

MORNA HEIGHTS SCHOOL OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

October 2012



Upcoming Dates:

Oct. 10	National Walk to School Day
Oct 8	No School for Students - Thanksgiving Day
Oct. 9	Professional Learning Day
Oct. 7-12	Fire Prevention Week - Have Two Ways out
Oct. 9-12	Kindergarten Registration Week (for students entering KG in the Fall)
Oct. 10 th	Kindergarten Registration at District (4:00-8:00)
Oct. 15	School Pictures
Oct. 15 th	Andy & Donna's Musical Presentation (9:30)
Oct. 16	Kick off to Kindergarten - 6:00 - 7:00

Unicef



We will be collecting spare change for Unicef from Oct. 22nd - 31st.

Kindergarten Registration



KG Registration Week is for all children entering Kindergarten in September 2012. Our kindergarten registration week is from October 9th - 12th. If you have a child born in 2008,

please go to your neighborhood elementary school and register your child or if you know anyone please pass this information on. If you cannot make it to the school you may also register at District Office (490 Woodward Avenue, Saint John, NB) from 4:00 - 8:00. Our Kick-off to kindergarten will be held on October 16th at 6:00. (This is an information session for parents.)

Sign in - Sign -out



We are asking parents and guardians to please drop by the office when dropping off children or picking them up and sign the sheet available. This helps us keep track of students in the event of an emergency. Thank you for your co-operation.

Medication



Please do not send medication with your child to school. All medication that is administered at school requires an authorization form from a parent as well as medication in its original bottle/packaging. Please contact the school if you require this form for your child.

National Walk to School Day



National Walk to School Day promotes healthy physical activity and concern for the environment. This year we will be walking to school on Oct. 10th. Students who have permission will be dropped off at the corner of Chalmers Drive by either the regular bus

driver or by parents. Teacher/Parents will meet students and continue to the school on foot. Children who do not have permission will stay on their regular bus to school.

Nut Free School



We will continue again this year to be a "Nut Free School." We have members of our school community who have allergies to not only peanuts but also other types of nuts. This includes any spreads using nuts such as Nutella. Please check package labels if you are unsure. We appreciate your help with this.

Also as a reminder, we discourage sharing of snacks as we do keep extra snacks here at school, therefore no one goes without.

Halloween



Our Halloween party will be on Wednesday, October 31st. All students are asked to bring a costume to school. They will be given the opportunity to get dressed up right after lunch. Students will parade through the school at 1:00 and parents are welcome to come see the goblins. (If a child does not wish to bring their costume - they can come dressed in black and orange.)

If you are planning to send treats in with your child please keep in mind the Provincial Policy.

Weather



Colder weather will be upon us soon and with that in mind we are asking that parents and guardians to make sure that your child is dressed appropriately. Dressing in layers is always a great way to dress for the colder mornings. As the day warms - children can take a layer off.

School Pictures



Life Touch will be in our school on Monday, October 15th to take each child's picture. Please make a note on your calendar.

Hockey



Anyone student in grades 2 - 5 interested in playing Community Hockey (boys or girls) may come to the office for a registration form. All registration forms were to be in by October 1st, so if you are considering hockey please send your registration form asap. The league is also looking for coaches. If you are interested please send this information to the school asap as well.

Insurance is mandatory for all students playing hockey. You can get insurance information from your current insurance provider or at insuremykids.com.

Pat on the Back



Our "Pat on the Back" program will continue again this year. This program recognizes students who have been "caught" doing a good deed. These students are given a hand to fill out with their name and are placed a ballot box by the front door. During monthly assemblies students names will be drawn for prizes.

Fitness Fundraiser



Our next session begins on Wednesday, Nov. 7th (no class on Oct. 31st). The class consists of a combination of boot camp, cardio and kick boxing classes.

It runs for four weeks for \$40.00.

The classes are held on Monday's and Wednesday's from 7:00 - 8:00pm.

If you like, you can come and try a class for only \$5.00.

Final session for 2012

Mon. Nov 12 - Wed. Dec 19

Christmas Special 6 weeks for \$50.00

Please contact Tara Safford for more information.

Principal's Schedule



Monday	Morna Heights
Tuesday	Brown's Flat
Wednesday AM	Morna Heights
PM	Brown's Flat
Thursday	Morna Heights
Friday	Brown's Flat

Phone Numbers



Morna Heights - 738-6505

Brown's Flat - 468-6000

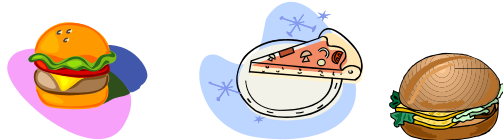
PSSC Members



Our Parent School Support Committee members for this school year are:

Andrea Matthews, Kathy Molloy, Lori Nason (Chairperson), Tara Safford, Kelly DeLucry, Christine Jacobsen, Dennise Murray, Mindy Amirault, Vikki Wilkes and Sheri Coburn. Our PSSC will hold their first meeting on Tuesday, October 2nd.

HOME AND SCHOOL NEWS



Hot Lunch

Our Hot Lunch Program started the week of September 24. We are offering Hot Lunch 4 days a week this year - Deli Subs (Turkey and Ham) on Monday, Chicken Snackers on Tuesday, Pizza on Wednesday and Hamburgers on Thursday. Milk is offered all 5 days. Our suppliers this year are Chef Frank (he does the River Valley Middle School lunches) who is supplying us the chicken snackers, hamburgers and pizza. Subway is our supplier for the Subs.

Hot Lunch orders are processed monthly. All orders/money must be in by **9 am on Wednesday morning of designated date on the form**. Payment can be made by cheque, please make it payable to "**Morna Heights Home and School**". If you are paying by cash, you must have correct amount of money, no change will be provided. If you have more than one child in the school you can send in one payment but, please make sure the orders are sent in separate baggies/envelopes as orders are collected by class, thank you. Credits are only offered on days that school is cancelled or if there is an error with an order. It is up to parents to write the credit on the form.

If you can volunteer to help with the Hot Lunch program please contact the school office or Leslie McKinley.

Dates to remember: October hot lunch orders are due in on **Wednesday, October 3** and November hot lunch orders are due in Wednesday, October **Wednesday, October 24**.

Thanks to all parents for your support of our Hot Lunch program.

Fruit Program



We will be offering fruit to the children one Friday per month starting October. Please call the school if you can volunteer to help with washing the fruit and distributing to the classroom.



Donna and Andy Concert

The Home and School will be sponsoring the Donna and Andy Musical Concert from Nova Scotia which will be at our school on Monday, October 15 at 9:30 am. All parents, siblings are invited to attend.

Home and School Members

The Home and School is offering "free memberships" **this year.** Becoming a member does not mean you have to attend meetings, membership shows you support us for all we do. Please call the school or contact Leslie McKinley if you wish to become a member by Friday, October 12. If you wish to become involved, please attend the meeting on Tuesday, October 2 at 7:30 pm.



Playground

We are all very excited about the additions to our new playground. Big thanks to all parents, students, and staff for their support. Also thanks to all our grant contributors: CMEI, NB Childrens Foundation, Greater Saint John Community Foundation, River Road Coop, Kents.

We wish everyone a Happy and Safe Halloween!!!!



