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# June 2012

## Message from Mrs. Simmons

*I recently made the extremely difficult decision to step down as Principal of Gretna Green Elementary. This was a very challenging decision for me to make, as I enjoy being the leader of our learning community and I find the job to be fulfilling, exciting and at times, entertaining. However, I also find myself constantly being torn between my personal and professional life. It is because of this that I will be returning to the classroom. I know that whoever is blessed enough to take over after me will enjoy the job as much as I did. Gretna Green is an exceptional school with students, parents and teachers that are remarkable. I look forward to this change in my professional career.*

## Home & School

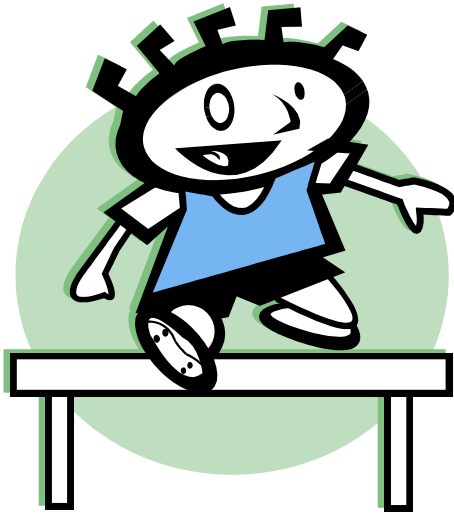
Our Home & School will be holding its volunteer dinner and meeting on Tuesday, June 12th. Elections for the 2012-2013 executive will be held in the fall.

## Staffing

To date, we are still in the process of finalizing our staffing for the 2012-2013 school year. As soon as this is finalized, parents will be notified.

## Last Day of School - Friday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>

Our last day of school will be a half day for students and teachers. Dismissal will be at 11:00 am and busses will start their pick up at that time.



### Gr. K-2 Fun Day

We need parent volunteers for our K-2 Fun Day on Tuesday, June 19<sup>th</sup>. If you are willing to help out, please return the attached form or contact the school at 778-6099.

### Gr. 3-5 Track & Field

Tuesday, June 19<sup>th</sup> is our Track & Field Day at JMH for Grades 3-5. We would like to remind you that the children are outside from 9:00 am-2:00 pm that day. Please send water, sunscreen and hats. The Home & School will have their shade shelter at the event for students and staff. There will be no rain date for this event.

### Summer Reading Swap

We want to encourage our students to continue reading over the summer so we are going to continue our **Summer Reading Program** again this year. Our children all have books at home that they have read and they could use some new ones for the summer. We are asking students to bring in books to "swap" for "new" ones with other students.

**WHEN: Wednesday June 20, 2012**

(throughout the morning in Mrs. Morehouse's classroom)

**WHAT: Students bring in books that they no longer want to read and are willing to donate to the Summer Reading Swap.**

(Students can start bringing donated books into the school now.)

**HOW: Classes will take turns viewing donated books and each student will pick "new" ones to take home to read and enjoy for the summer.**

Thank you in advance for supporting our Summer Reading Swap. It is important to encourage children to continuing reading over the summer and this is a fun way to get some "new to you" books! Please only send books that you are willing to donate and do not expect to have returned.

### Field Trips

There are many field trips planned for June. Please ensure that your child is dressed appropriately for the weather.

### Student Placement

Teachers will be meeting in June to make up the class lists for September. Your child's placement will be on their June report. We will not accept requests for specific teachers. We thank you for respecting our professional judgments.

## ***Gretna Green Well Mannered Students***

Throughout this past year, students at Gretna Green have been working hard at perfecting their manners. This year we have focused on the following manners:

- ✓ Living and playing by "The Golden Rule"
- ✓ Greeting with a smile and say "Hello!"
- ✓ Always say "Please" and "Thank You"
- ✓ Say "Excuse Me" to interrupt
- ✓ Hold the door for others

## ***Tim Hortons Bike Safety Rodeo***

On Saturday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> from 9:30-12:00 there will be a Bike Safety Rodeo at the Golden Hawk Parking Lot in Chatham. Participants must present themselves at the Golden Hawk parking lot between 9:30-10:00 am to confirm their presence and to receive their registration kit. Participants must bring a bicycle and a proper fitting bicycle helmet. If you have any questions, please call 622-5172.

## ***Basketball Camps***

There will be a basketball camp held by local basketball coaches during the week of July 2-6 at the MVHS Gym. There will be two sessions offered each day: K-5 players from 9:00-12:00 and 6-8 players from 1:00-4:00. The deadline for registration is June 20 and the fee is \$60.00. Registration forms can be picked up at the office.

The Miramichi Pulamoo Girls Basketball Camp will run again this year after seven very successful summers. Two sessions will be available during the week of Monday, August 27- Friday, August 31, Grades 1-5 (as of Sept 2012) 9am - 12pm, Grades 6-9 (as of Sept 2012) 5pm - 8pm. Registration forms can be picked up at the office.

## ***Thank You!***

Thanks for your continued support throughout the school year. Super students, supportive parents and a hard working staff make Gretna Green "A Great Place to Learn". Our first day back this fall is Tuesday, September 4<sup>th</sup>. Remember that our new Kindergarten students will have a two day staggered entry. See you then.



# *Volunteer Sign Up*

*Please return to the school if interested*

## **Grades K-2 Fun Day at Gretna Green**

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Yes, I am able to help out with the K-2 Fun Day at Gretna Green on Tuesday, June 19<sup>th</sup>.

\_\_\_\_ No, I am unable to help out at that time.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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## **Grades 3-5 Track & Field Day at James M. Hill Memorial High School**

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Yes, I am able to help out with the Grades 3-5 Track & Field Day at James M. Hill on Tuesday, June 19<sup>th</sup>.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_