Florenceville Middle School February 2016 Newsletter

School Vision - "All students will be given the opportunity and support to become responsible citizens."

School Mission – "The mission of FMS is to develop students who are intellectually, technologically, physically and socially ready for their place in the 21st Century world.



Happy February! Happy Valentine's Day!

The Faces of our PSSC

The Parent School Support Committee (PSSC) is an important part of our school. They have a role in providing guidance in setting education goals and in developing the learning environment of students. They also represent the voice of parents. You are encouraged to make contact with PSSC members with your ideas or questions that concern the school as a whole. (Please remember that concerns specfic to individuals are always directed to the Principal.) You are also reminded that our PSSC meetings are public meetings and you may attend as an observer. The meeting schedule is on our website.

Here are our parent members and their email addresses:

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Staff Appreciation Week is February 15 – 19. The PSSC has planned to provide staff with treats and a lunch, as well as have parent volunteers help with supervision! Many thanks! Parents willing to come and help release teachers from supervision to enjoy the provided lunch on Friday may contact Mrs. K. to get the details. (julie.kilcollins@nbed.nb.ca) Parents interested in adding to the lunch menu may email Sandra Hubley.

Attendance

In the December newsletter, we reminded you of the importance of daily attendance for academic success and shared with you that we communicate with homes after 5 and 10 days absence. We have since selected our weekly, monthly and term incentives and students are bringing a great deal of enthusiasm to working together in improving attendance as homeroom classes and as a school. We thank students and families for the messaging they use to promote regular attendance and the effort to attend daily (when not ill!) This is one of the ways we work to improve our learning culture that translates into success for students!

February 2016

9th: Blood Donor Clinic

13th: Girls BBall double-header

TBA: School wide English Language Arts Assessment

20th-21st: FMS hosts Middle School Girls BBall Provincials

22nd: Grade 8 Boys - Active Boys at NCCC

25th: Trip Deposit Due (\$150)

26th: Concert/Dessert Auction in support of Grade 8 Trip

March 2016

2nd: Newsletter goes home

3rd: Boys vs Girls BBall Team fundraiser game 7:00 pm

4th: Winter Carnival Activities

7th - 11th: March Break

18th: In class and assembly drumming seminars by Keith Mullins

22nd: TNB production at CNHS

23rd: Report Cards go home

25th: Good Friday - no school

28th: Easter Monday - no school

30th: Grade 8 Science Fair

31st: HPV Vaccine Dose 2 for Grade 7 girls

31st: Grade 8 Trip Deposit due

31st: FMS Dance

Upcoming Events

The Active Communities Branch of Department of Tourism, Heritage & Culture; the Western Valley Recreation Association; and the Department of Education have been planning a series of "Active Boys Multi Sport" events to expose our Grade 8 male students to some of the recreational, nutrition and mental fitness activities available to them within their home regions. Our Grade 8 boys will travel to the Civic Centre on February 22nd for this event. The Girls' event takes place in May.

The **Me to We** group will be looking for non-perishable food items for their *Fill a Bus* fundraiser, which will kick off on February 8. Homeroom classes will be in competition to fill as many boxes with food as they can. Once we have as many boxes as there are seats in a bus, we will be donating the food items to local food banks. We appreciate your support in advance!

FMS has been selected to host the **2016 Middle School Girls Basketball Provincials** on February 20th and 21st!

Many thanks to all who contributed to our **Giant Yard Sale**. \$2754.50 was raised to support many of our Grade 8 travelers. That is fantastic support from our communities. There are still ways to show your support:



There is an account at the redemption centre in Bath called "FMS Quebec Trip". All returnables donated before March will be used to reduce the overall cost of the trip.

You may also support travelers by purchasing one of the \$20 Pizza Delight Take-Out Deal Coupons!



Thanks in advance fo all your support! ©

Fundraiser Basketball Game

The FMS Boys vs the FMS Girls

Thursday, March 3, 7:00 PM. Don't miss it!!