



Brown's Flat School



December 2011



School Calendars

We will be selling Calendars as a fundraiser for our school with proceeds going to our playground fund. These calendars are being produced by Harvey Studios and will feature pictures of our students. If you would be interested in purchasing a calendar please fill out the order form that is being sent home. The cost of the calendar is \$10.00. We will not be collecting the money at this time. The calendars should be available in December. Payment will be due when you pick them up.



Parking



When parking in the school yard for special events would you please keep in mind that the community may be accessing the Community Center as well as the Blue Bins located in our school yard. When parking please ensure that space is available to enter the drive to the Community Center. We thank you in advance for your cooperation.

New Website

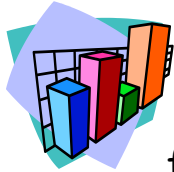
We have updated our website recently to a new format.

This site is another form of communicating with you and we hope that you will find it useful. If you have any comments or suggestions we look forward to hearing from you.





Update on School Improvement Perception Surveys 2011



The Department of Education and Early childhood Development has been conducting school improvement surveys for several years. These have included all parents, all teachers, and students in grades 4 - 12 in all schools. The surveys focus on characteristics of schools that are related to school effectiveness and are used for planning and improvement for school, districts and the department.

This year, the Department will begin a new survey cycle whereby all schools will receive the full set of three surveys every two years. Teacher surveys will continue annually. In addition, schools participating in the provincial school improvement reviews (15 % of schools chosen at random each year), will also receive all three surveys.

For our school, this means parent and student surveys will be distributed next school year.

The most current results for our school can be found at: http://www.gnb.ca/0000/results/index_e.html alongside the school's provincial assessment results.

Christmas in the Country



This year our "Christmas in the Country" will be held on December 9. This event proves to be lots of fun! There will be musical entertainment, live auction, a raffle for a \$100 gift card from Sobeys, Bake sale and canteen. This is the place to finish that Christmas shopping! Doors open at 5:15 and the auction and musical entertainment begin at 7:00 p.m.



Christmas Shopping Spree



Our annual shopping spree for the children will be Friday, December 16. This is how it works for our new parents: Items for men, women or children may be donated. (Dollar store or slightly used). These items are then placed on tables in the gym and the children are taken by class to choose a gift for their family. (Not necessarily the ones you donated!) The Home & School volunteers arrive on that day and help wrap gifts that each student has chosen. There is No Charge for these items. If you are able to donate anything (wrapping paper or gift items) for this event, please drop them off at any time in the office by Monday, December 5. This is an exciting event for our children!



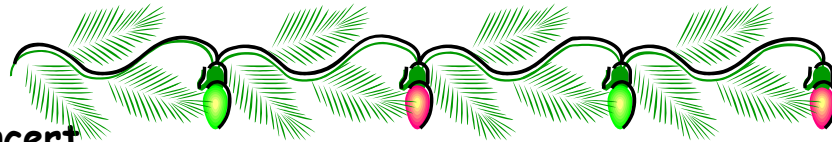
Seniors & Grandparents Sing Song



A wonderful part of the Christmas season is the gift of getting together with others. Please join us for a carol sing, cookies & cider on Monday, December 19 at 12:45 for a jolly good time!



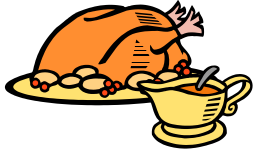
Christmas Concert



Our **Christmas concert** will be held on Tuesday evening, December 20 at 7:00 p.m. Please come and enjoy a wonderful evening of Christmas songs and recitations! Thank you for the support you give us throughout the year!



Annual Turkey Dinner

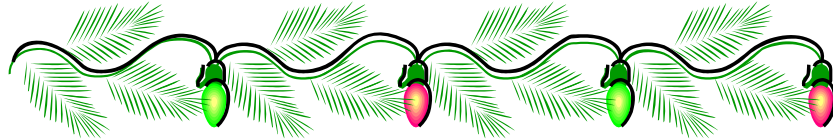


Our annual Turkey Dinner for students, staff & volunteers will be held on Wednesday, December 21 at 11:30 a.m. This dinner is prepared by students and staff. More information will follow.

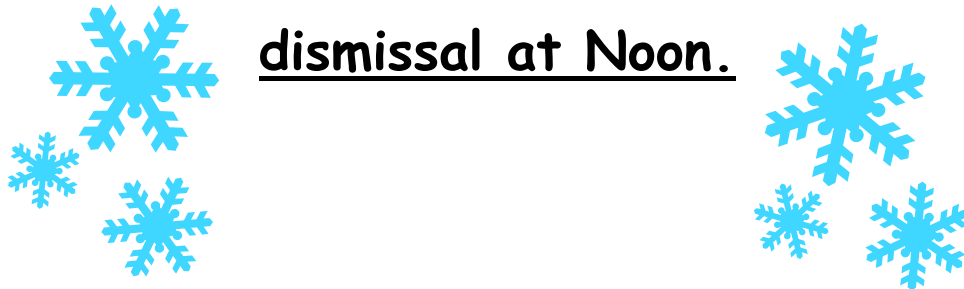


PSSC & Home & School

The PSSC & Home & School will meet Thursday, December 1 at 6:30.



Last Day for Students is December 23 with
dismissal at Noon.



See you January 10th

