



## *Lightning News for November 13<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>.*

Barnhill does their Best! Better Every Single Time.

The theme for the month of November is in three parts: 1. Courage, 2. Mental Fitness, and 3. Movember.

“With courage you will dare to take risks, have the strength to be compassionate, and the wisdom to be humble. Courage is the foundation of integrity.” ~ Kehaven Nair ~

November 13<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> is Movember awareness week. Student Council has organized activities daily. These activities will be announced every morning during our morning announcements.

Children’s mental health problems are real, common, and treatable. Although one in five children has a diagnosable mental health problem, nearly two-thirds of them get little or no help. Untreated mental health problems can disrupt children’s functioning at home, at school and in the community. Your observation along with teachers and other caregivers can help determine whether you need to seek help for your child. We are here to help support. Please contact Ms. Ferguson or Mrs. Muise if you have any questions.

CUPE \*SCFP 1253 is promoting School Bus Safety in New Brunswick. This campaign is to raise awareness of the importance of stopping for red lights on our school busses and help protect our children. We have some brochures in our lobby if you would be interested in further information.

**Save the date...**

Our grade 6 Science classes have been busy preparing for our trip to “The Huntsman” in St. Andrews, as part of our unit on “Diversity of Life.” We have planned a day of learning, and fun at the Huntsman Marine, Blockhouse, and the Bay of Fundy shoreline.

The following is the schedule for the grade 6 classes:

Monday, November 26<sup>th</sup> – Madame Vautour and Madame Lise’s classes go for the day.

Tuesday, November 27<sup>th</sup> – Madame Murphy and Madame Taylor’s classes will attend.

Tuesday, December 11<sup>th</sup> – Ms. Stout and Mrs. Blanchard’s homeroom classes will be going with Mrs. Gunter who is the Science teacher.

~ All of our grade 6 students are sure to enjoy a fabulous day of Science!

Starting on November 13<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> we will be having our Grade 6 Math Benchmarks. During this time our grade 6 students will be completing a series of summative assessments in Math.

Home Reports and Parent/Guardian/Student/Teacher Conferences: Your child will be receiving a home report for the first term on Monday, November 19<sup>th</sup>. This report will indicate progress from September until November 8<sup>th</sup>. Please keep in mind that assessment will be reported using the 1-4 scale. Conferences will be held on Thursday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. and Friday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. There is no school on Friday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> for students – this will be a professional learning morning and conference afternoon. The conferences will be set up by appointment. A letter of explanation will go home with the report card. Thank you.

~ Barnhill Memorial School will have tables set up in our lobby during our conference times with Barnhill swag available to purchase. We will have water bottles, USB bracelets and lanyards for your keys. We will also have samples and purchase forms for school clothing, that you may order and receive before the holidays.

~ The holiday fair will be on Saturday, December 8<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 – 3:00 p.m. We will have many artisans and crafters at the fair to offer many different items for you to purchase.

~ Dodge Hunger Tournament – At Barnhill Memorial School we started a new tradition last year...we have organized a school wide tournament of "Newcomb Ball" on Thursday, December 20<sup>th</sup> for any and all students and staff who are willing to participate and have fun. Everyone has to create a team of 10 people and each individual is to pay \$3.00 or donate three non-perishable food items to be part of the team. The finals are on Friday morning, December 21<sup>st</sup>. \*\*\* All the money and food items are donated to the west side food bank. The students and staff have an absolutely wonderful time and we give to our community! It is "win win" all the way around. We even have a trophy in our display case to leave a legacy of the yearly winners.

**Hot lunch:**

Wednesday – Baked chicken poppers with parmesan sticks, served with fruit and vegetables.

Friday – Cheese pizza – served with fruit and vegetables.

- Starting on Monday, November 19<sup>th</sup> and back by popular demand of our students, we will have Fettuccini Alfredo served with fruit and vegetables on the side.

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

Athletics and Activities

**Please be aware that practices are closed to spectators. Games are when we would like spectators to come and support our teams. Thank you.**

Badminton: Grade 6 Badminton will be on Monday, November 19<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. If there are grade 6 students who would like to join this club, please see Mr. Stuart for a permission slip.

School Team Badminton:

Tuesday – second tryout for grade 8 girls who made the first cut – this if from 3:15 – 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday – second tryout for grade 7 boys who made the first cut – 3:15 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Thursday – second tryout for grade 7 girls who made the first cut – 3:15 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Ski and Snowboard Club: The deadline for the forms has been extended until Friday, November 16<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in being part of this club and going to Poley Mountain on Tuesday evenings, please get your information in to Mr. Stuart A.S.A.P. We require 30 members for this club.

Student Council: Movember week - the students have organized trivia and noon activities.

Babysitting course – the last class is this Wednesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 – 4:50 p.m.

The WE group will be delivering all of the socks from “Socktober” to the Men’s Outflow Mission, to Romero House and to the pediatric unit at the Regional Hospital this week. Thank you so much for all of your donations.

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)

“It takes courage to grow up and become who you really are.” ~ E.E. Cummings ~

Thank you.

Ms. Jill Ferguson