

SSES Buzz- Week of October 10th, 2022



#### This Week's Buzz



#### Another busy week ahead!

Students at SSES have practiced all kinds of routines over the last few weeks, including how to line up, fire drills, and bus safety. As a part of our Comprehensive Safety Plan, we will practice a **school evacuation** to another site which will happen next Thursday October 13th and only happens once per school year. During this time, all students will congregate outside of our school with their classroom teacher, (as they would for a fire drill) and then walk to our alternate location, at St. Stephen High School. This is the first time in a few years (due to covid restrictions) that we have been able to do this, and our colleagues at St. Stephen High School have kindly made their gymnasium (and some bathrooms!) available for us. If you have any questions, reach out to your child's teacher, and please make sure your child is dressed appropriately for the weather.

If you have ever been in our school office through the day, you have seen that it is a hub of activity and Mrs. Dow can multi-task very well! The last hour of the day is probably the busiest, with lots of telephone messages about changes to afterschool plans. We understand that last minute emergencies happen, but in order to ensure messages about alternate arrangements get to the appropriate teachers in plenty of time, we ask that you kindly contact the office by 1pm for primary students and 2pm for intermediate students. Thank you for your help and understanding!

The students put on their best smiles this week for Picture Day. Please return all orders, including if you want retakes by **Friday, October 14, 2022.** 

The year has just started, however, **Kindergarten Registration** is happening next week. If you have a child born in 2018, please visit the ASD-S or SSES website and click register student. If you know someone who has a child born in 2018, please share this information with them. After the online registration, please bring your child's Medicare Card, Birth Certificate, Immunization Record, along with proof of address to the school. Another step would be calling the school, 466-7303, to book your child's EYE-DA (Early Years Evaluation - Direct Assessment).

Finally, we are thankful for our SSES students and families! We appreciate all of your support so far this school year, and hope that you have a wonderful long weekend and a Happy Thanksgiving!

## **Weekly Menu**



Meal Price \$6.50	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Chicken Snack Wrap With Caesar Salad	Grilled Cheese Sandwich with Chicken Noodle Soup	Chicken Quesadilla with Veggie Sticks	Penne Pasta with Ment Sauce & Caesar Salad	Hamburger & Roasted Potato Wedges
Option 2	Macaroni & Cheese with Veggies and Dip	Soft Tacos, Mexi Rice and Com	Cheese Pizza Slice & Cucumber Slices	Chicken Fingers with Potato Wedges, Veggies & Dip	Pancakes with Grilled Ham and Fruit

#### SSES is a Bee Me Kidz Zone!



Our 'Bee Me' Theme for the month of October is 'Respect'. Having respect means that you care enough to think about other's feelings before you act.

At St. Stephen Elementary we talk a lot about how to 'Be Respectful' as one of our three 'B's (Be Safe, Be Prepared, Be Respectful) and students learn and practice what it means to 'Be Respectful' in each of the areas in our school.

These are great conversations to follow up with at home as well! If you are looking for examples of readaloud to help get you started, follow this link:

#### **Books about Respect**

Each morning, students are given a 'Challenge of the Day' following the month's theme. This week's family challenge is to practice being kind- because it's cool to be kind! Try to do at least 3 kind acts each day of the week.

# Morning Arrival/Kiss and Drop



The safety of students is our top priority and we need your help to ensure our students arrive to school safely.

There are several options for dropping your child off in the morning. The safest and most visible location is at the 'Kiss and Drop' where duty teachers can direct students onto the sidewalk and into the building.

Students can also be dropped off at the end of Princess Street and use the walkway to the entrances. As well, we have a new crossing guard, Tiffany, who is ready to greet students at 7:45am and help them cross King Street.

Please do not drop your child off in the school parking lot. The school parking lot is reserved for staff in the mornings, as **this is not a safe spot for children to exit vehicles and cross the road**. If you need to park your car to walk your child to their entrance, you may use the Border Arena parking lot next door.

