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# NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER 2015

# Sign In Policy

We would like to remind all visitors to Gretna Green to please sign in at the office and put on your visitors tag and sign out and upon leaving the building. This helps to identify all people circulating within our building and improve the overall safety of your children and our staff.

# Scholastic Book Fair



We will be holding our annual Scholastic Book Fair during the week of November 16<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup>. Students will be visiting the Book Fair on Monday, November 17<sup>th</sup> to see all the wonderful and amazing books the Fair has to offer. Times for the Fair are as follows: Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday - 9:00 - 2:30 p.m. and on Thursday (parent/teacher evening) from 9:00 - 2:30 p.m. and again from 4:00-7:00 p.m.

We look forward to seeing everyone there!

# Science East Family Night of Fun!!!

We would like to invite all Gretna Green families to a night of Science Fun on Thursday, November 26<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-7:30 pm in our school gymnasium. You will be treated to an array of awesome and fun Science activities organized by Science East from Fredericton. So mark this important evening of fun on your calendars and come join us for a great evening!

# Fall Fundraiser

Our school fundraiser was a huge success again this year with students raising approximately \$6000 for school activities. Thanks to everyone who supported our fundraiser. Here is a list of the prize winners: 1<sup>st</sup> place - Tanner T. (4D)

2<sup>nd</sup> place - George C. (3L) 3<sup>rd</sup> place - Breanna W. (3G)

Pizza Party K-2 - Miss Matheson Kindergarten class Pizza Party 3-5 - Mme. Lockerbie's Grade 3 class

We would like to thank Goji's, John Fitzpatrick & Robert Holmes for their kind donations in support of our fundraiser.

Items from the Norcard Gift/Food Catalogue should be arriving at the school within 3-4 weeks.

### Remembrance Day Program

This year's Remembrance Day Program will be held on Tuesday, November 10<sup>th</sup> at 10:15 a.m. in our school gymnasium. Again this year, we will be running a slide show of student art work for the ceremony in addition to veterans who have served in service both past and present known to members of our learning community. If you have a photo of any family member who may



have served in the past or present please forward a copy of this photo to Mr. Comeau via email, <u>keith.comeau@nbed.nb.ca</u> prior to November 6th. We will include this special souvenir in our slide show, thank you!

# School Improvement Plan & Goals

If you are you interested in viewing our School Improvement Plan and Goals, take the time and read it. It is located on our school homepage. Simply click the School Plan & Goals tab located on the left hand side of our page.

# <u>Report Cards</u>



Report cards go home on Monday, November 16<sup>th</sup>. Our parent/teacher interviews will be held on Thursday, November 19<sup>th</sup> from 4:00-7:00 p.m. and during the morning of Friday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00-11:00 a.m. A form will be sent home in the coming days for you to sign and return for an interview time.

#### Kindergarten 2016-2017 Registration

Kindergarten registration for the 2016-2017 school year is still occurring at your community school. If you have not already done so, please register your child born in 2011 so you do not miss important meetings and updates.

#### <u>Christmas Concert</u>



Our Christmas Concert will be held on Wednesday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 10:00 am with the storm date being the following day. It will be held at the **James M. Hill High School** theatre. We needed to change the venue this year due to anticipated construction taking place in our current gymnasium. Our school choir will begin singing at 9:45 am. We will be accepting cash donations at the door as a good will offering

towards the purchase of new playground equipment for our new school.

#### Home & School

There will be a Home & School meeting on Tuesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in the Library. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

# Nut-Free School



This is a very important reminder that Gretna Green Elementary is a **nut-free school**. We have students and staff with extreme nut allergies. Please do not send any lunch or snack items that contain any nuts, such as peanut butter, Nutella, almond butter, etc. We also request that you do not send Wow Butter as it is too difficult to distinguish between it and peanut butter. Thank you for your continued cooperation.

# Grade 5 Class Trip Fundraising

Each year our Grade 5 students raise funds throughout the school year in order to take an end of the year. As an on-going fundraiser, the class has an account set up at Hebert's Bottle Recycling in Chatham and they will accept bottles from parents/friends/family members and credit the refund to the Grade 5 account. If you are interested in helping out the Grade 5 class, please visit Hebert's with your recyclables and tell them to credit the refund to Gretna Green's account. Thank you for your support.

# <u>St. Samuel's Christmas Wreaths</u>

St. Samuel's Parish is pre-selling Christmas wreaths. Made from balsam fir, the wreath is 18 inches in diameter and will come complete with beautiful bow made from 10 feet of ribbon. Wreath will be available for pick-up from St. Samuel's Parish Centre on Nov. 28 & 29. Last day for orders is Nov. 15. Price: \$20.00. For more info or to place an order, please contact: 622-8417 (day); 778-8511 (evng/w'end).

#### Important Reminders

- We want to remind parents to **please stop for the** <u>red flashing lights</u> on the school **busses** when entering the school parking lot before and after school. Also, please do not drop your children off at the school before 7:50 a.m. for Grades 3-5 and 8:45 a.m. for
- Grades K-2. No supervision is available until after these times. Your cooperation with these matters is greatly appreciated.

# Important Dates To Remember

Tuesday, November 3 - Home & School Meeting at 6:30 pm Tuesday, November 10 - Remembrance Day Ceremony at 10:15 am Wednesday, November - NO SCHOOL Remembrance Day Monday, November 16 - Report Cards go home today Monday, November 16-19 - Scholastic Book Fair Week Thursday, November 19 - Scholastic Book Fair Family Night 4-7 pm Thursday, November 19 - Parent Teacher Interviews 4-7 pm Friday, November 20 - NO SCHOOL Parent Teacher Interviews 9-11 am / PD for teachers Thursday, November 26 - Science East Family Night 6:00-7:30 pm Friday, November 27 - PJ Day Wednesday, December 2 - Christmas Concert at JMH Theatre 10:00 am