Weekly Message from Seaside Park

Good evening this is Mrs. Myatt with this week's message from Seaside Park

Upcoming Dates:

Monday, February 19th – Family Day – No school for students

Wednesday, February 28th – Pink Shirt Day was created in a school in NS in 2007. After a new student at their school was bullied for wearing a pink shirt, two grade 12 students bought 50 pink shirts and encouraged their classmates to wear pink. The next day they went to distribute the shirts and to their surprise the majority of students arrived at school wearing pink! With that act of kindness, Pink Shirt Day was born. We are encouraging all of our staff and students to wear pink and demonstrate kindness and acceptance on February 28th.

March 2nd - March 10th - March Break

Black History Month - Every February, people across Canada participate in Black History Month events and festivities that honour the legacy of Black people in Canada and their communities. The 2024 theme for Black History Month is: "Black Excellence: A Heritage to Celebrate; a Future to Build". This theme celebrates the rich past and present contributions and accomplishments of Black people in Canada, while aspiring to embrace new opportunities for the future.

Lunar New Year – Lunar New Year began on Saturday, February 10th.

Memo from New Brunswick's Acting Chief Medical Officer – a reminder that the letter from the Acting Chief Medical Officer of Health, Dr. Yves A. Léger and also Public Health's Exclusion Guidelines for Schools was sent home with students. The information included in these two memos outlines steps that all families can take to minimize the spread of influenza, RSV, Covid -19. It also outlines illness exclusions as follows:

Stay home if your child has:

One of the following: fever, or a new or worsening cough;

OR

Two or more of the following: difficulty breathing, sore throat, runny nose/congestion, headache, new onset of fatigue or purple markings on the fingers and toes of children;

Symptoms of gastro-intestinal illness, such as vomiting or diarrhea.

Public Health recommends that those who are sick should stay home until they are feeling better, are fever-free for at least 24 hours without using fever-reducing medication, free of vomiting and diarrhea for at least 48 hours (if present) and are well enough to participate fully in all activities.

Please be reminded that principals must follow and communicate Public Health's Exclusion Guidelines for Schools when determining when and for how long a student should be excluded from school.

Grade 1 Early French and Grade 6 Late Immersion Registration Process 2024-2025 Information for Parents: (This is for current Kindergarten and Grade 5 students only)

To register for Grade 1 Early French and Grade 6 Late French Immersion, please complete the online registration form that I have included as a link in my email message. You can register your child between January 16th – February 16th. If you are unable to complete the form electronically, please call Andrea McCready at 643-7682.

For any questions regarding French Immersion please contact: Kelly Adams, Elementary French Immersion Coordinator – Kelly.adams@nbed.nb.ca

Grade 1 Early French and Grade 6 Late Immersion Registration Process PARENT SJEC 2024.pdf

Seaside Park Night of the Arts – We will be hosting Seaside Park Night of the Arts. Our tentative date is April 25th. A sheet outlining the audition process has already been sent home with students. In order to audition, students must bring back the form filled out and signed by an adult. Auditions will be held the entire lunch hour (12:00pm-12:50pm) in the cafeteria. Students in the musical can also audition for the talent show.

- · Students will bring their lunch and eat while they are waiting for their audition.
- · If a student is absent on their assigned day, they will audition on the next scheduled audition day.

Auditions will be on the following dates:

Monday, February 12th-Kindergarten

Wednesday, February 14th- Grade 1

Friday, February 16th- Grade 2

Wednesday, February 21st- Grade 3

Friday, February 23rd- Grade 4

Monday, February 26th- Grade 5

Wednesday, February 28th (if needed)

Grade 5 Grad Sweatshirts - Grade 5 students have the opportunity to order a special school sweatshirt (hoodie), designed only for our Grade 5 students. The sweatshirts are grey with teal writing and will have a Seaside swoop with 2024 underneath and will have the number 24 on the back with all the Grade 5 students' signatures. The hoodies are \$35 each (tax included). We will have sample sweatshirts at the school so that we can ensure a proper fit. We will have students try on the sweatshirts at school. If the sizing differs from what you selected on your order form, we will call you to discuss. Order forms and money are due back on or before March 2nd.

Home and School News:

Event News:

Thank you to all of our families who helped support Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week this coming week. Check out our social media to see how we are showing our appreciation each day.

Glow Dance is Friday, February 16th from 6:30-7:30 in the school cafeteria. Admission is \$2 per person and cash only. There will be a limited canteen and glow sticks for purchase. There will be a coffee/tea station for adults accompanying their students to the dance set-up outside the library. A grown-up must stay at the dance with their child.

Kick off to March Break Movie Night is Thursday, February 29th at 6:30, doors open at 6:15. Admission is \$2 per person. Movie will be announced soon.

Fundraiser News:

Thank you for all of your support with the Mitchell's Soups. We received a lot of orders. We will let you know when pick up will be in the coming weeks.

Our next home and school meeting is on Wednesday, February 21st at 6 PM in the school library. We would love to see you there.

As always, you can reach the SPES Home and School Association at seasideparkhands@gmail.com, follow the school FB page and follow our NEW SPES Home and School News FB page https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61555740451292&mibextid=LQQJ4d

That's all for this week.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at the school at 658-2729 or through email at Jocelyn.myatt@nbed.nb.ca

Thank you and have a great week!