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Sussex Elementary School Family News

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Sussex Elementary - Peanut and Nut FREE School for 2013-14

Grade 2 Instructional Writing Piece



Do you no how to
billyd a snoman? I will
tech you how. First
you have to get Pa key
Snow. Next you Pack the
Snow with your mitts
until it is shapt like
a boll? and you make
two more bolls one is

This is a grade 2 instructional writing piece that provides full detail to the reader so that they could accomplish the task by following the directions.

This is only the front page of the writing piece.
(See page 3 for samples of Kindergarten writing.)

SES Code of Conduct

- > I will be responsible!
- > I will be respectful!
- > I will make good choices!
- > I will be prepared!
- > I will do my best!

SES Skating that was cancelled on Wednesday Feb. 19th will be rescheduled to a date after the March break.

SES will be running another 8 week "snack of the week" initiative after the March Break! See page 4 for the details.

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Important Dates of Upcoming Events

Pink Shirt Day at SES	Feb. 27th
March Break	Mar 1st-9th
1st day back after March Break	Mar. 10th

We Can Make a Difference!!!!!! Wednesday March 26th

Sussex Elementary students and staff will be participating in a solidarity of silence. Everybody has to pay a dollar if the teacher agrees to the task. Here are the times to be silent.

Kidergarten-10 minutes

Grade 1-20 minutes

Grade 2-30 minutes

Grade 3-40 minutes

Grade 4-2 hours

Grade 5-All day

You can talk at recesses!

Craig Keilburger was 12 when he decided he wanted to make a difference. He saw in the newspaper that there was a kid who got sold for 16 dollars and worked in a rug factory. One day he escaped and went to a nearby village to tell his story. When he went to school he always finished by holding a pencil in one hand and a tool in the other and said "everyone should have the right to learn, no kid should have to work".

Craig Keilburger decided to get other kids involved and they decided to call their group the group of 12 twelve year olds. That worked until one of them had their 13th birthday so then they named the group Free The Children. A couple of months later Craig asked his parents if he could go to India. He went to India and was worried for the children because of child labour.

Now Craig Keilburger is continuing his organization and for more information on Craig Keilburger and how to help free the children click here: [Free The Children](http://www.freethechildren.org).

Thanks to Maggie Melvin and Emma Hourihan for organizing this event.

Pink Shirt Day - Feb. 27th

Pink Shirt Day began in 2007 after two Nova Scotia teenagers encouraged their fellow students to wear pink T-shirts in support of a pupil who was being bullied. Since then, schools, businesses and communities across Canada have recognized this day.

The provincial government of New Brunswick is encouraging everyone to take a stand against bullying within our schools, communities and workplaces. AWARENESS of anti-bullying initiatives is key to fostering respect and tolerance for all members of our population and creates safe and healthy environments for both learning and working.

Community News

The Kings County Lacrosse Association is providing a "try lacrosse" session for players and a question and answer session for parents on Wednesday, February 26th 2014 from 6:30 to 9:30 pm at Sussex High School. Sessions that may interest children at Sussex Elementary School include:

Tykes (ages 7-8) and Novice (ages 9-10) 6:30 -7:15 pm

Lacrosse NB members will be present to answer any questions that parents may have as well as accept player registrations and possibly recruit volunteers.

Website = <http://www.kingscountylacrosse.com>

Lacrosse email = info@kingscountylacrosse.com

Kidstuff Theatre - Last Show of the Season! "Splash n Boots"

March 10th - 6:30pm at the SRHS Community Theatre

Tickets are \$10 and available at Connie's Collectables or at the front door.

For more information on Kidstuff Theatre visit their facebook page and like and share their posts for a chance to win free tickets.



Kindergarten writing samples.



Art is Elementary

The Sussex Artists' Co-op presents Art is Elementary, a collection of artwork produced by young Artists from Sussex, Sussex Corner, Apohaqui, Norton and Belleisle Elementary Schools. Brighten up your February by checking out some vibrant work! Art is Elementary will open alongside Fakes & Forgeries: some local takes on the old masters. Opening takes place 2-5pm on Saturday February 15th Refreshments will be served and all are welcome! Fakes & Forgeries and Art is Elementary will run until March 30th.

Attention Parents Who Drop Off their Children

I have witnessed and had reports from bus drivers of a few major traffic violations during the morning drop off time. Some drivers exit the main school parking/drop off area onto school street. This exit (added 3 years ago) is an exit only! It requires the driver to turn left during



bussing times since there is signage that does not allow any motor vehicle, other than buses, to go into the bus drop off and loading parking lot. This past week a blue Honda Accord and a Burgandy Dodge Truck went through this area. **When buses are in this area and they have the Red Flashing lights on, you are "passing a school bus with red lights on."** The fine for this driving violation exceeds \$800 dollars and the loss of 5 points. The other

violation is parking on Duke St. and leaving the vehicle to take your child into the school. Duke St. is a town street that is clearly marked with no parking signs. There are lots of spaces in our parking lot! Use those and role model the right way to park with your child. We have asked the RCMP to monitor these situations in the AM whenever possible.

SES Snack of the Week Program

Although the program will be setup the same as the "snack of the week" initiative that we ran before Christmas, the reward component will be based on class participation. The class with the highest participation percentage will receive a complete day of healthy eating. Recess snacks will be fruit trays and juice. Lunch will include a sub or pizza lunch (class choice) served with milk or juice.

Each day classes will submit the snack totals for the class to the office and these numbers will be calculated into percentages. The standings will be posted at the end of each week and reviewed on the Monday AM announcements. An example of a class participating would be;

21 students in class A. During the first week (5 days in total) of the program the students bring the snack of the week with the following ratios;

Monday -	12 of 21 students bring the snack of the week. 57%
Tuesday -	15 of 21 students bring the snack of the week. 71%
Wednesday -	14 out of 19 bring the snack of the week. (2 absent) 74%
Thursday -	17 out of 20 bring the snack of the week. (1 absent) 85%
Friday -	13 out of 17 bring the snack of the week. (4 absent) 77%

Average participation rate at the end of week 1 = 72.8%

Week 1 (March 10-14) - Grapes

Week 3 (March 24-28) - Carrots

Week 5 (Apr. 7-11) - Apples

Week 7 (Apr. 21-25) - Grapes or bananas

Week 2 (March 17-21) - Bananas

Week 4 (March 31-Apr. 4) - Cucumber

Week 6 (Apr. 14-18) - Celery

Week 8 (Apr. 28—May 2) - Carrots

Thank you to all the parents for your support of this healthy eating initiative. Before Christmas this was a wonderful program. Hoping your continued support will make it even better!