



Lightning News for March 25th – 29th.

Barnhill does their Best! Better Every Single Time.

The theme for the month of March is nutrition.

“If you don’t take care of your body, where are you going to live?” ~ Unknown ~

~ We have **Mindful Mondays** and **Thinking Thursdays** in which all students will have the opportunity with their teachers to practice some of the Mind Up exercises they have been taught. We want our students to develop skills of being able to control their attitudes and reactions to different events in life through kindness and resilience. We want our students to realize that they cannot control everything in life, but they can develop skills alongside their academic skills so they can survive and thrive in the real world.

~ We are a PBIS School and we promote our philosophy of doing the right thing through our BOLT ballot program. Weekly we have winners that are announced and they win a prize, just for doing the “right” thing here at school!

Home Reports: On April 1st the second report card will be sent home with all students. This term we will again offer a Parent/Guardian – Student/Teacher conference. A letter will be in the report card envelope outlining the process for booking the appointments. The scheduled dates for the conferences are Thursday, April 4th from 4:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. and Friday, April 5th from 8:30 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. In the afternoon staff will be attending professional learning seminars. There will be no school for students on Friday, April 5th.

Grade 6 Math Benchmarks- All Grade 6 students will be completing Math benchmarks between March 25th and April 4th. The results on these benchmarks will be used to determine where the focus of intervention should be for these grade 6 Math students.

Hot lunch

Monday – Pasta with fruit/vegetables - \$4.00

Wednesday – Baked Chicken Poppers with fruit/vegetables - \$4.00

Friday – Cheese Pizza with fruit/vegetables - \$3.00

~ We always have either carrots, cucumbers, bananas, tangerines, oranges or apples available for the students during hot lunch. If you have any requests for different fruit or vegetables, please let us know and we will try to accommodate.

~ **Cashless Schools**- we encourage parents/guardians to register at <https://asds.schoolcashionline.com/> to order hot lunch.

Snider Mountain Ranch – students in grade 6 and 7 French Immersion have been given a letter with the opportunity to attend this camp in May. The first sixty students to pay on cashless schools will have the opportunity to go. Any questions, please contact Madame VanSteege.

Horizons Leadership Conference – This will be a one –day leadership journey for student leaders on Wednesday, April 17th at KVHS. The agenda for the day is to provide participants with motivation, inspiration and information to make their school a better place. The conference is \$25.00 per participant. Madame Arbeau and Mrs. Blanchard will be having a meeting this week for all those interested. This is an excellent opportunity for student leaders in grade 8 who would like to join Student Council in High School.

Please mark your calendar for the upcoming events:

- Madame Holland one of our French Immersion Science teachers has set up a schedule for our grade 7 and 8 students to have Science presentations from UNB. The final presentation will be on Tuesday, March 26th – Grade 8 Landry and the other half of 8 Murrant.
- Yearbook Order forms were due on Thursday, March 21st. There were students who did not have their form with them on Thursday; so we called Harveys Studio and requested an extension – if anyone would like a Yearbook the due date is tomorrow, Monday, March 25th.
- Monday March 25th students will begin a new specialty – either Music, Art or Technology, students will have different teachers for these courses. Students will also switch from Personal Development and Career Planning to Health. In these courses they will have the same teacher, just a different curriculum content.
- March 26th we have the Code Mobile Squad coming to train our grade 6 students on coding. There is a schedule for each class and this event will take place in the Learning Commons.
- There will be 10 grade 8 students who will go to Harbour View for the day on March 26th, the focus will be a Math curriculum Engagement Day. Please bring your permission slips to Ms. Ferguson.

- P.S.S.C. meeting on Tuesday, March 26th from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. in Room 30.
- March 28th we have a whole school assembly with Dave Hamilton from Ontario, presenting “Kindness Changes Everything.” There are many side effects of Kindness: here are just a few; kindness makes us happier, kindness is good for the heart, and kindness is contagious. This assembly will be a combination of an engaging concert style presentation with personal stories and videos. It is guaranteed to be very impactful!

Please remember we always invite parents and guardians. The assembly is at 1:00 p.m. in our gym. We hope to see you there.

- April 1st Mr. David Goss a very popular west side writer, will be here to present to some of our E.L.A. classes.

Grade 8 News:

Quebec Cultural Trip -the final payment of \$130.00 for the trip is due tomorrow. The total for the trip is \$690.00. Everyone is to have their payments completed by the end of March.

Please get your order forms and payments for Vesey Seeds in to Madame Landry or Madame Murrant this week. This is our final fundraiser for the Quebec Trip.

Athletics and Activities:

The grade 6 Badminton Club is on Monday nights from 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. If you require further information, please contact Mr. Stuart.

Volleyball- We have three teams: the boy’s team, a girls Varsity team and a girls Junior Varsity Team. Please listen to the daily announcements. The fee for being part of the team is \$50.00. Please pay your coach.

Musical - Treasure Island – the cast and crew are working hard and practicing at lunch and after school. Please always listen to announcements so you know when the practices are.

Student Council – Our next CELEBRATE assembly is April 10th during last class. Please remember that parents and guardians are always welcome to attend.

G.S.A. – this group meets weekly at lunch.

Café Francais – At lunch on Friday in the Technology Room.

Best Buddies – meets every Monday at lunch in the games room. Best Buddies would like to report that the Marigolds are already starting to bud!

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 658-5971 or jill.ferguson@nbed.nb.ca

“To insure good health: eat lightly, breathe deeply, live moderately, cultivate cheerfulness, and maintain an interest in life.” ~William London ~

Thank you.

Ms. Jill Ferguson