



<u>May</u>	
1	Provincial Subject Council Day – no classes
15	AEFNB/NBTA Annual Meeting – no classes
18	Victoria Day – no classes
21-28	Provincial Assessments for Grade 2 Literacy
<u>June</u>	
19	Last day of school

Marigolds

All of our classes will participate in the Marigold Project this year. The Marigolds have been started and are well underway.



We will be planting in June.

Celebrate Notes . . .



These students were recognized as Star Readers for the month of April: Hannah Mason, Brianna McLean-Goddard, Hayden Finnamore, Denton Landry, Emma Carmichael.

These students were recognized as Mathletes for the month of April: Josh Long, Jayden Clark, Wyatt Worden, Joel Clarke, Parker McSorley, Skyla Snyder, Nevaeh Clark, Hayden Finnamore, Kelsie Drost, Makailah Lewis, Destiny Hall, Denton Landry, Emma Carmichael, Mia Powell.

Congratulations!!

Subway Caught You at Your Best Winners for April: Kennadi Hayes, Joshua Long, Jack Darling, Robert McLaughlan, Destiny Hall, Zachary Rouse.

Have you checked out our School Website? It is so easy to navigate and jammed full of information.

Transition Days

Over the past few years, Sussex area schools have held a transition day in the spring to familiarize students who will be moving to a different school in the fall.

Grade 5 Transition – Friday, May 29

This year, students from Norton, Apohaqui, Sussex Corner, and Sussex Elementary will be bussed to Sussex Middle School for an orientation of their new school. Information will be sent home when the timetable is finalized.

Kindergarten Transition – June 5th

On Friday, June 5th, current Kindergarten students will remain home while next year's students spend the day with Mrs. Hoyt.

Mother's Day Sale – Thursday, May 7th

Please set aside those little 'treasures' for our annual Mother's Day Sale. The Grade 5 students will set up the sale with donated rummage-sale-type items for students to purchase. (**Note:** Most items will be less than \$1.00, no item will cost more than \$2.00). We appreciate your donations and support of this venture. The children are always so pleased to shop for Mom!

Provincial Assessment 2015

This year Provincial Assessments will be held for **Grade 2 Literacy**. The provincial tests for the other grade levels are currently being realigned and updated so, as a result, they will not be written this year.

NOTE: Hot Lunch and milk programs will finish on June 12th. These will not be available during the last week of school.

Parent School Support Committee

The AES Parent School Support Committee would like to thank those who attended the Mental Wellness Event, held recently at AES. We hope we helped some of you find information or a resource you may benefit from. Thank you to everyone who helped organize the event.

The PSSC has also arranged to have a free workshop take place at AES this spring. It is called "Kids Have Stress Too" and is facilitated by Gwen McKnight of the Canadian Mental Health Association. We have had some parents express interest, and we need a few more to sign up, as there is a minimum number of participants needed to make it happen.

Please have a look at the information attached, and contact Gwen or the school ASAP if you have questions, or would like to sign up.

The PSSC has put much effort into offering these programs for our students and their families, and it is important that you take advantage of them. Since the NB government is reviewing small schools, and considering some for possible closure, we need families to support programs that are offered at AES. Thank you!

The final 2014/2015 meeting of the AES Parent School Support Committee will be held on Monday, May 25th at 6pm.

Also, Mrs. Bettle will be looking for some new members to join the PSSC between now and next September, so if you have any questions regarding this, please speak with her.

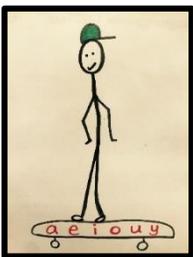


"It is not how much we give but how much we put into giving."
Mother Teresa

Literacy Minute

Sounding out the beginning, middle and end of the word is an excellent reading strategy. It is often the first choice for most children when faced with an unfamiliar or challenging word. However, there are many reading strategies your children can rely on to help them decode words. Flip the Skateboarder and Super e are two very helpful reading strategies.

Flip the Skateboarder: Vowels make more than one sound. Once the reader has stretched out the word and it doesn't sound right, "**Flip**" reminds them to try a different vowel sound.



Examples:

a sounds – acorn or apple

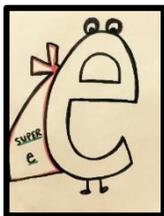
e sounds – eel or egg

i sounds – ice or ink

o sounds – oak or octopus

u sounds – unicorn or umbrella

Super e (also known as Magic e and Silent e): An e close behind another vowel (with no more than one letter in between) usually makes the first vowel say its name.



Examples:

na**m**e si**l**ime cu**b**e



Numeracy Week 2015

Math and Numbers can be fun!!



AES Home & School Association

The next AES Home and School Meeting will be held on Monday, May 25th at 7:15 pm, all are welcome to attend. (Please note this is on the fourth Monday in May, as the third Monday is Victoria Day)

Also, May is election month for the Home & School Executive members, more details will follow.

Family Fun Night 2015

Wednesday, May 27th.

Set that date aside and join us for some fun!

TO ALL OUR SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS:

"Volunteers are not paid, not because they are worthless, but because they are priceless."

– Unknown