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Welcome to Green Green Elementary

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# October Newsletter 2010



#### Fundraiser 10-11

This year's fundraising campaign will begin during the week of October 4<sup>th</sup>. We will be having our annual Magazine Subscription Fundraiser from QSP along with a new fundraiser that is sure to catch your eye! Atlantic Community Coupons is a new fundraising initiative based in Miramichi. Your child will be bringing home an order form for you to look at that will list all of the coupons available in the booklet. Booklets are \$25.00 each and you will receive over \$3400.00 in savings coupons. The school receives \$10.00 for every booklet sold. There will be booklets available in the office for you to look at so you know exactly what you are buying. Top Seller prizes are very exciting this year too!! More information on our fundraising campaign will be sent home soon. Thank you for your continued support of our school!

## 2011-2012 Kindergarten Registration Week October 12th - 15th, 2010

Registration for children entering Kindergarten in September 2011 will be held from October 12<sup>th</sup> to October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at your community school. Parents are reminded that Kindergarten attendance in 2011-2012 is compulsory for children born in 2006, except if a child is born between September 1<sup>st</sup> and December 31<sup>st</sup> 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. Medicare cards and proof of immunization 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 2011.



## Walking School Bus

Our first Walking School Bus of the year will take place on Friday, October 1<sup>st</sup>. Staff, students, parents and community members are invited to meet at the Northumberland Square Mall at 7:20 a.m. We will be leaving promptly at 7:30 a.m. to begin our walk to school. This walk helps promote a healthy lifestyle and supports October's International Walk to School month.



#### 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.

## Curriculum Days Oct. 7th, 8th & 27th

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

#### Fire Prevention Week

October  $3^{rd}$ - $9^{th}$  is Fire Prevention Week. The Miramichi Fire Department will be giving a presentation to our students on October  $5^{th}$  about Fire Prevention.



## Home & School Meeting



This month, our Home & School meeting is on Wednesday, October  $27^{th}$  at 6:00 pm in the cafeteria. Please join us. We encourage and welcome new members all the time.

## PSSC Meeting



The first PSSC meeting this year will take place on Tuesday, October  $12^{th}$  at 7:00 pm in the library. Everyone is welcome to attend.

## Scholastic Book Fair



Our Scholastic Book Fair will be held from November 1- $4^{th}$ . More information will be sent home this month.

#### Terry Fox Walk

Due to the rain, we held our annual Terry Fox Walk inside the school on Friday, September 24<sup>th</sup>. Students were asked to help raise funds for this event by bringing in spare change. Any student who brought in a loonie received a ballot for a chance to win "Principal of the Day" and "Vice-Principal of the Day". The lucky winner of the Principal of the day was Katie Kennedy in 1 O'Toole and Jordan Rupke, also in 1 O'Toole, was chosen as the Vice-Principal of the Day.

#### 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!

## <u>Staffing</u>

We would like to welcome Mrs. Lisa McKibbon to Gretna Green Elementary. She has joined us as our new Breakfast Program Worker. We are very pleased to have Lisa at our school and we thank her for taking on this assignment.

#### Holly Tea & Craft Sale



Our annual Holly Tea & Craft Sale will take place on Saturday, December  $4^{th}$ . We will be sending home more information in November's newsletter on this event.

## Cross Country

Our season is going well and students are having fun. There are three more meets before this year's season comes to an end - Wednesday, October 6<sup>th</sup> at Croft Elementary, Wednesday, October 13<sup>th</sup> at Gretna Green and Wednesday, October 20<sup>th</sup> at French Fort Cove. Thank you to parents for helping to transport our students to the meets. As well, thank you to our coaches, Mr. Buggie, Mrs. Simmons and Mr. MacIntosh, for dedicating their time.



## <u>Soccer</u>



Again this year, we have many students who participated in Soccer. The date for the end-of-season-jamboree is Saturday, October 16<sup>th</sup>. More information on the location will be sent home soon. Thank you to Mr. Ryan and Mr. Cabel for coaching this team. Check our website for dates for regularly scheduled games.

#### Miramichi Hoops Basketball Association



Miramichi Hoops Basketball Association will be holding registration for the 2010-2011 basketball season on Saturday, October 2 from 10:00 AM until 3:00 PM at Miramichi Valley High School Gymnasium. Miramichi Hoops will be offering programs for Small Ball, Junior Mini, Senior Mini and Bantam for both

boys and girls this season. Junior and Senior Mini programs will begin on Sunday, October 10<sup>th</sup> at Miramichi Valley High School (girls at 1:30 PM and boys at 3:15 PM). The Small Ball program will begin on Saturday, November 6<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM at Gretna Green. The Bantam program will begin at the end of the Middle School season in February. For further information contact Jim Watters at james.watters@nbed.nb.ca

#### Important Dates

October 1 - Walking School Bus

October 3-9 - Fire Prevention Week October 7, 8 & 27-C.I. Days NO SCHOOL

October 11 - Thanksgiving Day NO SCHOOL

October 12-15 - 2010-2011 Kindergarten Registration Week

October 20 - Picture Retakes

Oct 25-29 - Halloween Activity Week









# Halloween Week Activities

Our student Council has planned fun activities for Halloween week:

Monday, October 25<sup>th</sup> - Pumpkin Decorating Day All classes will be given a pumpkin to decorate in a unique way



 Tuesday, October 26<sup>th</sup> - Spooky Story Day & Scary Mixed-Up Day

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

- Wednesday, October 27<sup>th</sup> NO SCHOOL
- \* Thursday, October 28<sup>th</sup> Orange & Black Day
  Come to school dressed all in orange and/or all in black or
  both
  - Friday, October 29<sup>th</sup> 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

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

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