



MARCH

Important Dates

- Tuesday, March 12:** 4S & 4F Swimming.
- Thursday, March 14:** 4S & 4F Swimming.
- Friday, March 15:** 4L trip to the Wetlands.
- Friday, March 15:** H&S Movie Night in the gym!
- Tuesday, March 19:** 4C Swimming.
- Thursday, March 21:** 4C Swimming.
- Thursday, March 21:** Yearbook forms due.
- Friday, March 22:** No School for students. Professional Learning and Report card prep day for teachers.
- Tuesday, March 26:** 4C Swimming.
- Tuesday, March 26:** French Music presentation with Art Richard for Grade 1-4 FI
- Thursday, March 28:** 4C Swimming.
- Monday, April 1 – Thursday, April 4:** Last week for Trailblazers and LINKS tutoring
- Thursday, April 4:** Report card day for second term.
- Friday, April 5:** No school for students. Professional Learning and Parent-teacher interview day for teachers.

From the Principal's Desk

Welcome back! I hope everyone had a restful March Break!

A big thank you to all of the students and staff who made our Winter Carnival week such an enjoyable experience before March Break. Students participated in funny dress up days, outdoor activities, and a bulletin board decorating contest. The bulletin boards were decorated by students using their artwork with an Arctic theme in mind. Students had the opportunity to view all of the bulletin boards and every class voted for their favourite one. Congratulations to Mme Christie's grade 4 class who placed third, Mme Flemming's grade 4 class who placed second, and Mrs. Tingley's grade 1 class and Mrs. Ward's grade 2 class who placed first.

Once again, we would like to recognize all of the hard work Ms. Kissick and Ms. Cail have put into our breakfast program. Their continued effort has not gone unnoticed. We would like to welcome and thank Lindsay Cary who has stepped in as our breakfast program coordinator. Attached to the email with our newsletter, you will also find a little information about our Breakfast Club.

We are looking forward to seeing all of you near the end of the month as teachers have their parent-teacher interviews or student-led portfolios.

Sincerely,

Ada Phinney

Home & School News

Salem Elementary Home and School Association
Presents

popcorn
& **pajamas**
movie night

Friday, March 15, 2019

Featuring

RALPH BREAKS THE INTERNET

Location: Salem Gym

Doors Open at 6:00pm Movie Starts at 6:30pm

FREE ADMISSION | DONATIONS APPRECIATED

Popcorn and drinks will be available for purchase.

Raffle prizes to be won!

All proceeds from this event will benefit the students of Salem Elementary School.

Don't forget to wear your PJs, bring your blanket and pillow and enjoy this fun filled family night!

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**Popcorn and Drinks Generously
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Our first
place winner!



Classroom News

Kindergarten: In Kindergarten, we are reading lots of books about winter and healthy living. We have discussed many ways to enjoy the season and keep our bodies healthy and strong! Playing outside every day (except on those freezing cold days!) helps put our learning into practice!

Grade 1 – 2 Eng.: The grade one and two English classes have been using exploratory learning centers to meet curriculum outcomes across all subjects. Some of our learning activities and explorations have been creating meals and role playing in a housekeeping corner with costumes and play money, sinking and floating with expanding water beads, "Build It" exploration with recyclables, Keva planks, and Lego and Pattern Block challenges to name a few!

Grade 1 FI: February was a short but productive month in Grade 1 FI. Students enjoyed a special presentation from a magical reading fairy, Féeli Tout (Cindy Roy)! Students were engaged in French Culture while Féeli Tout read books about "La rivière chocolat" and all of her magical adventures.

Grade 2 FI: Students are actively involved in building our learning themes throughout this year. The theme we are focusing on this month is "Ourselves: Then and Now". Students are also reflecting on their social learning with their peers during play-based centers.

Grade 3 – 4 Eng.: Students have participated in a variety of reading, writing, and art activities to learn about the history and culture of First Nations in New Brunswick. We have completed our unit on procedural writing and we will begin learning about how to write a persuasive piece of writing using facts to justify our opinions.

Grade 3 FI: We are well underway in our guided math groups. Students are working on activities that are based on their needs. With the support of a STEM mentor, STEM activities have now been added in our weekly routine to promote problem solving, reasoning, perseverance, collaboration and communication. Our goal is focusing on inquiry based-learning.

Grade 4 FI: In math, the grade 4 students have been working on division with and without remainders for basic facts. We will soon begin studying fractions and relating it to decimals. In French language arts, we continue to practice our literacy skills through centers and are working on our writing skills. In social studies, students will begin a study on Canada and its physical regions.



Gentle Reminders

Garbage Bags! If you haven't picked up your garbage bags, they are available for pick up at the office. We also have extra packages of garbage bags for anyone who would like to purchase more. The package includes 20 medium blue, 20 medium clear, and 20 small green bags for \$10.

Yearbooks! Yearbook order forms are due on **Thursday, March 21**. Please send in any orders as soon as you can!

Agenda Fees! Invoices have been sent home for students who have not paid their agendas fees. You can pay the fee using School Cash Online or by cash or cheque. Please make cheques payable to Salem Elementary School.

Student Profile Sheets! Student Profile Sheets will be coming home. Please review the information and make any necessary changes. Please return forms by **Monday, March 18th**.

Did You Know?

March 11th was the 100th Day of School! Some of classes celebrated the 100th day of school with various math games, writing prompts and art projects. We are excited to be 100 days smarter than we were at the beginning of the year!

Learning Adventures

The second round of Learning Adventures will come to an end on Friday, March 15th. Students have been practicing their acting skills, building skills, teaching skills, and kindness skills since January. Our Community Connections group connected with local groups to learn about what Sackville has to offer. Students collected items for the food bank and plan to deliver these on Friday. The STEM group explored building bridges. The teachers have challenged the students to build a bridge that can withstand the weight of 4 textbooks! Students in our Sports and Wellness learning adventure learned about invasion games. They were given the opportunity to create their own game and will use what they have learned to teach this to a friend! Students in the Fine Arts learning adventure have developed a performance about dreams, incorporating and presenting their ideas through singing, choreography, drama, and percussive sound effects.