The building opens to students at 8am. Understanding that some families need to leave for work earlier than that, duty teachers monitor students outside at each of the entrances from 7:45am. Classes begin at 8:25am.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation as we work together to ensure the safety of the students at St. Stephen Elementary School.

# What's new from Community Schools?









#### A HUGE THANK YOU GOES TO:

- King's Church- donated \$3000 to our school!
- NBTA Retired Teachers- donated \$250 to our school!

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

We are looking for a volunteer to organize and tidy our clothing closet. This can be done at a time that is convenient to you during school hours. Contact Catriona if you have the sorting and tidying bug!

#### We've Got Your Back Program

The "We've Got Your Back" Program provides bags of food to students to take home for the weekend to assist families with food shortages. If your child would benefit from this program please contact Catriona. All contacts are kept confidential.

You can reach Catriona at 466-7870 or Catriona.mclanaghan@nbed.nb.ca

#### Week at a Glance

**Monday October 17th** 

• Kindergarten registration for students entering school in September 2023

#### **Tuesday October 18th**

#### Wednesday October 19th

- School Assembly
- Bee Me Kidz Day-. Miss Mandy is in the building!
- SSHS Reading Buddies will be joining Mme. Chamber's class at 10:15
- Opening Ceremony for our Outside Classroom at 4pm.
- Home and School Association Meeting in the library at 5pm.
- Indoor Soccer: Pre-K 5:15pm to 5:45pm, K-Gr2 6pm to 7pm, Gr3 Gr6 7pm to 8pm. Please bring in your registration form and money at this time.

#### **Thursday October 20th**

- Ganong Nature Park Rachel Chambers (4B)
- Mark It Read students and staff can wear red for Dyslexia awareness.

#### Friday October 21st

• Have a great weekend



### **Upcoming Events**



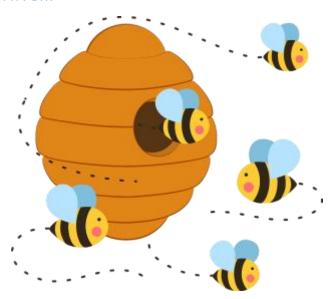
#### Dates to Remember!

- November 10th-SSES Remembrance Day Ceremony
- November 11th-Remembrance Day (no school for students or staff)
- November 15th PSSC Meeting 6:30-7:30 in the library (also available online by request)
- November 18th- Professional Learning Day for Staff (no school for students)
- December 1st- Report Cards sent home
- December 2nd- No classes for students K-12 for School Improvement Planning
- December 8th- Parent Teacher Interviews (evening)
- December 9th Parent Teacher Interviews (am)/Staff PL (pm)
- December 23rd- Last day of classes (half day for students)





# Seen around the Hive...





1 - We had a great walk to SSHS!



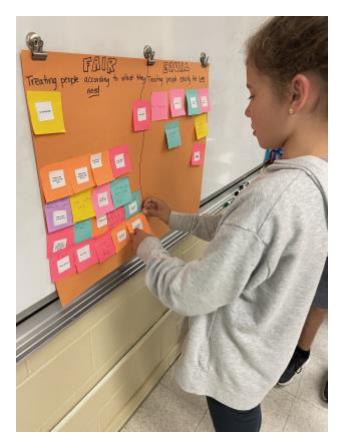
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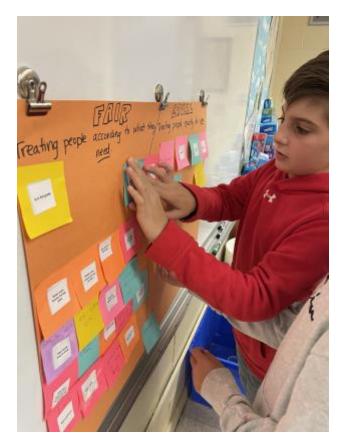
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4 - Learning about Fair vs Equal



5 - Learning about Fair vs Equal



6 - Learning about Fair vs Equal



7 - Beautiful sky over SSES.

# Contact Us

# I'm so mad right now! I checked my sons book bag and find these!!!!



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