

January Newsletter



Mrs Chetwynd's Class

I hope that everyone had a wonderful holiday and restful break! Thank you so much for the generous presents, kind words, and encouraging notes before the break, all were very much appreciated.

As students are approaching the completion of alphabet phonetics and word work, we will begin learning and reviewing blends this month. Specifically, we will focus on SH, CH, WH, TH, and end with ING.

<u>Homework reminders & writing information</u>. Please continue to send homework in once a week (on your child's homework day) so I can conference with your child and homework books can be switched. Please keep in mind that when your child does writing assignments at home it's important to encourage <u>self-editing</u>. A few things to emphasize are sentences that start with uppercase letters, proper period use, and the correct formation of b, d, p, and q.

Also, we refer to the Lucy Calkins program for writing which uses personal accounts and life experiences as a basis for assignments. Students may choose to write about other topics as well, however, personal experiences are our main focus and developmentally appropriate independent writing is the end goal.

Some possible writing topics are;

•	A day at the beach	•	A special birthday
•	Buying something with my own money	•	Cooking dinner with Mom/Dad
•	Eating lunch with my friends	•	Going grocery shopping
•	I'm happy when	•	Learning to ride a bike
•	Losing my teeth	•	My adventure
•	My trip to	•	Noisy times and quiet times
•	Playing with pets	•	This person makes me laugh
•	The biggest thing I ever saw	•	Something funny that happened

Please see the January class calendar which includes share days and homework reminders. If you have any questions or concerns please contact me by phone (363-4703), a note, or by e-mail <u>melissa.chetwynd@nbed.nb.ca</u>. <u>Also, please remember to search and request to join the Facebook group "Mrs. Chetwynd's Class 2017-18" for easy access to information and pictures.</u> Questions and comments are welcomed on the page. Thank you for your ongoing support ©

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## January 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
		Kindergarten Homework	Grade 1 Homework	Grade 2 Homework	Emily, Mason, Will, Jackson & Tori Share Day	
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
		Kindergarten Homework	Grade 1 Homework	Grade 2 Homework	Ella, Cole, Jared, Nolan & Bryce Share Day	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
		Kindergarten Homework	Grade 1 Homework	Grade 2 Homework	Olivia, Isaac, Cooper, Jake & Molly Share Day	
28	29	30	31			
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