

Lightning News for May 20th – 24th.

Happy Victoria Day – hope you enjoyed your day!

Barnhill does their <u>Best!</u> Better Every Single Time.

The theme for May is "Physical Fitness."

Grade 6 Provincial Assessment:

From May 27th to June 7th, grade 6 students will be writing the Provincial Assessments. The students will be assessed on English Reading, French, French Reading, Math and Science. This assessment is part of a system of assessments in Literacy, Math and Science throughout elementary, middle and high school.

The Grade 8 District Math Assessments will start June 3rd.

The month of May is Food Allergy Awareness with May 29th being **Purple Day** in order to increase awareness about Food Allergies. For further information, you may find it on the ASD-S website or Sweet Caroline Foundation website. Please make every effort to wear purple on the 29th to support the awareness of food allergies.

~ For the Science Olympics which is coming up in June, we need your help, we are collecting toilet paper rolls, paper towel rolls and gift wrap rolls. Please donate! We require a lot of paper rolls in order to accommodate students when they participate in a STEM activity for the Science Olympics on June 11^{th} .

Hot lunch: All of our hot lunches are served with fruits and vegetables.

Monday - No school - Victoria Day Holiday.

Wednesday - Chicken poppers and parmesan bread sticks - \$4.00

Friday – Cheese Pizza - \$3.00

<u>Barnhill Beautification Group</u>: Take an opportunity to look at the yard, it is becoming very beautiful. It will look wonderful for our year-end ceremonies.

Athletics and Activities:

If you have any outstanding payments due for any of our **sports teams** or the **Quebec trip** please contact the school at 658-5393 or call Ms. Ferguson at 658-5971 to make arrangements to pay.

<u>Flag Football</u>: Practices are Tuesday and Thursday from 3:00 – 4:30 p.m. The fee to play in this tournament is \$20.00, please pay Ms. McShane. All team members need to make their payment before they play in the tournament; it is for insurance purposes. Athletes are to bring both their mouth guards and cleats to practice. The Fundy Minor Flag Football Tournament is the weekend of May 24th and 25th at Shamrock Park. Please find attached the schedule for the weekend.

<u>Track and Field</u>: Practices this week at noon for long jump and high jump. Shot-put will be after school on Wednesday. Please listen to the announcements. The track meet is on Thursday, June 6th at UNBSJ. All the athletes will be given a letter of permission before the meet.

<u>Rugby:</u> Madame VanSteeg and Mr. Kyle have organized an in-house league for students to learn and enjoy the basics of the game. The practices are usually on Wednesday after school, however, they will be announced on our announcements and the athletes are to wear cleats while on the field.

<u>Best Buddies:</u> The year – end field trip has been changed to Thursday, May 23rd due to a funeral. All of the students have been informed.

<u>Student Council:</u> The SRC will have a meeting next Monday, May 27th after school at 3:00 p.m. This meeting is very important since it will be about organizing the year-end events.

Exciting upcoming events:

Tuesday, May 21st – PSSC meeting at 6:30 p.m. in Room 30.

Friday, May 24th – Math Olympics for the entire school, this will take place in the morning.

• May 29th – Purple Day for Food Allergy Awareness.

May 27th – May 31st is Disability Awareness Week.

May 31st – "WALK and ROLL" a whole school walk to support Disability Awareness.

The grade 6 and 7 students who are going to Snider Mountain the French Camp from May 29th – 31st are getting very excited. The students will be leaving for the camp on Wednesday and returning on Friday before the end of the school day. This is a wonderful opportunity for our FI students since this camp is a totally French speaking camp. Any questions or concerns, please contact Madame VanSteeg or Madame Murrant. The PBIS – Phys. Ed. Enrichment day is going to be on Wednesday, May 29th. The students will be going to the Aquatic Center and the Irving Nature Park. A letter of information will be sent home for those students who will be attending. For further information, please contact Mrs. Graham or Mr. Edgecombe.

The students who are on the robotics team are very busy practicing for the Spring Lego competition which will be May 29th. Students will be involved in this competition with other schools at District office with Madame Taylor and Mrs. Blagden as the faculty advisors.

On Thursday, May 30th we are going to have our "open house" for the grade 5 students who will be attending Barnhill in the fall of 2019. The students from our feeder elementary schools will be here from 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. They will start with an assembly in the gym, then they will have a tour of the school with our student leaders and complete the open house with some different activities. We welcome all of these students and their teachers to our open house.

The grade 6 Cultural Fair is being organized by Madame Taylor for Tuesday, June 4th. Our grade 6 students will be setting up booths of information in the gym, parents and guardians are welcome to attend.

We are going to be having an Outdoor Field Day for all the students and staff of Barnhill on June 5th.

Science Olympics is the morning of June 11th this for the entire school.

Quebec Cultural Trip for grade 8 students will be from June 12th – 15th. If there are students who are interested in being part of a fund raiser, one of our grade 8 parents is organizing a run-a –rink for lacrosse next weekend. For further information, please contact Charlene Thompson at 214-3565.

Our year end school field trip is to New River on Tuesday, June 18th. This trip is for the entire school. The rain date will be Wednesday, June 19th. A letter of information will be sent out.

~ There will letters sent out about different year end class events.

Our Moving up Ceremony for grade 8 students will be on Thursday, June 20th at 5:00 p.m. Invitations will be sent out for families.

The final dance of the year for the entire school and guests will be from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Entrance will be \$5.00 at the door.

Friday, June 21st will be the last day for students.

"Strength does not come from physical capacity. It comes from an indomitable will."

~ Ghandi ~

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

Thank you.

Ms. Jill Ferguson