

# ***Hartland Community School News***

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***MOTTO: From Believing to Achieving***  
***VISION: Empowering Our Students to Enrich Our World***

## Principal's Message

As the new principal for Hartland Community School, I am excited and looking forward to this new professional challenge. As a former student of Hartland High School, and teacher at HHS & HCS, my heart is with this community and this school. I hope to continue the great work of the former administrators and make this school a welcoming place for this community. I will be here to support all our students, parents, guardians and staff to help make HCS a place where everyone wants to be. I spoke on day one to the student, we are challenging them this year, to be respectful and to expect respect. I too, want to challenge our parents and guardians to be mindful that everything we do at HCS is for the betterment of all our students and that communications and interactions with the school need to be respectful. You should always be treated with respect in our building and I trust that you will be respectful to our students and staff at all times. Please feel free to call me with any issues and/or concerns you have as well as any positive feedback you want to pass along. Students and staff at HCS do many amazing things and it is always nice to hear from people who notice their hard work. I am looking forward to an awesome year and look forward to serving this great community.

## Welcome Back to HCS

The staff of HCS would like to welcome all students back to the 2016-17 school year. We would also like to welcome staff members Mitchell Hemphill, our new Vice Principal, as well as Mary Hatfield

and Stephanie Bubar, our 2 new Education Assistants. Let's all work together to promote and strengthen a positive learning environment and generate school spirit.

## International Students

Hartland Community School is pleased to welcome and to host the following 3 international students from Brazil. They are all attending Gr. 11-1<sup>st</sup> semester. Milena da Silva, Dacy Pessoa Salvador De Melo and Helloy Neves Basilia De Azevedo. We welcome you and hope that you enjoy your time in our community.



## Volunteers welcome

You must have a Criminal Record Check and Policy 701. You can review this

policy and complete the necessary "test" online <http://www.gnb.ca/0000/policies.asp> Once you have reviewed this, go to the link below and complete the questionnaire. Print it and send it in to Mrs. Heidi Culberson. The questionnaire to complete can be found at:

<http://701.nbed.nb.ca/questionnaire-e.asp>

Once completed, please inform the school of your particular areas of interest.

The criminal record check can be done at the R.C.M.P. office in Woodstock. It is free and only takes a moment.

## Parent/Visitor Sign In

The crisis response protocol for the school requires *everyone* visiting the school to sign in at the office upon arrival. We thank you for your cooperation in this matter as it is for the safety of students, staff and the public.

## Progressive Agriculture Safety Day

Grade Five students will be attending a day full of fun, educational and memorable activities at the annual Progressive Agriculture Safety Day® held at the Florenceville-Bristol Northern Carleton Civic Centre on September 15, 2016. Students will be leaving HCS at 9:00 am and returning at 2:30 pm. Mrs. Hargrove & Mme. Kee will be supervising our Grade Five students for the day.

## Student Drop off (am)

HCS will have a new routine this year for students being driven to school and dropped off. Drivers are asked to turn right as they come up the driveway and go around behind the school to drop students off. Students are to be dropped off at the back entrance by the grade 3-8 playground. Then continue on around the school and exit the property as per normal. This change was made for student safety reasons as there has been too much traffic and congestion in front of the school. Thank you for understanding and working with us to implement this change in traffic patterns.

Please be reminded that children are not to be dropped off at school **before 8:00am** as staff are not on supervision.

If you are picking your K-2 child up at the end of their instructional day, you should do so **between 2:00-2:10.**

## Meet the teacher night at HCS

We hope you can join us on Thursday, Sept, 15<sup>th</sup>!!

**Meet the Teacher** (4:30-5:30)

**Back to School BBQ** (5:30-6:30)

## 2017 Grad Norcard Fundraiser

The 2017 Grad Class will be selling Norcard products from Wednesday September 14th-Wednesday September 28. All profit goes to grad class initiatives.

## Pre-K Registration for 2015-2016



Registration for students entering kindergarten

for the 2016-2017 school year will take place at HCS from Tuesday, Oct. 11<sup>th</sup> to Friday, Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> (8:30 am to 3:30pm) Parents are asked to bring their child's birth certificate, immunization record and medicare card on the day of registration. These days will be for registration (paperwork) only. At that time, you will be given a packet with information about the Transition to Kindergarten Program. Children who reach 5 years of age by Dec. 31, 2017 are eligible to attend kindergarten beginning in the fall of 2017.

If you know of any children who will be eligible to start kindergarten next year, please advise their parents of these registration dates, even if they are not able to attend.

## Head Lice

It's time once again to remind you that head lice are common in schools because lice spread easily where people gather. Having head lice does not mean people are unclean. Head lice do not spread disease. Head lice are tiny insects that live on the scalp. These insects lay eggs, called nits, which stick to the hair. Head lice spread via direct contact among children or indirectly on items such as hats, combs, hairbrushes and headphones. Treatment shampoos contain an insecticide that kills the live lice. Removing **all** nits from the hair is essential if a recurrence is to be prevented. Parents can contact their physician or the local public health agency for advice about treatment. If you require further information, please contact the school. If head lice is discovered in your child's classroom, a letter will be sent home

informing you of this so you can take precautions.

## PSSC

Get involved in the school by being a member of the HCS Parent School Support Committee. PSSC elections will be held at 6:30 on Thursday evening in the library at HCS, there are 3 vacant positions. Any interested parents are asked to attend or contact Mr. Clark for more information.



## HCS Twitter Page

This year HCS has added a Twitter page as a means of communicating important news about school events, cancellations and student accomplishments to our school community. You can keep up to date with everything happening in our school by following our account: **@HCSHuskies**. New followers and retweets can earn prizes!

## No Classes For Students

- Professional Learning Days Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>
- Thanksgiving: Oct. 10<sup>th</sup>

## NBCC Applications

Grade 12 students who are considering pursuing their post-secondary education at a NBCC campus in September 2017, should apply as soon as possible. Program seats are limited and application packages are assessed beginning November 1. Students can apply on-line or can ask Mrs. Hatt for an application form.

## Growth Mindset

HCS is embarking on a new school year with a school-wide focus on developing a growth mindset environment - a place where students believe that with effort and perseverance, they can succeed. We are excited about "growing our minds" and want parents to know what this is all about too!

A **Fixed Mindset** is one where we believe that our children's innate abilities, talents and intelligence are fixed. They are either "good" or talented at something or they are not. They can certainly learn new things, but this particular skill or subject is not really "their thing". People with a Fixed Mindset may:

- avoid challenges
- give up early
- become threatened by other people's success
- try hard to appear as smart or capable as possible

A **Growth Mindset** is the belief that intelligence, skills, and talent are malleable, and they can change with effort, perseverance, and practice. Scientists have proven again and again that our brains act like a muscle - the more we use it, the stronger (and smarter) it becomes. People with a Growth Mindset may:

- embrace challenges
- learn from feedback
- give their best effort
- become inspired by other's success
- believe their intelligence can change if they work hard

Please watch our newsletter each month for inspiring ideas on creating a growth mindset environment in your home. Also, we will have links to learning more about growth mindset on our school website by the end of the month. If you can't wait to get started on this journey with our school, you may want to read the book that sparked our interest, *Mindset: The New Psychology of Success* written by Dr. Carol Dweck. We challenge you to learn and "grow" along with us!

