

Weekly Message from Seaside Park

Good evening this is Mrs. Myatt with this week's message from Seaside Park

Upcoming Dates:

A reminder that there is no school tomorrow, Monday, February 19th for Family Day

Black History Month –

Seaside Park will be hosting two guest speakers this month to educate our students about the importance of Black History Month. On Feb. 20th Ms. Naomi Leslie will be visiting our school to speak with our students. Ms. Leslie is a direct descendant of the Black Loyalist who helped build Saint John. Her goal is for every student to understand that Black history is Canadian history.

On Feb. 23rd we will welcome Mr. Wesley Williams, also known as Maestro Fresh Wes, to Seaside Park. Maestro Fresh Wes will be discussing the importance of respecting others, demonstrating kindness to those we interact with each day and the importance of setting goals for your life.

Wednesday, February 28th – Seaside Park will be celebrating Pink Shirt Day. Pink Shirt Day was created in a school in NS in 2007. After a new student at their school was bullied for wearing a pink shirt, two grade 12 students bought 50 pink shirts and encouraged their classmates to wear pink. The next day they went to distribute the shirts and to their surprise the majority of students arrived at school wearing pink! With that act of kindness, Pink Shirt Day was born. We are encouraging all of our staff and students to wear pink and demonstrate kindness and acceptance on February 28th.

March 2nd – March 10th – March Break – No school for students

Seaside Park Night of the Arts – We will be hosting Seaside Park Night of the Arts. Our tentative date is April 25th. A sheet outlining the audition process has already been sent home with students. In order to audition, students must bring back the form filled out and signed by an adult. Auditions will be held the entire lunch hour (12:00pm-12:50pm) in the cafeteria. Students in the musical can also audition for the talent show.

- Students will bring their lunch and eat while they are waiting for their audition.
- If a student is absent on their assigned day, they will audition on the next scheduled audition day.

Auditions will be on the following dates:

Wednesday, February 21st- Grade 3

Friday, February 23rd- Grade 4

Monday, February 26th- Grade 5

Wednesday, February 28th (if needed)

Grade 5 Grad Sweatshirts - Grade 5 students have the opportunity to order a special school sweatshirt (hoodie), designed only for our Grade 5 students. The sweatshirts are grey with teal writing and will have a Seaside swoop with 2024 underneath and will have the number 24 on the back with all the Grade 5 students' signatures. The hoodies are \$35 each (tax included). We will have sample sweatshirts at the school so that we can ensure a proper fit. We will have students try on the sweatshirts at school. If the sizing differs from what you selected on your order form, we will call you to discuss. Order forms and money are due back on or before March 2nd.

Library Volunteers – We are in need of a few library volunteers! Our students visit our library Tuesday – Thursday. If you would like to volunteer please reach out to our Community Schools Co-ordinator at krista.turnbull@nbed.nb.ca. All volunteers are required to have updated criminal record checks and to also complete Policy 701 online.

Home and School News:

Event News:

- Thank you to all of our families who helped support Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week without your support it would not have been the success that it was.

- Another thank you to all of our families for joining us for our Glow Dance. It was so much fun.

- Kick off to March Break Movie Night is Thursday, February 29th at 6:30, doors open at 6:15. Admission is \$2 per person. Movie will be announced later this week.

Fundraiser News:

- Thank you for all of your support with the Mitchell's Soups. We received a lot of orders. We will let you know when pick up will be in the coming weeks.

Our next home and school meeting is on Wednesday, February 21st at 6 PM in the school library. We would love to see you there.

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>

That's all for this week.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at the school at 658-2729 or through email at Jocelyn.myatt@nbed.nb.ca

Thank you and have a great week!