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## October Newsletter

October 3-7	Fire Prevention Week
October 5, 12, 19	3-5 Soccer after school
October 10	Thanksgiving Day Holiday- no school
October 11	Java Moose Fundraiser ends- return forms
October 11-14	Kindergarten Registration
October 14	Cross Country Run
October 17	Playground Committee Meeting at 6 pm
October 17-21	Safe Schools Week
October 27	Fall Fun Night is back!!
October 28	October Birthday Cupcakes
October 31	School Halloween Parties

### Halloween Activities

We are excited to bring back our annual Fall Fun Night again after a 3-year hiatus. We will hold this on October 27<sup>th</sup> from 6-7:30 pm. Students are encouraged to wear their costumes if they would like (no weapons please) and the event is open to the public to attend so younger brothers and sisters who are not yet in school are welcome. There will be many stations set up in the gym, cafeteria, and library for students to enjoy. The Playground Committee will also have tickets for a Halloween Basket draw. The cost for a basket ticket will be \$2 a ticket or 3 for \$5. There is no cost for Fall Fun Night. We will be looking for volunteers to work at stations as well so let us know if you are available. Halloween parties will take place on October 31. Teachers will send home information on their party details and will organize party food for their own classrooms for the day. We have students allergic to nuts so nothing with nuts or may contain nuts should be sent in for parties.



### Kindergarten Registration

Registration for students for next year's Kindergarten class takes place between Oct. 11<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>. All children who will be five as of Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022, need to register. If you have a child that will be attending here next year you need to register your child online if possible at <https://secure1.nbed.nb.ca/sites/ASD-VV/kindergarten/Pages/default.aspx> and then you will receive a call from the school. We will arrange a time for you to come and complete your registration. Please bring photocopies or scanned copies of your child's birth certificate, Medicare card and immunization documents (if possible); if not, we will copy them for you. Please note: All immunizations must be in order prior to starting school in September 2023. **Proof of Immunization** is required by the Health Act and Education Act for all students entering school for the first time in NB. Please provide an Immunization Card or letter from the Doctor. Information about the routine childhood immunization schedule in NB can be found on the Govt' of NB, Dept. of Health website [http://www.gnb.ca/0053/public\\_health/immunization-e.asp](http://www.gnb.ca/0053/public_health/immunization-e.asp). If you have any questions or concerns about the required immunizations for school entry, please call Public Health in Fredericton at 453-8252.

\*\*If registration online is not possible, please reach out to our school to schedule an appointment to register onsite at 575-6000.

### SRC Election Results

Congratulations to students who were elected to the SRC in grades 3-5. The executive campaign takes place during Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> -7<sup>th</sup> with the speeches and assembly on Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm with voting to follow by grades 3-5. Students in the SRC this year include Mya Kennedy, Kaya Marr, Jaxon Matthews, Harper Delaney, Zoey Chase, Kyle Ianni, Dawson Pollock, Miley Brewer, Charlotte Clemens, Gideon Gonzales-Moser, Blake Pollock, Emery English, Eben Dickinson and Esme Mean. Meetings take place every Tuesday at 10:05 starting October 11<sup>th</sup>.

### PSSC

On behalf of the NES Parent School Support Committee, we would like to wish you a wonderful school year ahead.

The PSSC is excited to have both new and returning members on the committee this year.

Kelsey Davidson (Chair)  
 Melissa Bourgoin (Vice Chair)  
 Alicia Sharp  
 Miranda Price  
 Mike Agrell  
 Vanessa MacDonald  
 Melissa Rockwell  
 Eden Tootoo  
 Nicole Priest (Teacher Rep)

We meet bi-monthly, and meetings are open to the public. Our next meeting is set for Tuesday, November 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm in the NES Library.



### Cross Country Run

NES will host the annual cross country run again for grades 3, 4, and 5 that will involve several local schools. Students will have an opportunity to run during PE classes as part of our fitness unit. Students interested in competing against other schools will be invited to take a permission form to compete on the Big Axe Trail on October 14<sup>th</sup> from 9-12. The top 5 places in each grade will receive ribbons. Our hope is that parents will also encourage and support their child in their training at home as well. Grade 3 students will run 1 km, grade 4 will run 1.5 km and grade 5 will run 2 km.



### Playground

We would like to thank our playground committee and their families for refreshing the outdoor classroom, the food forest and adding the track lines to the pavement. We appreciate all who showed up on our Sunday afternoon workday. This committee meets once a month to plan some fundraisers for our playground. We are currently working towards purchasing a new structure that would be comparable to the blue structure but for the primary side of the playground. If you would like to join us, please plan on attending our next meeting on October 17<sup>th</sup>.

### Cafeteria

Our new cafeteria service is in full swing with nutritional meals for just \$3. Just go to the Nutrislice app or website and search for our school. Orders must be a week in advance. Cancelling orders need to be done by 7am on the day of the order. Please remember when selecting your child's meal to pick the beverage they would like, this is all in the same pop-up screen just below the selection. We also wish to thank our volunteers who have been a great support each day: Gert Wilson, Vanessa MacDonald, Kim Greencorn, Shelby Christie, and Sheana Richardson. If you are interested in helping, please contact the school or Kellie Morehouse at (204) 291-3326.

