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March 12, 2018

Dear Parents of Hazen-White/St. Francis School:

This letter is a follow-up to reminders from your Acting Principal, Matt Garey, about a meeting on Wednesday, March 28, 2018 at Hazen-White/St. Francis School at 6:30 p.m. As you are aware, the District Education Council is hosting a series of public meetings for parents regarding the sustainability of your school.

We are following Policy 409 of the Department of Education and Early Childhood, <http://www.gnb.ca/0000/pol/e/409A.pdf> which states that we must have three public meetings to discuss any school closure. The first meeting for Hazen-White/St. Francis School was held on February 20, 2018 at the school. At that meeting I outlined the process Council must follow with Policy 409, and District staff talked about the options for Hazen-White/St. Francis School.

The power point used that evening can be found on the Anglophone South website at [www.asd-s.nbed.nb.ca](http://www.asd-s.nbed.nb.ca) The main page has a news item entitled "School Sustainability Review – Centennial and Hazen-White/St. Francis School". Click "Read More" and it is the link "Hazen-White/St. Francis School Presentation". If you do not have access to our website, please let the school know and we can provide a copy for you.

Our second meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 28, 2018 at Hazen-White/St. Francis School at 6:30 p.m. This is also Parent Teacher night at the school (from 3:30 – 6:30 pm). The second meeting will be an opportunity to make a presentation to the DEC or to provide feedback. If you wish to present, please contact our Recording Secretary, Clare Murphy at 658-5325 or [clare.murphy@gnb.ca](mailto:clare.murphy@gnb.ca) prior to 4:00 pm, Tuesday, March 27<sup>th</sup>. We will ensure everyone has time to speak to us. You are also welcome to write to me at the above address or you can send any comments to the following e-mail: [asds.schoolreview@gnb.ca](mailto:asds.schoolreview@gnb.ca)

We are offering an additional opportunity for parents to meet with the District Education Council and staff to share their views on the sustainability study for your school at 12 noon at the Crescent Valley Resource Centre, March 28, 2018.

The third and final meeting will be a District Education Council session scheduled for Wednesday, April 11, 2018 at 7:00 pm at the Saint John Education Centre, 490 Woodward Avenue when a final decision will be made on the sustainability of Hazen-White/St. Francis School.

A reminder that there will be a tour of Seaside Park Elementary School on Friday, March 16<sup>th</sup> for anyone interested. The bus will arrive at Hazen-White/St. Francis at 9:00 am and continue to the Crescent Valley Resource Centre and then on to Centennial School, and the Nick Nicolle Community Centre before heading to Seaside Park Elementary School. The bus will return back to these same locations at 11:30 am.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Rob Fowler'.

Rob Fowler, Chair

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