

NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER



Dates to Remember

- Nov. 7 Picture Retakes
- Nov 9 Remembrance Day Service - 1:00
- Nov. 12 No School for Students
- Nov. 12 - 16 National Bullying Week
- Nov. 26 Home Reports to go Home
- Nov. 28 Parent/Teacher 4:00 - 7:00
- Nov. 30 Parent/Teacher 1:00-3:30
- Nov. 24 Empty Stocking Fund for Choir Students
- Nov. 27 Basketball Jamboree (Island View - 3:30)

Retakes



Students will have retakes done on Monday, Nov. 7th beginning at 12:45. If your child was absent or if you were not pleased your child's pictures, they will have the opportunity to be photographed again on this day.

Multi-Media Sites



We are asking parents who are taking photographs of their child during the upcoming Halloween event (or any other event,) to refrain from posting pictures on multi-media sites unless it is your own child.

Please be mindful and considerate of parents who ask that their children not be photographed.
Thank you for your co-operation.

REMEMBRANCE DAY



Our Remembrance Day Ceremony will be held on November 9th at 1:00 in our gym. Schools will be closed on Monday, Nov. 12th for Remembrance Day.

Cold Weather



Parents and guardians should keep in mind that our weather is turning colder, (especially in the mornings.) Please make sure your child is dressed appropriately for the changing temperatures. Dressing in layers is always a good idea because as the day warms they can take a layer off.

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS



- Thursday, Nov. 28th from 4:00 - 7:00
- Friday, November 30th from 1:00-3:30

Report Cards will be sent home with your child on Monday, Nov. 26th. Please keep the report card and **send the envelope back after each reporting period.**

Parents should contact the school secretary, Brenda, to sign up for an appointment. A reminder to parents and guardians that there will not be any school for students on Friday, Nov. 30th. Teachers are attending PD in the morning and parent teacher meetings in the afternoon.

CHOIR



Our choir will be performing at this year's Empty Stocking Fund on Saturday, November 24th at Saint John High School. Further details will be delivered to you at a later date.

Emergency Evacuation Procedure Information



Anglophone South School District and Morna Heights School has a primary responsibility to ensure the safety of students and staff inside school buildings and while on school property. As a result, all schools in the district have an Emergency Procedure Plan which include fire drills, evacuation to an alternate site as well as external and internal lockdown procedures.

In the event that a school must be evacuated, the children will be taken to the KBM Club House and remain there until the situation has been assessed. If we are unable to return to the school we will contact all parents. Buses will operate from the KBM and walkers will be sent home.

A school lockdown is initiated should a high risk incident involving weapons, hazardous chemical spill, severe weather warning, student/other intruder, etc. occur in the schools or on school property, or if there are circumstances in the vicinity of the school that could endanger the safety of students and staff.

In order for all students and staff to become familiar with the expectations during a lockdown, our school will be practicing emergency lockdown procedures on a regular basis, as

we do with fire drills. During these drills there will be signs posted on the entrance doors indicating that the school is in lockdown. The doors will be locked and no one will be permitted to enter or leave the school during these exercises. This is the same procedure that will be followed in a real situation.

Teachers will talk to their students and practice before we do a school wide exercise. These lockdown procedures only take a few minutes to practice.

Thank you for your understanding in this matter. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at any time.

Breakfast Program



Our Breakfast Program began on Friday, October 19th. Students are given the choice of butter, jam or cheese whiz for their toast.

Toast is offered on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. Thank you to Melitta Cobham and Loretta Gogan for volunteering their time to come into the school to make and distribute the toast.



FREE Education Money for Your Kids' Future

**SIGN UP BLITZ FOR CANADA LEARNING BOND
at the YM/YWCA'S EARLY LEARNING Centre, November
7th between 4:00 and 6:00 pm
St. John the Baptist –King Edward School
223 St. James Street**

Easy Steps to get up to \$2000 from the Government of Canada in a Canada Learning Bond :

1. Your child must be born on January 1, 2004 or later.
2. Family income must be less than \$41,544.
3. Parent needs to know their social insurance number (SIN) and bring 2 pieces of ID: SIN, a current provincial ID, driver's license or a current credit / debit card.
4. Parent or grandparent must bring child's Birth Certificate and SIN (you can get a SIN for your child on November 7th)

Join us on Wednesday, **November 7th, 2012 between 4:00-6:00 pm** to open a Learning Bond.

Local banks will be present – no charge to you.

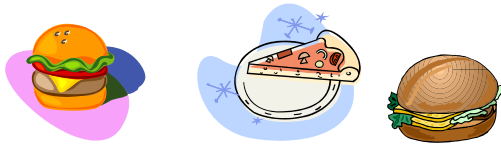
For more info contact Penni at 343-5382, commorg.penni@gmail.com.

HOME AND SCHOOL NEWS

Executive

Election for our Executive took place at our October 2 Meeting, results are as follows: President – Leslie McKinley, Vice President – Heather McNulty, Treasurer – Kelly Delucry and Secretary – Christine Jacobsen.

If you are interesting in becoming a Home and School member please contact the school as we are offering “**free memberships**” this year.



Hot Lunch

A couple of reminders: If you are having your child fill out their hot lunch form, can you please double check to make sure the total is correct. Also, please include the correct money with your child’s order as change will not be provided. Lastly, all cheques should be made payable to “Morna Heights Home and School”. Thanks to all parents for your support of our Hot Lunch program.

Thank you to volunteer Donna Hallwarth for coming in on Wednesdays to help us out in organizing and distributing the pizza.



Indigo Adpot a School Program

The Home and School donated \$75 in Indigo Gift Cards thru the Indigo Adopt a School Program to the school which also gave them 3 free books.



Christmas Bazaar

Just an early reminder to parents that we will be looking for “gently” used items for our annual Christmas Bazaar that will be held in December (date not determined yet). For those of you that are new to our school, the Christmas Bazaar is a day that the children are able to buy Christmas presents for their family at a very small price. We do not accept **footwear, clothing or stuffed animals please**. Items that are always needed are for “Dads” and Gift Wrapping Items such as wrapping paper, gift bags, tissue, bows, tape. Thank you for your support!

