

# St. Stephen Elementary School October Newsletter



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October 2020

## From the Administration ...

### *Dates of Interest:*

- October 05—09; Fire Safety Week
- October 12; Thanksgiving Holiday
- October 13-23; Kindergarten Registration for 2021-2022 School Year; Online Registration is active now.
- October 14; PSSC initial Meeting at 7:00pm (Online Meeting)
- October 28; Home & School Committee Kick-Off Meeting at 7:30pm (Online Meeting)

### PLEASE NOTE:

- **Children should arrive at school by 8:15am so they are prepared when class begins at 8:30am**
- **Notify the school office and teacher of any contact changes (address, phone numbers and email addresses).**

**THANK YOU!**

It is hard to believe that we are already into October! We have welcomed students to our school community and look forward to working with parents and caregivers over the course of the year. It is our continued goal to build strong relationships between families and the people here at our school. It is when we work together that your children; our students; will have the best learning experiences.

September was a very busy month. Along with the traditional activities and excitement of beginning a school year, we hosted a "Welcome to School Event" for students and their parents, prior to the first day of school. The scheduled times gave people a chance to visit the teacher and drop off school supplies, retrieve the info and forms for parents, and gave them some personal time with the teacher, while remaining physically distanced.

We spent time making sure that routines and procedures were explicit throughout the school. It is amazing how easily the children adapted the new routines such as wearing masks, hand-sanitizing, physically distancing, and good etiquette for hand-washing and coughs/sneezes. They truly are resilient little people and we're proud of how well they are doing with all the COVID-19 safety guidelines!

We encourage you to participate in our school community as a PSSC Member. Our first PSSC Meeting will take place on Wednesday, October 14. It is an online meeting. Please call the school and leave your name and email if you are interested in joining PSSC.

Students and staff participated in "Terry Fox" awareness lessons that culminated in a bubble class "Terry Fox Walks" on Thursday, October 01st. Four stu-

dents were the lucky winners of Terry Fox t-shirts from our Caught Being Kind draw in our virtual September Assembly.

We continue our focus this year on improving students' abilities in reading comprehension, writing, and number and operations. We will continue initiatives to enhance learning in these areas for all students.

Please talk with teachers to discuss any concerns that you may have and share with them the successes that your child is having. Your involvement in your child's educational experience will positively impact their success at school.

Thank you.

Mrs. Colleen Winchester,  
Principal

Mrs. Courtney Parsons,  
Vice Principal



## GIFT CARD FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN 2020

**We are thrilled to partner with local businesses to produce our annual fundraiser! We have several St. Stephen businesses that partner with SSES on this campaign, and they donate a percentage of all sales of gift cards to our school!!**

**We are asking families and friends of SSES students to support our Gift Card Fundraising Campaign by purchasing gift cards that can be used to pay for everyday purchases, as well as for gifts. More information will go home soon.**

**The more gift cards we sell, the greater our profit!**

**Thanks for your support!**



**MEDIC ALERT: "No Child Without"**

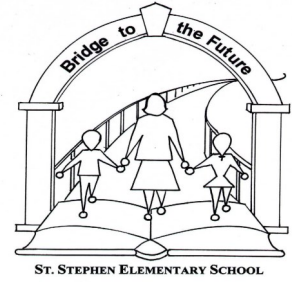
Medic Alert Foundation Canada has a program that provides FREE Medic Alert ID and membership for children ages 4-14 years.

Your child may qualify for this program if he/she has a medical condition, severe allergy, medications, or devices/implants.

Information is available at our school. You may also contact Medic Alert at [medicalert.ca](http://medicalert.ca) or call 1-877-282-5378.

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# SSES HOME & SCHOOL

**JOIN US FOR THE 2020/2021 SSES  
HOME & SCHOOL COMMITTEE KICK  
OFF MEETING!**

Wednesday, October 28th at 7:30pm via  
Microsoft Teams.

To be added to the meeting, please email  
[SSEShomeandschool@outlook.com](mailto:SSEShomeandschool@outlook.com)

## St. Stephen Elementary School

### Parent School Support Committee (PSSC)

Our initial meeting of PSSC will take place on Wednesday, October 14 at 7:00pm

We encourage you to get involved in PSSC. You will find information and resources available for parents on our school website at [sSES.nbed.nb.ca](http://sSES.nbed.nb.ca) .

Our meeting will take place online using Microsoft TEAMS. If you would like to attend, please call the school at 466-7303 and leave your name and email address. We'll be happy to email you an electronic invitation to the meeting.

Thanks for considering your involvement with  
St. Stephen Elementary's PSSC!

## SSES Families Support

### The Terry Fox Foundation

We are thrilled to report that SSES families have donated \$792.00 to The Terry Fox Foundation!

Thank you so much for your support. This is a great way to continue the goal of Terry Fox's Marathon of Hope.

## Face Masks for Students

Thank you so much for making sure that your child has a clean face mask for school each day!

We are very proud of our students and how diligent they are wearing their face masks! Thank you!