

GEARY GAZETTE

At Geary Elementary Community School:

"We C.A.R.E."

September 2, 2014

<http://geary.nbed.nb.ca>

EXCITEMENT ABOUNDS!

As the 2014/2015 school year begins G.E.C.S. staff wants to assure you that the safety and well being of your children is our number one priority. We welcome the support of families in our school community as we begin yet another exciting year of learning. For those of you who are new to the school community and for those of you that embarked on the journey to build the new Geary Elementary Community School, we are that much closer to our goal. We are on schedule to move into the Lauvina-Bye Road location in Geary on January of 2015.

G.E.C.S. STAFF include:

Bonnie Worrall	Principal
Wendy Peters	VP/grade 5 (.4)
Debbie West	Admin Assistant
Tinika Lowe	Kindergarten
Michelle Hepditch	Kindergarten
Ted Beach	Grade 1
Wendy Wells	Grade 1
Charles MacTavish	Grade 2
Ashley Smith	Grade 2
Susan Robichaud	Grade 3
Tonya Crowhurst	Grade 4
Alicia Chase	UNB Intern (grade 4)
Leah St. John	Grade 5 (.6)
Mike Lanteigne	PE
Mary MacLeod	Resource
Wendy Wood	K-2 Guidance
Karyn Hamilton	3-5 Guidance
Roberta Akcakiryan	Community School Coordinator
Sandy Chappelle	EA
Carolyn Gallant	EA
Jennifer Gardner	EA
Marlyn Penney	EA
Bonnie Lively	Headstart Early Years Educator
Suzanne MacDonald	Headstart EA

K-2 classes are at Gesner Street School; 3-5 classes are at Summerhill Street School and the Headstart (4 year old preschool and before and after school childcare programs) are at the Geary Baptist Church.

If you have any questions in regard to bussing you can check out the Anglophone West School District website at: www.asd-w.nbed.nb.ca
You will find up to date information in regard to bussing at transportation on this website. The **Transportation Information Line is (506) 453-5454 or 1-888-388-4455.**

The **G.E.C.S. agenda** is being sent home today with your child at no cost to families. Your Home and School Association generously provide this communication tool. Notes to and from the school should be sent in the plastic sleeve at the front of the agenda. As well please read the valuable information located in the front pages of the agenda. Most of your questions and concerns will be answered there. Behavioral expectations are clearly defined. As well, there is a "fair notice" letter from Superintendent David McTimoney in regard to respectful communications and expectations. Thank you for taking the time to read the agenda insert. When you have concerns at school please talk to your child's teacher first. The teacher knows your child best and they are close at hand. Administration will help support but only after the classroom teacher has been notified. Additional resource, literacy and guidance support are available at the school so please keep us informed!

There is a new **K-8 Report Card** for students in the fall. Some of you completed a survey in the spring and will not be surprised by this change. More information will be coming home in the weeks ahead.

We know that you have many questions at this time. As the new school year begins and vital school community groups begin the task of supporting the children, we will have the answers to your questions. We look forward to working with our PSSC (Parent School Support Committee); H & S (Home and School); Geary Headstart; and our Community School Coordinator. News of breakfast and hot lunch programming will be coming our way soon!

Enjoy the remaining remnants of warm weather! The children will be home this evening with stories of the school community and we are thrilled to be part of this!

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER	
Friday, September 5th	Registration/Transportation forms are due back
Tuesday, Sept. 9 th	Meet the Teacher Event 6:30 p.m.
Monday, Sept. 29 th	Harvey's Picture Day
September 29 th - October 3rd	Safe Schools Week - Schedules will be sent out
October 14-17	Registration for Kindergarten 2015-2016
Thursday, Oct. 9 th	Professional Learning- NO SCHOOL for student
Friday, Oct. 10 th	Professional Learning- NO SCHOOL for student
Monday, October 14 th	Happy Thanksgiving Day! NO SCHOOL for student

G.E.C.S.: 357-4071