### School Bus Safety

Students will have an opportunity to practice school bus safety rules this month during Safe Schools Week. Here are some of the rules to review with your child:

1. Obey the driver promptly.
2. Avoid any unnecessary conversation with the driver while the bus is in motion.
3. Respect the driver and fellow passengers.
4. Arrive on time and stand away from the roadway while waiting for the school bus.
5. Wait until the bus comes to a complete stop before moving to get on.
6. When crossing the road, wait for the driver's signal and always cross at least 3 meters in front of the bus. Never cross behind the bus.
7. Always keep a safe distance around the school bus.
8. Go directly to your seat; allow others to sit with you. Remain seated.
9. Sit facing forward, with your belongings on your lap or under the seat. Keep the aisle clear.
10. Obtain approval of the driver to open windows or emergency door. Nothing must hang out or be thrown out of the windows of the bus.
11. Talk quietly. Silence is required when approaching a railway crossing.
12. Eating and drinking are not allowed on the bus. Smoking is forbidden.
13. Neither pets nor large objects are allowed on the bus.
14. Anyone who intentionally damages the bus will be held responsible.
15. Dress according to weather conditions. For safety reasons, avoid draw stings or loose objects on clothing and backpacks.

Please support our bus drivers.



### Safe Schools Week/Fire Prevention Week

Fire Prevention week takes place between Oct 3<sup>rd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup>. We will run a full fire drill with the fire dept. responding during Safe Schools Week which is Oct. 17<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>. We will be going through an emergency medical drill, a lock down drill and have lessons on bus safety this week. Information will go home with students regarding fire safety. We appreciate the Fire Department and bus drivers helping us with these lessons.



### Important Reminders

- Please have walkers to the school between 8 am and 8:20 so they are not late for class. Please use the cross walk for safety purposes.
- Please pay school fee of \$20 if you haven't yet
- Please ensure your child has a water bottle every day. Our fountains only have water bottle fillers and no spouts to get drinks.
- Please return permission slips given to walkers regarding their after-school arrangement. We need to know if they are allowed to walk home on their own and that someone is there to supervise them.
- Please return all permission slips and forms that were sent home to be filled out. This information is very important for us to have.
- It is wise for our younger students to have a change of clothes in case they get wet or dirty at recess.
- When calling in an absence please give the reason as we have to track why a student is absent. Please be specific as possible so we can assign the correct code.

### Java Moose Fundraiser

Our first fundraiser of the year wraps up on October 11<sup>th</sup>. Please return all forms to the school on the 11<sup>th</sup>. Orders will be filled before Christmas. The top salesperson will receive fifty dollars' worth of books from the bookfair in December and the top selling class will receive fifty dollars' worth of books for their classroom. All funds will go towards new tech for our classrooms! We thank you for your support.



### Terry Fox

We would like to thank you for your donations in support of our run last month. We raised \$181.55. We also would like to thank the van Oords for their donation of apples, AV Nackawic for their donation of bananas and Hoyt's Apple Orchard for their donation of apples as well.

### NES Healthy Minds

Our most recent donors include Waterfront Pub and Shuffleboard group, Wayne, and Judy Fox, NVFD, Joe and Sinikka Broczkowski, and Unifor Local 219. Chartwells is making our breakfast this year in our cafeteria, and we are supporting them. We are also using our donations to buy snacks to top up lunches, buying toys to use on our playground and looking into helping the playground committee to purchase new equipment. Having food and playing both keep our minds healthy as little people! Thanks to our donors so far! Inquiries about donations can be made at the school with Mrs. Priest.



### Thanksgiving Holiday

There will be no school on Monday, October 10<sup>th</sup> to recognize Thanksgiving. From the staff at NES, we hope you have a wonderful family time on this occasion



### October Birthdays

Happy birthday to our students with birthdays this month. We will celebrate on Oct. 28<sup>th</sup> to honor our birthday students and they will each receive a nut free mini cupcake courtesy of our partner, J-Lynn's Independent Grocer. Birthdays this month include: Kyle Ianni, Avery Maillet, Riley Narvey, Marshall Pike, Finn Staples, Archer Staples, Haleigh Coulter, Hunter Denny, Layla Cluff, Olivia Lane, Brayden Greencorn, Emily Clemens, Mason Vankoughnett, Sadie Knox, Luna Gillet, Matthew Kaley, Landyn Schneider, Bryson Crandlemire, Jayden O'Donnell, William Staples, Blake Pollock, Jennifer MacDonald, Aiden MacFarlane, Karlie Banville, Maxwell Brown, Mme Rogers and Mrs. Morehouse.



### Guidance

We are off to a wonderful start at NES. September celebrated a return to school, with students and staff celebrating many exciting activities and October looks just as fun. Safe Schools Week is October 17<sup>th</sup> -21<sup>st</sup>, and students and staff are looking forward to exploring themes around physical, social and emotional well-being to keep our school a safe and welcoming place. At our Friday Frolic, whole school assembly, on Oct. 14<sup>th</sup>, we are kicking off Safe Schools Week with a 5-minute video, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pDGI-BCZvTE> followed by discussion. Please feel free to watch the video as a family.