



# October 2014

## **Upcoming Dates:**

Oct. 3	Apple Picking Trip (K-2)
	3-5 students plant trees in memory of fallen RCMP officers (MLA
	sponsored)
Oct. 7	School Pictures
Oct. 9	Home and School meeting starting at 6:30pm
Oct. 9/10	Professional Learning Day - No School for Students
Oct 13	No School for Students - Thanksgiving Day
Oct. 13-17	Kindergarten Registration Week (for students entering KG in the Fall)
Oct. 16	Millrats Visit Morna Heights
Oct. 23	PSSC meeting starting at 6:30pm
Oct. 27	Kick off to Kindergarten - 6:00 - 7:00pm
Oct. 29	K-5 go to Harbour Station to see a Millrats Game 11:00 am - 1:00pm
Oct. 31	Halloween

# Kindergarten Registration

3-5 Field Trip

KG Registration Week is for all children entering Kindergarten in September 2014. Our kindergarten registration week is from October  $14^{th}$  -  $17^{th}$ . If you have a child born in 2009, please go to your neighborhood elementary school and register your child or if you know anyone please pass this information on.

Our Kick-off to kindergarten will be held on October 27 from 6:00 - 7:00 pm (This is an information session for parents).

#### ELF

TBA

ELF is a literacy program where trained volunteers read with grade 2 students for two hours per week. During these sessions, volunteers and students work on reading strategies and word work to improve the child's reading fluency, understanding and confidence. Morna Heights is pleased to welcome ELF volunteers.

If you are interested in becoming an ELF volunteer, training sessions run twice per year. Please contact Mrs. Crilley for details.

#### Sign in - Sign -out



We are asking parents and guardians to please stop at 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.

## Peanut Butter!!



This current school year your child will not be permitted to bring peanut butter products to school due to the fact that ASD-S is now peanut and scent free. This is a district wide policy to ensure the safety of all students in our public school system.



#### Halloween

Classroom Halloween parties will be in the afternoon of Friday, October 31<sup>st</sup>. K-2 students may bring costumes to school. They will be given the opportunity to put on costumes right after lunch. Students will parade through the school at 1:10pm 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.) Grade 3-5 students are also encouraged to wear black and orange; to show their Halloween spirit.

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

#### Hockey



School Boy Hockey forms are now available in the office.

#### 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.

### PSSC Members



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

Gail Crilley, Kathy Walsh, Denise Murray, Kelly DeLucry, Christine Jacobsen, Leslie Mckinley, Sherry Gill, David Frier, Lisa Carter and Deanna King.

The first PSSC Meeting will take place on October 23 beginning at 6:30 pm.

#### HOME AND SCHOOL NEWS





#### Hot Lunch

Our Hot Lunch Program started the week of September 29. We are offering Hot Lunch (3 days a week) - Tuesdays - Choice of 5 different pitas from Pita Pit - Chicken Breast, Garden (Veggie), Ham, Tuna, and Turkey on a Whole Wheat Petita. Wednesdays - Whole Wheat Cheese Pizza from Jodi's Pizzeria in Grand Bay. Thursdays - Deli Subs from Subway in Ham or Turkey with Lettuce/Cheese and a condiment pack of mayonnaise, mustard on the side and we have added Apple Slices as a new selection. Milk is offered all 5 days. Please note that you must order milk on the hot lunch form, you <u>cannot</u> buy milk on a daily or weekly basis.

Hot Lunch orders are processed monthly. All orders/money must be in by <u>9 am on</u>

<u>Wednesday morning of designated date on the form</u>. 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 we receive a cheque that is returned due to "Insufficient Funds" we will not accept any hot lunch orders from that individual until the NSF is paid and an inconvenience fee of \$5 will be charged. We understand that mistakes do happen but, we will not accept cheques again from the individual after receiving 2 NSF's.

Dates to remember: November hot lunch orders are due in on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>October 22</u>. Thanks to all parents for your support of our Hot Lunch program.

#### Home and School Members

The Home and School is looking for new members. The cost of an annual membership is \$5 per member which is submitted to the New Brunswick Home and School Association. The Morna Heights Home and School is a member of the Canadian Home and School Federation at the National Level and New Brunswick Federation of Home and Schools at the Provincial Level. As a member you also get to vote on any issues that come up. Becoming a member does not mean you have to attend meetings, membership shows you support us for all we do. All we do is solely provided thru volunteers.

The Home and School provides many things for our children. We run the Hot Lunch Program with a daily milk program. Other activities we supported last year were: Christmas Bazaar, Teacher Appreciation, Grade 5 Graduation, Field Day, Kindergarten Book, Field Trip to the Maple Sugar farm. If you are interested in becoming a member and being involved, please attend our first meeting on Thursday night October 9 @ 6:30 pm or contact the school, we would love to have you!

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





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