



*Lightning News for September 30<sup>th</sup> – October 4<sup>th</sup>.*  
Barnhill does their Best! Better Every Single Time.

Monday, September 30<sup>th</sup> is Orange Shirt Day – this event that started in 2013. This day is to educate people and promote awareness about the Indian residential school system and the impact this system had on Indigenous communities for more than a century in Canada. Orange Shirt Day is held annually on September 30<sup>th</sup> in Canadian communities with students and staff being encouraged to wear an orange shirt to school.

The theme for the month of October is respect and responsibility.

“Though I am not always responsible for what happens to me, I am responsible for how I handle what happens to me.” ~ Zig Ziglar

Thank you ~ Our Terry Fox walk went very well on Thursday afternoon. We appreciate all your donations and those donations of \$500.00 have been sent to the Terry Fox Foundation.

**Please remember we are a closed campus. Students cannot leave the school premises on their own during the school day; the students need to be signed out in the office by a parent/guardian.**

~ **Socktoberfest:** We will be collecting socks for the entire month of October to donate to those in need. A display will be in our lobby! We want to thank you for your support.

~ **Intervention:** We will be starting our intervention program tomorrow during Foundations class. Every day of the week, we will be concentrating on a different subject. Teachers will be working with small groups of students in order to help them meet curricular outcomes.

~ **Bus Safety:** We will be having a bus safety drill on Tuesday, October 1st in the morning. The grade 7 and 8 students will begin at 9:30 a.m. They will practice all the safety rules of the bus and learn how to disembark from the bus in case of emergency. The grade 6 students did their bus safety drill the very first day of school.

~ **Homework is important:** We do ask that students please read every night for at least 20 minutes. Practice your Math skills, watch French T.V. to practice your oral skills, this is great for the French Immersion students as well as the students who study post intensive French.

~ **Bolt:** Barnhill Memorial School will continue with our Positive Behavior Intervention and Support (PBIS) called BOLT. We review BOLT expectations with the students on a daily basis.

Weekly we draw three winners and the students win pens/pencils, water bottles, lanyards or a USB bracelet.

We have Barnhill cinch bags for sale for \$10.00. These are a great item to have to carry gym clothes or your practice clothes for any of your extra – curricular activities.

~ **Canteen:** We have a student run canteen available at lunch. The canteen has healthy snacks and drinks available for our students. All of our items are \$1.00.

### **ASD-S Safe Arrivals Program**

Report your child's absence by using any of these easy methods:

- Call toll free: 1-833-219-9065
  - Website: <https://go.schoolmessenger.com>
  - Mobile app: SchoolMessenger
- ~ For more information visit: [www.asd-s.nbed.nb.ca](http://www.asd-s.nbed.nb.ca)

**Lost and Found:** We have a lost and found bin outside the front doors of the gym. This bin is starting to fill up! Please remind your child to take a look in the bin if they are missing an item. We always remind our students to use their lockers and locks to ensure that all of their personal belongings are kept safe.

~ Smile ~ Picture re-takes are Wednesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**Hot lunch:** We are starting our hot lunch program this week.

Please pay on cashless schools...

~ **Cashless schools:** Barnhill Memorial School is a cashless school for many expenses that families incur during the school year. Payments will be made electronically for hot lunches, school fees, athletic fees, Barnhill swag such as shirts and hoodies, school trips, etc. We encourage parents/guardians to register at <https://asds.schoolcashionline.com/>

Monday – Pasta with a fresh apple for \$4.00

Wednesday – Chicken poppers with parmesan sticks and a fresh apple for \$4.00 ~ **Please note that our vendor has informed us that the chicken poppers and parmesan sticks will be \$5.00. These are a very popular item, however are becoming very pricey. If you would like us to look at a different menu item, please let us know. Thank you.**

Friday – Cheese pizza with a fresh apple for \$3.00

## Save the date...

**October 1<sup>st</sup> – PSSC Orientation at District Office starting at 5:30 p.m. with a light supper.**

Please find attached an agenda, all are invited who want to be part of our P.S.S.C.

**“Into the Woods”** – As a school we have been invited to Harbour View High School on Wednesday, October 9<sup>th</sup> for the showing of “Into the Woods.” The tickets are \$5.00 a student. This is to be paid on Cashless Schools and we will be using student fees to pay for the transportation. It is very important that all students pay their student fees and if they want to attend the play, the \$5.00 for the ticket must be paid.

**October 8<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m.** We will have our first meeting for the Grade 8 Quebec Cultural Trip. We encourage all students and their parents/guardians to attend this meeting. We will be reviewing the itinerary as well as fund raising opportunities.

**October 11<sup>th</sup>** We will have a CELEBRATE Assembly. We will also have an Allergy Awareness assembly.

**October 14<sup>th</sup>** No school, this a holiday for Thanksgiving.

**October 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.** We will have our P.S.S.C. meeting. Mrs. Christy Cunningham is our Chair person, we will be voting for a Secretary at this meeting. All are welcome.

**WE Day Atlantic** – Members of our Student Representative Council have an opportunity to attend WE Day in Halifax at the Scotiabank Centre on Wednesday, October 16<sup>th</sup> with Madame Arbeau and Mrs. Blanchard. Permission slips have been sent home. The students and faculty advisors will be leaving the school on Tuesday, October 15<sup>th</sup> by chartered bus, spending the night in Halifax and returning after the WE Day event on Wednesday, October 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Babysitting Course** – The babysitting course will begin on Wednesday, October 16<sup>th</sup> after school. If students are interested in attending this course and have not signed up, they need to speak to Mrs. Muise.

**October 24<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.** We will have our Halloween Dance \$5.00 at the door as well as our Spook Trail for \$2.00 a ticket.

- **Please always listen to announcements for any and all updates. We also post our announcements on our website.**
- **Athletics and Activities:**  
~ All the teams have been picked for our fall sports, all of the athletes have their schedules. If there are any questions please ask Madame Van Steeg or Mr. Kyle for Soccer and Mrs. Graham for Cross Country.

~ Best Buddies group will be starting this month. The Best Buddies group recycles, so please put all your containers in the recycle bins, so Best Buddies may return these items for profit. Best Buddies do organize some field trips for their group throughout the year and this money helps to pay for those trips.

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

Thank you.

Ms. Jill Ferguson

“The time is always right to do what is right.” ~ Martin Luther King