



Lightning News for November 25th – 29th.
Barnhill does their Best! Better Every Single Time.

We are just so proud of our students and we have to share with everyone some of the successes of our students: Seth Fogan in grade 7 came in first place in the District Chess Tournament on Saturday. Every year the West Branch Library at Lancaster Mall has a Scary Story competition. This year we have three winners: in grade 6 is Grant Holleran, in grade 7 the winner: is Ella Cusack and in grade 8 the winner: is Jane Peters. Congratulations to all of you!

The theme for the month of November is citizenship.

“If you’re going to live, leave a legacy. Make a mark on the world that can’t be erased.”

~ Maya Angelou ~

Grade 8 Quebec Cultural Trip information: The second payment of \$100.00 is due; please pay through <https://asds.schoolcashionline.com/> Cashless Schools will be open until midnight on November 25, 2019 in order for you to make your second payment of \$100.00. We need to remind all parents/guardians that we pay an outside travel company and therefore we need to abide by the payment schedule.

We have numerous field trips this week and we will have more field trips throughout the year... Monday we have two of our grade 7 classes going to the Provincial Legislature in Fredericton for a guided tour. The students with Ms. Stout and Ms. Pattison will see first – hand how our provincial government functions.

Grade Six Science – please see attached the letter for the Huntsman field trip.

Wednesday, November 27th – Madame Beyea’s and Ms. Ferguson’s grade six Science class.

Thursday, November 28th – Madame Lise and Madame Vautour’s classes will be going.

Friday, November 29th – Madame Murphy’s class will be going on the field trip.

All students signed a Pursuit of Excellence with their parent/guardian and we must abide by that contract with regard to all extra-curricular as well as co-curricular activities. Being on a team or a club and attending field trips is a privilege not a right! Positive student behavior is the basis of participating in these activities. We have had many conversations with our students about the importance of their behavior. We have reminded students that they are representing the entirety of their school while in the community. All students are to follow the BOLT Matrix,

as outlined in the student handbook. Bolt brings clarity and predictability to the expectations we place on students regarding their conduct and participation in school and school activities.

~ Our District has a very clear attendance policy. Students are to attend school regularly. Students who have missed an excessive amount of days will forfeit the privilege of being involved in school activities and trips.

~ Students who have had either in school or out-of-school suspension within ten days of a trip will not participate on the trip. For teams and clubs the student does not have the privilege to attend the game or event.

~ The expectation is for the student to attend school and complete curricular schoolwork if they are ineligible to attend the trip.

~ Students who choose not to adhere to the rules and expectations while on the field trip will not attend the next field trip. All future eligibility will be contingent on the students' choices and actions.

This Thursday at 1:55 p.m., we will be having a **MADD** presentation in our gym for all students. Parent and guardians are always welcome. The film being shown this year is called **Over the Edge** and it opens with a fictional story that illustrates the tragic consequences of driving while impaired. The film is very emotional and powerful. So why is it important for middle level students to view **Over the Edge**? Although your child is not driving yet, they will soon be thinking about the future possibility of driving. They may already find themselves in situations where alcohol or drugs are present. As well, they have opportunities to ride with an inexperienced teen driver. As they learn to be more independent, they need to know the facts and be ready to avoid dangerous situations involving impaired driving. If you would like to view a preview of **Over the Edge**, it is on the **MADD** website:

<https://madd.ca/pages/programs/youth-services/school-programs>

For additional information and resources for parents/guardians to go to

<https://madd.ca/pages/programs/youth-services/information-for-parents/>

Robotics: Our team will be going to RNS on Friday for a competition with Mrs. Blagden. We wish our team the best of luck.

Hot lunch: Pasta on Monday for \$4.00 and on Wednesday we have Chicken poppers with parmesan bread sticks for \$5.00. Pizza Day is on Friday \$3.00 a slice with fruit or vegetables.

Save the date...

Before we know it – it will be December and the holiday season will be upon us. At Barnhill Memorial School we are collecting donations for those in need. We are collecting mitts, hats, scarves, books, toys etc. We are donating to some local families in our community. Plus we are going to be having our annual “Dodge Hunger” Newcombe Ball Tournament on December 19th and 20th. In early December we will have the students create their teams, and to enter the tournament each team member has to donate three non-perishable food items or \$3.00 – all of these donations go to the West Side Food Bank.

In January 2020 – we will begin the process of our grade 8 French Immersion students embarking on an exciting and unique program in Social Studies. The **Entrepreneurial Adventure** program is a unique business collaboration between the business community and the students. You can read more about this program at <https://www.thelearningpartnership.ca/programs/entrepreneuril-adventure>.

Ms. Mary Ashton is the teacher to contact for any further information on this program.

- **Athletics and Activities:**

- ~ Badminton Club – on Monday evenings for grade 6 students from 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm with Mr. Stuart.

- ~ Badminton November 25 – Doubles Practice 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

- November 26 – Singles Practice 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

- November 27 – Doubles Practice 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

- November 28 – Singles Practice 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

- Any questions or concerns, please speak to Mrs. Graham, Mr. Stuart or Ms. Pattison.

Friday, November 29 – Open Gym – 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. with Ms. Ferguson

- ~ Please talk to Mr. Kyle and listen to the announcements for when practices are for *Aladdin*.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 658-5971 or jill.ferguson@nbed.nb.ca

Thank you.

Ms. Jill Ferguson

“Do not judge me by my success, judge me by how many times I fell down and got back up again.” ~ Nelson Mandela ~

