Next **Saturday (Nov 19)** is a big day. On this day we will be finishing up all the big items on the float and prepping the final details, doing lights, starting to decorate etc. We try to get as much done as we can on this day to make the week leading up to the parade as smooth as possible.

Evening of **Friday, Nov 25**. This is one of the biggest and most fun (and cold!!) times of the entire parade calendar. This is when it all comes together. All those last minute details that can't be done until, well, the last minute, are all done on this night.

These last few weekends are really 'all hands on deck'. We need people to help hang lights, run wires, touch up paint, decorate, lug, build. So any time that you can give in these last two weeks are greatly appreciated!

- November Paint Parties at FES

Adult Party: Family Ornament (see example attached)

Where: FES Library

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When: Wednesday November 30th at 7-9pm

What: Come paint a festive piece for your house and adorn it with your family name, or

make it as a gift. Painted in acrylic on 16x20 ready to hang canvas.

Cost: \$35

RSVP with Jennifer Russell (Mrs. Russell, our music teacher) at <u>russell.jennifer@live.ca</u> (please note .ca). Payment required to hold your spot due by Monday November 28th. Five Dollars from each seat sold is donated back to the school.

There will also be a children's paint party after school at 2:35-4:15 on Monday November 28th painting a skating Penguin on a 11x14 canvas. Cost of this painting party is \$25. RSVP and payment due by Friday November 25. \$3 from each seat sold is donated back to the school.

- Nov. 16th is F.E.S. Family Pizza Day at Papa John's (any order placed online using promo code "Fairvale" will result in the school receiving 20% of each sale). As an added bonus, anyone using the "Fairvale" promo will receive 25 Papa Points to their online account the next day that can be used for a free large pizza anytime in the next 30 days.
- -Our next P.S.S.C. meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 17th at 7pm. We would love to expand our membership so please email me at <u>Bonnie.Hierlihy@nbed.nb.ca</u> to get involved. The PSSC assists the Principal in an advisory role. The committee addresses the broad issues related to the education of all students in the school, with the goal of enhancing student learning.
- Please follow our school on Twitter @FairvaleFalcons.