

Good evening, this is Mrs. Myatt with this week's weekly message.

A few upcoming dates:

Monday, April 15th – Parent-Teacher Interviews – There is no school for students on this day.

Thursday, April 25th – Seaside Park Night of the Arts at 6:30pm in our school gym

Thursday, May 2nd – Transition to Kindergarten Day – this is the day that our current Kindergarten students stay at home so that we can welcome our Pre-Kindergarten students to our school.

Friday, May 3rd – No school for students for Professional Learning Day

Monday, May 6th – No school for students for Professional Learning Day

Parent-Teacher Interviews – We only have one date for Parent-Teacher interviews this term. Parent-Teacher Interviews will be held on Monday, April 15th from 8:30-11am and the same date in the evening from 4:30-7:00 pm. Please click on the link below to sign-up for Parent-Teacher interviews. This is the only way that you are able to register for an appointment.

<https://outlook.office365.com/owa/calendar/SeasideParkElementarySchool@nbed.onmicrosoft.com/bookings/>

This is a friendly reminder to continue to check your child's hair for head lice.

Parking concerns at pick-up – We have had some parking concerns brought to our attention for end of day dismissal. We are asking all families to please avoid parking within the white crosswalk lines that are at the entrance to the school. This area also houses our fire hydrant and we cannot have that blocked by cars in case there is an emergency. If there is no available space please park along the side roads and walk up to greet your child.

Nut Free School – This is a reminder to all families that we are a nut-free school. We cannot have students bring in peanut butter sandwiches or any food items that contain nuts – which does include Nutella. We have several students with life-threatening allergies to nuts. Please be mindful of this provincial education policy.

Operation Feed SJ has kindly donated grocery bags to our school. If a bag of groceries would be helpful for you and your family at this time, please reach out to Mrs. Turnbull, our community schools coordinator at krista.turnbull@nbed.nb.ca to arrange pick-up at school.

Book Fair - We will hold a Scholastic Book Fair April 15-18. The fair will be open during Parent-Teacher interviews on Monday, April 15 from 8:30-11:00 am and from 4:30-7:00 pm. Additionally, your child will have an opportunity to purchase books during their class library visits April 16th – April 18th. A percentage of all sales from the fair comes back to our school as a credit we use to purchase books for our library. We owe a huge thank you to our dedicated team of library volunteers who set up the fair for us and cover the many hours it is open.

April 25th – Seaside Park Night of the Arts – Our Seaside Park Night of the Arts will be held on April 25th. Students who are participating are asked to arrive at 6pm and go straight to the music room. The show will start at 6:30pm and will be in the large gym. Admission will be \$2.00 per person. There will be a small canteen available as well.

Best Seats in the House tickets were sent home with all students for the Night of the Arts. Two lucky families can enjoy front row seats to our show!

Seaside Park Youth in Philanthropy - Students involved in our Youth in Philanthropy program will be hosting a bottle drive on **Saturday, April 27 from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm** in the parking lot at KENT here on the west side. The students voted on which Saint John charity they would like to support, and Tucker's Toy Drive was the winner. This enrichment program has allowed some of our grade 5 students to learn about the importance of philanthropy and ways that they too can make a difference in their community. We hope you may consider saving some of your recyclables for our bottle drive.

Monthly Attendance Challenge – For the months of May and June we will be running an attendance challenge for our students! Each month, one class at the K-2 level and one class at the 3-5 level, that have the highest percentage of attendance for that month, will receive free pizza coupons!

Home and School Events:

Event News:

Join us April 24th for Lego Night from 6:30-7:30 in the school cafeteria. More details to come next week.

We have our next Home and School meeting on April 17th at 6 pm in the school library.

We are looking for volunteers for our Fun Day on June 10th (rain date: June 11th). If you are interested in volunteering, please contact us to let us know. We can provide the required information to volunteer. We will also share the information on our FB page.

As always, you can reach the SPES Home and School Association at seasideparkhands@gmail.com, follow the school FB page and follow our NEW SPES Home and School News FB page (<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61555740451292&mibextid=LQQJ4d>) for events and fundraisers.

Thank you and have a great evening.