# **F.E.S. Family Connections**

September 19th-23rd, 2022

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Monday, September 19 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday, September 22nd
<ul> <li>National Day of Mourning for the passing of the Queen- No School</li> </ul>	
Tuesday, September 20 <sup>th</sup>	Friday, September 23rd
<ul> <li>School photo orders due</li> <li>First Day of Healthy Lunch program</li> <li>Visual screener permission due</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Terry Fox Walk- Toonie for Terry</li> <li>Student Fee payment due</li> </ul>
Wednesday, September 21st	Upcoming Dates:
	<ul> <li>Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>- Lock down practice</li> <li>Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>- Volunteer forms due</li> <li>Sept. 27th- Photo retakes</li> <li>Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>- Orange Shirt Day</li> <li>Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup>- First Day of Fall running club (gr. 3)</li> <li>Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>- First day of Lego Club (gr. 1)</li> <li>Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>- Off Site Evacuation</li> <li>Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>- Fall running club (gr. 4)</li> <li>Oct. 6<sup>th</sup>- First day of Chess Club (gr. 5)</li> <li>Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>- Fall running club (gr. 5)</li> </ul>

#### Information Items:

- Photography Flewwelling will be here to do photo retakes on September 27<sup>th</sup>.
- The **Rainbows program** will be offered this fall, beginning in October. Rainbows is an international not-for-profit organization that fosters emotional healing among children grieving a loss or life altering event. The curriculum is designed to assist children grieving a death, divorce, separation, or any other painful transition in their family within a safe supportive environment with a small group of peers. If you feel your child could benefit from participating in this program or if you have questions, please contact our guidance counsellor, Mrs. Kerry Casey at 847-6304 or kerry.casey@nbed.nb.ca . A flyer with more information (including a registration form) is attached.
- Healthy lunch starts next week for those who ordered.
- Recess is a crucial and necessary component of child development, so our children go outside to play at recess and lunch, even when it is wet or cold. Outdoor recess provides opportunities for free play, talking with friends, access to nature, fresh air, and room to move their bodies. Please ensure your children are dressed appropriately for the weather and send an extra set of all-weather school clothes that stays at school.
- Our only **afterschool pickup location** is on the playground side of the building.
- Please pay student fees of \$45 per child through your School Cash Online account at <u>http://asd-s.schoolcashonline.com</u> by September 23<sup>rd</sup>. If you require a payment plan, please reach out to me at <u>Bonnie.Hierlihy@nbed.nb.ca</u>

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- Deadline to order your F.E.S. Busy Family Calendar is today. Orders need to be made through School Cash Online, at <u>http://asd-s.schoolcashonline.com</u> The direct link is: <u>https://asd-s.schoolcashonline.com/Fee/Details/33614/193/False/True</u>
- If you have not returned the permission form for the **visual screening** (Rothesay EYE) for your child, please do so on Tuesday. It was sent home earlier this week on pink paper.
- There are many **volunteer opportunities** for parents and guardians. Please see the **volunteer form** attached. A hard copy will be sent home on Tuesday.
- The **RTIPPA (Right to Information and Protection of Privacy)**, **Student information, Early Closure, and allergy awareness forms** were due earlier this week. Please return them if you have not yet done so.
- Our first fire drill went very well with all students and adults out of the building in 1 minute 42 seconds. Our first lock down practice will be on Monday, September 26<sup>th</sup>. Our Off-Site Evacuation to True Life Church will take place on October 5<sup>th</sup>.
- We are looking for a few parents to join our Parent School Support Committee (PSSC). If you are interested in volunteering for this valuable committee, please email me at <u>Bonnie.Hierlihy@nbed.nb.ca</u>. The PSSC provides advice, feedback, and direction to the principal and school administration on school policies, partnerships within the community, maintaining a positive learning environment, supporting the language and culture of the school, and planning for school. We meet six times through the school year, with each meeting lasting less than an hour and a half.
- Please report your child's absence(s) using the **Safe Arrival program** (any of these three convenient methods):
  - Using your mobile device, download and install the SchoolMessenger app from the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store (or from the links at https://go.schoolmessenger.ca). The first time you use the app, select Sign Up to create your account (use the email address you have on file with the school). Select Attendance then Report an Absence.
  - 2. Use the SafeArrival website, https://go.schoolmessenger.ca. The first time you use the website, select Sign Up to create your account. Select Attendance then Report an Absence.
  - 3. Call the toll-free number 1-833-219-9065 to report an absence using the automated phone system.

These options are available 24 hours/day, 7 days a week. Future absences can be reported at any time.