F.E.S. Family Connections

November 1st-5th, 2021

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Monday, November 1st	Thursday, November 4 th
 First day of Lunch Period #2 	o Fire Drill
Tuesday, November 2nd	Friday, November 5th
Wednesday, November 3rd	Upcoming Dates:
	November 7 th - Daylight Savings Ends (2am) November 11 th - Remembrance Day November 14 th - Word Diabetes Day

Information Items:

- o The announcement that district sent this morning about today being an Operational Day came as soon as our Superintendent received the information from EECD (Department of Education and Early Childhood). There was uncertainty at the provincial level whether all CUPE groups were going on strike as there had only been confirmation from the bus drivers. As was shared on October 27th in a letter from Minister Cardy to families, if only the bus drivers were on strike, school would have remained open. With custodians and EAs also on strike, schools were closed. District shared the message this morning through their Bus Planner platform so if you did not receive it, it is because you have not signed up for notification. During a meeting with school administrators this morning, we suggested sending future messaging through School Messenger to reach a larger audience. I am attaching a copy of both the letter from Minister Cardy and the steps to sign up for Bus Planner (if you have not already signed up).
- There will be future communication about plans for Monday from EECD over the weekend as the situation continues to develop. A quick reminder that in the event that we have home learning, K-2 students will have paper and pencil tasks and other activities from the home learning kits and grade 3-5 students will have a mix of virtual and paper-based learning, similar to what we had during the COVID closure. All classes are set up on Microsoft Teams and students/families received login information.
- Our playground committee will be hosting an online auction from Nov. 19-21st. Families can search F.E.S. Christmas Auction on Facebook. Please see the flyer attached.
- To keep our children safe while continuing our commitment to career exploration, we plan to host a virtual career expo. As in the past, the Career Expo will provide an opportunity for family and other volunteers to educate F.E.S. students about the variety of career paths available in our community. This year, however, we are inviting you to create a video of

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yourself (feel free to use your phone or tablet) at your workplace sharing what your work environment looks like, demonstrations of what you do which may or may not involve equipment/tools, and any other special parts of your career (e.g., uniform, special vehicle). We would love to meet your co-workers during your video tour. The length of your video is up to you. Our hope is that our 22 classrooms will watch your video during November which we will officially designate as "Canada Career Month at Fairvale Elementary School!". Please send your video to kerry.casey@nbed.nb.ca . If your video is too large to send via email, please use www.wetransfer.com (a free site to share large files and videos). If you run into any problems, please feel free to reach out to Ms. Casey. More information will be sent home next week.

• A reminder that **students should not be dropped off before 7:40** as there is no supervision on the playground.