



St. Stephen Elementary School

Welcome To School!

September 2019

We are off to a great start with a new school year!

Our *Welcome to School Open House* was an exciting event. It gave students and parents the chance to meet their child's teacher in an informal way. During this event, teachers distributed brochures that outlined to families some information about their class and Grade Level. Students were able to bring their school supplies with them to "move in", and parents had the chance to get the paperwork and forms they needed to complete for the beginning of the school year. Families also enjoyed a cold and re-

freshing snack while visiting our playground! We had 78% of our families join us for the Open House and are thrilled that so many families attend this event!

Students have settled very well into the first days at school. Regular routines are in place and classes are working hard to learn and practice the Expected Behaviours at school. You will find reference to these in your child's Student Handbook in the front of their Agenda.

We have 460 students attending SSES at this date, and have welcomed a few new staff members as well. This

makes our school a very busy place!

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher. We work to have open communication between home and school.

We look forward to another positive and productive year at SSES!

~Mrs. Colleen Winchester, Principal

~Mrs. Courtney Parsons, Vice Principal



- ☺ SSES Cross Country Running Team for Gr. 3-5 Students; beginning September 12; Parent Letter distributed Sept. 05
- ☺ SSES Running Meet; September 16 (behind SSSHS)
- ☺ Terry Fox Walk, Sept. 30 (Rain date: Oct. 01); 12:30 for Primary, 12:45 for Intermediate. Please meet us at the Kiss and Drop Area:)
- ☺ School Photo Day, October 02
- ☺ Parent School Support Committee (P.S.S.C.) Meeting on October 07 at 7:00; Library
- ☺ Kindergarten Registration for 2020-2021; October 15-18

SSES IS NUT FREE AND SCENT FREE

Keeping our school free of nuts/nut products and scents is critical to providing a safe environment for some of our students and staff that have life-threatening allergies.

Please ensure that nut and scent allergens stay home each day.

Thank you for your help to keep our school SAFE for everyone.

CAFETERIA SERVICES

Cafeteria Services are provided by Chartwell's, and will begin using the menu starting Monday, September 09.

For School Lunches Online; please visit schoollunchorder.ca Directions are available in your child's Student Handbook in their Agenda, and through a link on our school website.

PLEASE NOTE: Students bringing packed lunches will need to bring their own spoons, forks, and napkins from home, as these are not provided at school.

Student Forms and Fees

Thank you for completing your child's forms and sending them back to school. It is critical that we have this information as soon as possible. Please inform the school office if any of your contact information should change throughout the school year. A reminder that your child's School Fee is \$25.00. Thank you!

REMEMBER...

"ATTENDANCE MATTERS!"



Regular and on-time attendance plays a huge role in your child's success at school.

SSES – September 2019

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PARENT SCHOOL

SUPPORT COMMITTEE

(P.S.S.C)

The training/initial meeting for PSSC will take place on **Wednesday, October 07, 2019 at 7:00pm.** More information is available at the office.

Please consider becoming a member of PSSC.

SCHOOL CASH ONLINE
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Parents/Guardians are asked to register for "School Cash Online". This method will assist schools in becoming "cashless" and allow you greater security for your child's school money. This also provides a convenient and easy way for you to make school purchases or pay school fees.

Please simply go to our school website at sses@nbed.nb.ca and click on the icon for School Cash Online. Follow the instructions to easily register for this program. The instructions are also available in your child's Student Handbook in the front of their Agenda.

Please notify the office if you require assistance with registering. Thank you for your support of this change.

TERRY FOX WALK AT SSES

Students at St. Stephen Elementary School will learn about Terry Fox and the important contribution he made to society with his "Marathon of Hope". We will celebrate this Canadian Hero in our Large Group Lessons, a School Assembly, and with organizing a Terry Fox School Walk.

SSES will participate in a Terry Fox School Walk on Monday, Sept. 30 (Raindate: Oct. 01).

Families are welcome to meet us outside the school for our "Walk". The walk usually takes 30-45 minutes. Primary classes will start walking at 12:30, and Intermediate classes will walk at 12:45.

We hope you will join us and support this wonderful cause by donating to our Terry Fox School Walk fundraising page at: <http://www.terryfox.ca/StStephenElementarySchool> Thank you!

COME ALONG AND BRING YOUR WALKING SHOES!



SAFE



PREPARED



RESPECTFUL

St. Stephen-Milltown Rotary Club presents the

"Run to Fuel Young Minds" - Sunday, September 22 at the Civic Center

Please consider participating in and supporting this event! The run/walk raises money that is donated to local schools to support our breakfast programs. St. Stephen Elementary School has over 150 students that attend Breakfast Program each morning. This support is important in helping us meet the nutritional needs of our students and get them off to a good start each day.

For more information, please visit the home page of our website at sses@nbed.nb.ca or register online at www.runnb.ca