



## *Lightning News for May 6<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>.*

Barnhill does their Best! Better Every Single Time.

We are just so proud of our students! We had four students enter the Heritage Fair and all four of these students placed within the top three within their category. Way to go – you make us so proud.

Treasure Island was a huge success, we had many audience members on both Wednesday and Thursday night. The musical was very enjoyable! Everyone in attendance was having a wonderful time!

Bowl for Kid's Sake to support Big Brothers/ Big Sisters – we had a team from Barnhill who bowled yesterday from 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. We had a great time and donated \$400.00 to Big Brothers/ Big Sisters of Saint John.

~ There is NO school tomorrow for students – it is a NBTA Branch Meeting day for all staff.

The theme for May is “Physical Fitness.”

“Your body holds deep wisdom. Trust in it. Learn from it. Nourish it. Watch your life transform and be healthy.” ~ Bella Bleue ~

**Social Media:** Please be reminded that the Province of New Brunswick has very strict regulations when it comes to social media and student privacy. Some student's feel these rules do not apply to them and will take photos or videos and post them on Snapchat, Instagram, Facebook and other outlets. Please speak to your children about how this is a violation of privacy and that consequences will be issued.

**Dress Code:** With nicer weather approaching! It is expected that all of our students dress appropriately for middle school. Any children wearing an article of clothing that is not considered appropriate for the learning environment will be removed from class and parents will be contacted until the situation is resolved. Thanks for your attention to this.

**Alternate Bus Requests:** Please be advised that permission to take an alternate school bus will only be issued 24 hours in advance and is to be a legitimate emergency situation. Requests for school projects, dances, sleepovers, etc. are not going to be honored. Students and parents/guardians will have to make other arrangements. Sorry for the inconvenience, but it is a safety issue for students to ride on different buses.

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

Monday – No School

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

Friday – Cheese Pizza - \$3.00

**Barnhill Beautification Group:** This group is running strong, before we know it the yard is going to look beautiful with flowers, plants and colour!

**PCAP – Pan Canadian Assessment Program:** The grade 8 class of Mr. Edgcombe has been selected to be the class to represent Barnhill in PCAP. What is PCAP? It is an assessment that measures the knowledge and skills of Grade 8 Canadian students in three subjects: mathematics, science and reading. The assessment will be on Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup> in the afternoon. No. Students do not need to study for this assessment. Normal classroom activities in these subject areas provide ample preparation for this assessment. For more information about PCAP, please visit <http://www.cmec.ca>.

#### **Athletics and Activities:**

**Volleyball** – The season is now wrapping up! Thank you to the athletes, the coaches and the faculty advisors who have made this season a success for all students.

**Flag Football:** This is a co-ed sport. Ms. Bethanie McShane and Ms. Becca Harris will be coaching the team together. There is no practice this week, the next practices will be on Tuesday, May 7<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, these practices will be from 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. The Fundy Minor Flag Football Tournament is the weekend of May 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Track and Field:** This sport will be starting this week – please listen to the announcements and check out our website for information.

**Best Buddies:** The year – end field trip will be on Wednesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>. All of the members of Best Buddies will receive a letter of information.

#### **Save the date:**

**Monday, May 6<sup>th</sup> – No classes for students – Branch NBTA/AEFNB Meetings**

**Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup> – Grade 7 HPV Needles.**

**Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup> – PCAP Assessment for a selected grade 8 class.**

**Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup> is our Entrepreneurial Show in the gym for the afternoon. All are welcome.**

**Tuesday, May 14<sup>th</sup> we will have Denim Day for support of Breast Cancer Awareness.**

**The final Engagement Day at Harbour View High School for our grade 8 students is on Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup>.**

**Our next dance is on Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. It will be \$5.00 at the door.**

**Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup> – No School – This is the Victoria Day Holiday.**

**Starting the week of May 27<sup>th</sup> we will be having Provincial Testing for our students.**

**May 27<sup>th</sup> – May 31<sup>st</sup> is Disability Awareness Week.**

**Snider Mountain French Camping trip is now from **May 29<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup>** for grade 6 and 7 French Immersion students.**

**Provincial Testing for students will be from May 27<sup>th</sup> – June 7<sup>th</sup>.**

**PBIS – Enrichment Day for students will be on Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup>. All of those students who have been invited to attend, will receive a letter.**

**Quebec Cultural Trip for grade 8 students – this trip is from June 12<sup>th</sup> to June 15<sup>th</sup>. All the students who are going are starting to get very excited about this trip. If you do not have an itinerary and would like one, please ask at the office. All grade 8 students participating in this trip are to be completely paid up! Those of you who have NOT completely paid for this trip need to call Ms. Ferguson to make arrangements - or your child will be removed from the trip. We do pay an outside agency for this cultural trip. Thank you.**

**Our year end school field trip is to New River on Tuesday, June 18<sup>th</sup>. This trip is for the entire school. The rain date will be Wednesday, June 19<sup>th</sup>.**

**~ Please stay tuned with regard to other year end events that will be happening in our school.**

**Our Moving up Ceremony for grade 8 students will be on Thursday, June 20<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. 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 21<sup>st</sup> will be the last day for students.**

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

Thank you.

Ms. Jill Ferguson

