



| <u>March</u> | |
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| 2-6 | March Break |
| <u>April</u> | |
| 3 | PD & Report Card Prep – no classes K-8 |
| 10 | Good Friday – No classes |
| 13 | Easter Monday – No classes |
| 17 | Parent Teacher – no classes K-12 |
| <u>May</u> | |
| 1 | Provincial Council Day – no classes |
| 4 | AEFNB/NBTA Annual Meeting – no classes |
| 18 | Victoria Day – no classes |
| <u>June</u> | |
| 19 | Last day of school |

Winter Theme Week

The week of Feb. 24th to 28th will be our Winter Theme week. Each day will have a theme and we encourage everyone to take part.

Monday – Pink Day
Tuesday – Crazy Hair Day
Wednesday – Favorite T-shirt Day
Thursday – Sports Day
Friday – PJ Day

Please keep these themes in mind and we hope everyone will have some fun with it! Information regarding this will come home with your child the week prior.

School Closure? Delay of buses?

Your questions can be answered on local radio stations, on the ASD-S website, or . . .

- http://twitter.com/ASD_South
- Phone line (toll free): **1-855-535-7669 [SNOW]**

Celebrate notes . . .

The funds that have come from recycling of juice boxes and cans over the year were used to purchase a number of student-chosen books. These books will be placed in our school library, dedicated to the memory of a long-time school bus driver who passed away last year. Susan Walsh's family will be here for this dedication. A very fitting way to recognize Susan's many years of service to the children of AES.

*Placed in memory of Susan Walsh,
Bus Driver #818
by the students and staff of
Apohaqui Elementary School
January 31, 2020*



We are excited to be going to the Imperial Theatre in Saint John on Friday, Feb. 21 to see The Joshua Show! All students and staff will be bused for the 10:00 a.m. show. A lively, sweet, honest and heartwarming children's puppet show full of funny characters and so much more!

Skating Day

February 14th is Skating Day!



Primary students (K, Grade 1 and Grade 2)

students will be arriving at the rink about 8:45 and **Grades 3-5** at about 9:30.

Parents/grandparents are welcome to join us. The students enjoy skating with family and we can always use extra hands to put on and tie skates. However, younger siblings cannot be on the ice surface during this designated school rental.

Remember, all students are required to have helmets and skates to be on the ice. When transporting skates on buses, they should be in backpacks or kit bags (please no plastic bags as blades can cut through these and be a safety hazard). Dressing in layers can also be helpful because children often get warm from the physical activity.

BIG THANKS TO:

Norton United Baptist Church, and Church of the Ascension ACW, Apohaqui for the wonderful donation of hats, mitts and socks – our students love them!



We recently received a letter from the Regional Service Commission explaining how we have contributed to the battery recycling program. With our help, there was 2.6 tonnes (5732 lbs.) of batteries diverted from the landfill in 2019. Since its inception in 2013, our region has diverted 12.26 tonnes (27,029 lbs.) of batteries from the landfill!!! Our participation here at AES makes a big difference in keeping our community clean and environment safe.

HOME & SCHOOL UPDATE

This month is full of fun. We have planned our Family fun Night, which is always so much fun. Family Fun Night will be on Friday February 21 from 6 to 8p.m. Come have fun, enjoy some great family games!

Our Pie fundraiser will be in time for Easter, details for when ordering will begin will be in next newsletter.

The hot lunch program is still the same options until March. Then there will be new options to choose from for the months of April, May and June.

**Remember to Like & Follow us on facebook @
Apohaqui Home & School Association**

Attendance Matters!

PERFECT ATTENDANCE MONTH OF JANUARY

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| Hannah A. | Rae B. | Adison C. |
| Bently D. | Lucas F. | Blake Ga. |
| Izabella G. | Avery H. | Claire L. |
| Cale M. | Reid M. | Jacob Mc. |
| Brayden Mc | Declan O | Parker O |
| Jensen P. | Dylan T.C. | Kyle W. |

Congratulations !

MARCH HOT LUNCH:

Student: _____ Gr _____

Milk Money

17 Days X .45 = \$7.65

Choc _____ White _____

Monday Hot Lunch (Chicken Soup with roll)

4 days X \$4.00 = \$16.00

Wednesday Hot Lunch (Mac & Cheese, Veggies)

3 days X \$4.10 = \$12.30

Friday Hot Lunch (Pizza, Veggies)

3 days X \$3.00 = \$9.00

Total \$ Amount _____

PAYMENT DUE ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18



As part of Literacy Week, a story was written as it passed from class to class. Here is our completed tale!

This day at Apohaqui Elementary School, it was a cold, sunny morning. Sunflower, an orange and white fluffy cat from next door, strolled over to the playground. The students were playing tag with each other until...

The fire alarm rang! BRIIIINNNGG!

Sunflower said a loud, "Meoww" and ran to the Grade 1\2 line-up. Quickly and quietly, the students all followed the cat.

After grade 1\2 settled in their line, Sunflower noticed that there were still other children left on the playground. He scurried to all of the grade 2\3 children and whined to get their attention. And then...

He nudges with his head, claws at their pants, and flicks ash from the fire into their pants and finally he gets their attention. The kids responded "Sunflower, what do you want?" Sunflower pointed with his nose towards

the group of students that were looking at the fox on the other side of the fence.

The fox was sitting by a bonfire in the field. He was cold from his long voyage on the back of the train and was sipping on hot cocoa. The ashes from the bonfire were falling like snow onto the playground. Sunflower sprinted with a big leap over the fence and befriended the fox. The two new friends sipped on their cocoa together and the kids watched with smiles on their faces.



Did you put the Storm Day Journal in a safe place?

All students received a journal as part of Literacy Week. These are for a focus on writing any day that may interrupt your child's school learning.

I look forward to reading some stories about what happens on storm days at your home.

It's Staff Appreciation Week next week and this note is to all my staff at Apohaqui Elementary.

- Thank you for being flexible when buses are delayed, playgrounds are icy, and specialists need spaces to work.
- Thank you for doing extra supervision because colleagues are required for Breakfast Club, noon groups, and other services we provide students. I appreciate that in larger schools there are more hands to cover the work.
- Thank you for giving every noon to eat within classrooms because we don't have a cafeteria that might serve larger numbers all at once.
- Thank you for going many days every week without breaks and/or lunches free of children because we are all doing the best that we can for our students.
- Thank you for being a part of the solution when problems come my way!
- Thank you for looking out for your 'charges' – from dressing them, to wiping runny noses, to replacing wet mittens, to providing food when lunches are forgotten, to investigating when feelings are hurt, to connecting with home when necessary, to devising new strategies to meet them where they are, . . . Face it, just being an educational professional daily!
- Thank you for dropping everything when you are needed – even if that means going right through to 2:30 before realizing you haven't had lunch yet.
- Thank you for picking up the slack when staff replacements are not available!
- And thank you for the many other things that you do, that I never have time to acknowledge . . . and I should!

Jayne Bettie