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1st Annual Fall Fair Fundraiser

This year's fundraising campaign is our Fall Fair. This will take place on Saturday, October 1st from 1:00-4:00 pm. There will be lots of activities for your family. During the Fall Fair we will also have "Drive One 4UR School" Ford Test Drive. Our school can earn up to \$6000.00 on this alone! QSP magazine subscriptions will also be available. Please check our website for a direct link to QSP to order your subscriptions online. This link will be available to use for the entire school year.



Kindergarten Registration Week

Registration for children entering Kindergarten in September 2012 will be held from October 11th-14th at your community school. Parents are reminded that Kindergarten attendance in 2012-2013 is compulsory for children born in 2007, except if a child is born between September 1st and December 31st of that year. These children have the option of starting Kindergarten the following year. If you have a child entering Kindergarten next year, please call the school at 778-6099 or visit the main office between 8:30 am-3:00 pm to have him or her registered. Proof of immunization, birth certificate and Medicare cards are required at the time of registration. It is important that your child be registered at this time in order to receive information needed for pre-school screening and successful transition into school for September 2012.



*****The first Kick-Off To Kindergarten meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 19th in the GG Library at 6:30 pm*****

Scholastic Book Fair

Our Fall **Scholastic Book Fair** will be held during the week of October 17-20th with Family Night on Thursday, October 20th from 4:30-6:30 p.m. Come out and support Gretna Green's Library. This year's theme is "To The Book Fair & Beyond".



Interim Reports



Interim Reports will be going home on Friday, October 14th. This is an update on how your child has performed during the first month and half of school. A full progress report will be sent home in November. If you have concerns about your child's progress, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher.

Mad Science Program



The Mad Science Program will be starting on Thursday, October 6th from 2:30-3:30 p.m. Students must be picked up at the school at 3:30 p.m. Seats are very limited. So if you haven't signed your child up, please call the school to check availability.

Head Lice

It is that time of year again, when we are asking parents to be diligent in checking their child's head for signs of head lice. If you discover lice, children must be treated with NIX Shampoo or any other lice shampoo. Students are not allowed to return to school until there are no signs of live lice. Please contact the school to inform us if you discover lice. For further information on how to deal with lice, you may also contact the school or your pharmacist.

Important Reminders



We want to remind parents to **please stop for the red flashing lights 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.

Breakfast Program

We are accepting donations to our Breakfast program in the form of money, bread, jam or Cheese Whiz. The program serves our students daily and is an important part of our school. Your support is always appreciated.





Halloween Week Activities

Our student Council has planned fun activities for Halloween week:

✂ **Monday, October 24th - Pumpkin Decorating Day**
All classes will be given a pumpkin to decorate in a unique way

✂ **Tuesday, October 25th - Buddy Reading Halloween Stories**

Classes will be reading stories with their buddy classes and boys dress like girls and girls dress like boys

✂ **Wednesday, October 26th - Scary Hair Day**

✂ **Thursday, October 27th - Orange & Black Day**

Come to school dressed all in orange and/or all in black or both

✂ **Friday, October 28th - Parade of Costumes & Wrap the Teacher Mommy Contest**

Students can bring their costumes to school. After lunch, Teacher Mummy Contest will take place in the gym



From October 17-20th, the student council will hold their annual Candy Guess. Each guess is \$0.25 and the correct guesser wins all the candy!!! Winner will be announced on October 20th.

Remember to check out our website for updates, notices, class pages, calendars, newsletters and daily announcements!

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Bully Awareness & Prevention

Gretna Green is committed to creating a bully-free school. We continue to practice the Golden Rule "Treat Others How You Want To Be Treated". On Monday, October 24th, our students, along with Harkins Elementary, will be treated to a Paul Behnke presentation called "Bully and the Purple Pants". We will continue to educate our students on bullying prevention and awareness.

Grade 5 Class Trip Fundraising



Each year our Grade 5 class raises funds throughout the school year to take an end of the year trip to the Moncton Zoo and Magic Mountain. As an ongoing fundraiser, the class has an account set up at Hebert's Bottle Recycling in Chatham and they will accept bottles at Hebert's from parents/friends/family members and credit the refund to the Grade 5 class 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.

Fire Prevention Week

October 11-14th is Fire Prevention Week. The Miramichi Fire Department will be giving a presentation to our students on October 12th about fire prevention.

Curriculum Day - October 21st

This is a reminder that there will be no school for students as teachers will be participating in province-wide mandated Curriculum Days.

PSSC Meeting



The first PSSC meeting this year will take place on Wednesday, October 26th at 6:30 p.m. in the Library.

Home & School



The Home & School meeting for this month will be held on Tuesday, October 25th at 6:30 p.m. in the Media Room. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

Microwaves

Please remember that the cafeteria time is only 20 minutes and the microwave lines are long. If at all possible, please send a lunch that doesn't need to be heated. Thank you!

Cross Country

Our season is going well and students are having fun. There are two more meets before this year's season comes to an end - Wednesday, October 5th at England's Hollow, Wednesday, October 12th at French Fort Cove. Thank you to parents for helping to transport our students to the meets. As well, thank you to our coaches, Mrs. Hosford and Mrs. Simmons for dedicating their time.



Soccer



Again this year, we have many students who participated in Soccer. The date for the end-of-the-season jamboree is Saturday, October 15th at the Gretna Green field. More information will be sent home soon. Thank you to Mr. Ryan and Mrs. Gallant for their continued commitment to our soccer team.

Basketball Clinic

Coach Gaiter from Lee Academy and Coach Math Skinn will host a basketball clinic for boys and girls in grades 5-9. The clinics will be Saturday, October 15th at 10:00 a.m. The boys will be at Carrefour Beausoleil and the girls will be at MVHS. These clinics are being offered in association with the University Hoops Showcase on the river. Interested players are asked to contact Mr. Jim Watters at james.watters@nbed.nb.ca



Miramichi Hoops Basketball Association

Registration for girls and boys Miramichi Hoops programs will take place October 15th from 1:00-5:00 p.m. at MVHS.

****Shining Stars****

The following students were sent to the office during the month of September on Positive Referrals

Julianna Augustine - 3G

Kamryn Morehouse - 5G

Cole Tweedie - 2G

Marcus Wilson - KM

Way To Go!!!

