

Gretna Green Elementary

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“A Great Place to Learn”

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Drama:

All students involved in Drama must make every effort to attend all the practices. Drama Festival will be held on May 27th, in Miramichi. Further information regarding the festival will be sent home at a later date. Parents are asked to pick up students at 4:00 p.m. at the gym door after practices. This year's play is "*Robin Hood and the King's Bling*". Practices are every Wednesday and Thursday after school.

Chess:

43 participants took part in Gretna Green Chess Tournament after a round robin competition, our winners were:

Grade 3: Kaitlyn Comeau 1st Sophie Poirier 2nd Gillian Cassidy 3rd

Grade 4: Brody Brown 1st Drew Blackmore 2nd Alex Williston 3rd

Grade 5: Koby Donovan 1st Patrick Hache 2nd Tyson Black 3rd

The 1st and 2nd place winners of the Gretna Green tournament advanced to the District 16 Chess Tournament in Rexton on March 14th. Winners at the District were:

Grade 3: Kaitlyn Comeau 2nd

Grade 4: Drew Blackmore 1st Brody Brown 3rd

Grade 5: Koby Donovan 1st

Congratulations and good luck as they will represent District 16 in the Provincial Tournament this Saturday, April 4th in Riverview.

Dr. Losier Basketball Spring League

Grade 3-4 Girls & Boys Monday & Thursday 6:15 – 7:30

Grade 5 – 7 Girls & Boys Monday & Thursday 4:45 – 6:00

Basketball:

The Miramichi Hoops Association is having a spring basketball league at Gretna Green:

The boys' practices, grades 2-6 will be held on Thursday from 6:00 -7:30 p.m. and Mr. Jim

Watters will be coaching. The girls, grades 2-3 will be held Wednesdays from 5:00-6:30 and the

girls, grades 4-5 will be held on Wednesdays from 6:30-8:30 p.m.. This starts on April 8th until

May 20th. For further information, contact Jim Watters at 622-4919 or james.watters@nbed.nb.ca.

Volleyball Camp

Mr. Tony VanBuskirk will be coaching volleyball for Gretna Green Elementary and this activity will begin April 18th and run until May 23rd. Grade 4 – 9:00-10:00 Grade 5 – 10:00 – 11:00.

Hop for MD

On Thursday, April 9th Gretna Green students will be hopping to raise awareness for Muscular Dystrophy during an afternoon assembly.

Math Family Fun Night:

Math Family Fun Night will take place Thursday, April 9th from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. We hope many families can attend for a fun night of math games and prizes for all.

Jump Rope for Heart

Thank you to all who raised money for Jump Rope for Heart. We raised \$2,700.00 for the Heart & Stroke Foundation. Thank you to Mr. Ryan for organizing this worthwhile event. Prizes will be in soon.

Home & School

The next Home & School meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 7th at 7:00 p.m.

Easter Week Fun

The Student Council has planned fun events throughout the week leading up to Easter. There will be a “Guess The Jelly Beans” jar all week. Guesses are \$.25 and can be purchased at lunch time.

Wednesday, April 8th will be Spring Fling Day – Tuesday Mrs. Simmon’s will make a draw for spring colors. Each class will be given a spring color to dress in for Wednesday. The class with the most participation wins an ice cream party.

On Thursday, April 9th the student council will be hiding Easter eggs in each home room. Students will be treated to an Easter Egg Hunt right after lunch recess.

A Night for Parents:

A special evening for parents and others. Hal Urban presents Talking to your Kids: 10 suggestions for parents on April 30th, 7:00 p.m. at Bernice MacNaughton High School in Moncton, fee admission.

Grade 6 French Immersion

The deadline to enroll students in Grade 6 French Immersion is April 15th.

Comings & Goings

We welcome Ms. Bransfield back to Gretna Green. She will be returning from her one year maternity leave on April 6th. Ms. Bransfield will resume her duties as Vice-Principal and as Grade 2 teacher on that date. Thank you to Mrs. Gallant & Ms. Bowes who covered in her absence.

Congratulations to Mr. Briggs, Custodian II, who retired on March 20th. Mr. McGraw has been filling in until a permanent replacement is hired.

Thank you and good luck to Mrs. Bolan, our temporary secretary, who will be leaving us on April 20th. Mrs. Kara Clark was hired to replace Mrs. Comeau as our full time Secretary. Mrs. Clark will start at Gretna Green on April 20th.

Science Fair

Congratulations to Kamryn Morehouse, who won 1st place at the District Science Fair, in Nelson. As well congratulation Brydie Trevors and Shaylin McFarlane who won 2nd place. Six projects from Gretna Green were sent to the District Science Fair, they were *Recycling* by Madison Matchett, *Rotten Fruit* by Zachary Miersch, *Moldy Bread* by Erin Savard and Laureen MacTavish, *Gummy Worms* by Thomas Manderson and *Popcorn* by Shaylin McFarlane and Brydie Trevors, *Paper Towels* by Kamryn Morehouse. Congratulations to all students who participated in our School Science Fair

Shining Stars

Jayden Jones and Spenser Daigle were sent to the office on a positive referral during the month of March. Both boys were sent for being all around great students. Congratulations.

Lost & Found

There are **MANY** items of clothing in our Lost and Found at school. Everything from the Lost & Found will be put out on the cafeteria tables during Parent/Teachers Interviews. Please check to see if your child has left clothing behind.

Important Dates to Remember:

April 3 rd	Parent/Teacher Interviews – No School
April 10 th	Good Friday – No School
April 13 th	Easter – No School
April 30 and May 1 st	Subject Council Day – No School
May 10 th	Mother's Day! ☺
May 18 th	Victoria Day – No School