F.E.S. Family Connections

October 19th-23rd, 2020

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What is Happening:

- o **Monday, Oct. 19th-** Photo retake day
- o Monday, Oct. 19th- Friday, Oct. 23rd- kindergarten registration continues
- o Monday, Oct. 26th- Deadline for placing school sock orders
- o **Thursday**, Oct. 29th- Photos for Remembrance Day collage/video are due
- o **Friday, Oct. 30th** No School for students; professional learning for staff
- o Saturday, Oct. 31st- Halloween

Information Items:

- School sock orders will continue to be accepted online at School Cash Online until Monday, Oct. 26th. These premium blend sock (80% Polypropylene, 12% Nylon, 3% Lycra, and 5% Elastic) are available in two F.E.S. designs.
- o It is hard to believe that we are planning for **next year's kindergarten registration** when we are just getting started with this year's group of learners. Due to COVID-19 we are attempting to have as many parent register on-line as possible as this will minimize the amount of time parents need to be at the school. **Registration will continue until Friday**, **October 23rd**. Please see the attached information sheet. Please pass this information on to friends and neighbours who have children born in 2016 who may not currently have children in school.
- Halloween is supposed to be a fun and joyful holiday. But for almost 500,000 children, it can be a scary time of year and not because of ghosts and goblins. Although Halloween will be different this year due to the pandemic, you can still #ShineATealLight to support kids with food allergy. Food allergy can make treats tricky to navigate. Potential risk of a reaction means that many kids are left out of one of the year's most exciting holidays. We can make Halloween a safer, more inclusive holiday by shining a teal light on the issue! Teal has become the recognized colour for food allergy. Show your neighbourhood that you have allergy-friendly treats and toys on Halloween for children by replacing your regular porch light with a teal bulb, or by displaying other sources of teal light on your front porch.
- Attached is the updated school calendar sent to families by ASD-S yesterday. The
 Professional Learning Day originally scheduled for February 1, 2021 has been rescheduled
 to Friday, October 30, 2020. Class will now be held on February 1, 2021.
- For the last number of years, our grade 3 Fl classes have been organizing and facilitating the school-wide **Remembrance Day Assembly** and this year will be no different except it will be done virtually! In the next few weeks, students will be practicing songs of remembrance and peace, preparing artwork as well as discussing Remembrance Day. Here is where we need your assistance. We would love for students

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who participate in Sparks, Brownies, Cubs, Scouts, Cadets, etc. to come to school on Tuesday, November 10th, the day of the virtual assembly, wearing their uniform. It is wonderful to recognize the students who take part in these activities. As well, we are asking for photos of family members or family friends who have served, or currently serve, or serve as volunteers in the following domains: police, firefighter, military, reserves, cadets (air, army, sea). They may be photos of the members themselves, or photos of your student with these members. The purpose of the photo is twofold: we will be continuing our tradition of creating a bulletin board collage of photos of all our loved family and friends who served or are currently serving. Also, we will be scanning these photos to create a video. If possible, please send a copy (or digital copy) of the original photo to school with the student's name and classroom (so that we will know who to return the photos to), as we are sure some photos are precious. If you cannot copy the photo or send it digitally, when you send the photo in, please include a note asking for your original back. That way we can copy here at school and send it back with your student. The bulletin board is school-wide, so labeling the photos is very important, as well as identifying whether or not you are sending the original and need it copied. We ask that photos be submitted by Thursday, October 29th to allow us time to create the bulletin board display and video. If you have any questions, or would like clarification, please contact us via email (francine.beaulieu@nbed.nb.ca), or call the school at 847-6206 and we will return your call as soon as we possibly can.

- Our school day officially begins at 8:05. If you are driving your child (or children), please drop them off between 7:40 and 8:05. After 8:05, they are considered tardy and missing instruction. Thank you to our Parent School Support Committee for purchasing the new two-sided signs for our drop off zones. Anyone who arrives after 8:05 needs to entry through the main lobby doors.
- Individuals who have travelled to the Moncton or Campbellton regions since October 9 must follow the **updated guidelines** below for a period of **14 days** from the day they returned to our region. This no longer applies to others in the same household or those who hosted individuals from those regions. This only applies to the individual who has travelled and does not apply to other members of the same household. It is recommended that members of the household self-monitor and get tested if they develop any symptoms of COVID-19.
 - Students in Grades K-12 are required to wear a mask on a school bus, even when sitting with a sibling or alone.
 - For students in Grades K-8, masks are required at all times when at school, including outside, except when they are sitting at a desk working silently, in play during sports activities and physical education class, or eating. Students should remain 2 metres apart when eating.