

Lightning News for November 26th - 30th.

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.

"One isn't necessarily born with courage, but one is born with potential. Without courage, we cannot practice any other virtue with consistency. We can't be kind, true, merciful, generous, or honest." \sim Maya Angelou \sim

"There are no dead ends in life, only dead end thinking." ~ Orrin Woodward ~

"Mustaches: they are like mittens for your lips." ~ Gabrielle Morness ~

For the safety of our students, your children, we request that everyone sign in to the office.

Please take the opportunity to provide us with feedback about the Parent/Student/Teacher conferences and the on line booking system.

Thank you to the representatives from S.R.C. for being here to help out on both Thursday evening and Friday afternoon.

We want to take the opportunity to welcome Ms. Kim Pattison. Ms. Pattison will be filling in for Mr. Edgecombe. She will be the homeroom teacher for our grade eight English Prime class and the Phys. Ed. Teacher. Welcome to Ms. Pattison, we know you will be a wonderful addition to our teaching team.

The P.S.S.C. meeting will be on Tuesday, November 27th at 6:30 p.m. in Room 30.

We are always so proud of our students! Just this Saturday we had students representing Barnhill in the District Chess Tournament. We want to congratulate Daniel Crilley who placed 2^{nd} in the grade 8 division and Seth Fogan who came in 1^{st} place in the grade 6 division. Both of these boys will be invited to compete in the provincial tournament later this year.

~ During this week all of our students will have the opportunity to complete the "Tell Them From Me" online survey. They will do this in the technology lab with Mr. Stuart. This survey provides students with a voice in order to express their opinions about their school environment.

- \sim This Wednesday, November 28th our Student Representative Council will be presenting a CELEBRATE assembly. These assemblies are to recognize and of course celebrate all the great things our students accomplish. The assembly will be during 4th period which is after lunch. Parents/guardians and family members are always welcome to attend our assembly.
- ~ 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. Students are to bring their lunch and wear warm clothes. This is a co-curricular event. The following is the schedule:

On **Monday, November 26**th both Madame Vautour and Madame Lise's homeroom classes are going to enjoy the day.

Tuesday, November 27th – Madame Murphy and Madame Taylor's homerooms.

Tuesday, December 11th – Ms. Stout and Mrs. Blanchard's homeroom classes will be going.

Please take a look at the attachment on Barnhill grants to see all the grants we have received and how they are being used in the school...

Please see attached the information if you would like to purchase Barnhill clothing for gifts for Christmas. We do have samples in the office, if you would like to compare sizes. These items can be purchased on line at https://asds.schoolcashonline.com/ from Tuesday, November 27th until Thursday, December 6th. This is so we can order the items from Lester's and have the items here by December 20th.

At our Holiday Fair on Saturday, December 8th from 9:00 – 3:00 p.m. Barnhill Memorial School will have a table with Barnhill swag. We will have water bottles -\$5.00, USB bracelets -\$5.00, lanyards - \$3.00 and cinch bags to keep your gym clothes in for only \$10.00.

Please see the attached poster for the Holiday Fair – we have many local crafters and artisans who will be selling wonderful gifts for the holidays.

Grade 8 Quebec Cultural Trip news update:

The 12 Days of Christmas Fundraiser will be starting on Monday. This Christmas raffle is in support of our Quebec Cultural trip. All grade 8 students who are going on the trip will be given the opportunity to sell tickets for this event in order to raise money for their trip. The twelve prizes that have been generously donated include Seadogs tickets, gift cards for Circle K/Irving, Buccaneers restaurant/pub, Sobeys grocery store, movie passes, dinner for two at the Route #1 Restaurant, a golf pass at the Westfield Golf and Country Club, plus other mystery prizes and gift cards.

The second payment of **\$100.00** is due on Monday, November 26th. Please keep up to date with your payments in order for your child to retain their spot for this trip. Please pay through https://asds.schoolcashonline.com/. We do pay an outside travel company for this trip, and we do need to be up to date with our payments. The online system for this payment will be closed by December 31st.

We will be having a presentation on Tuesday, December 4th during second period for all of our grade 8 students who are going on the Quebec Cultural trip. Patrick Hurley from Bon Vivant Educational Tours will be in to complete the presentation.

Any questions or concerns; please direct them to Madame Murrant erin.murrant@nbed.nb.ca

Hot lunch:

Monday – Pasta with alfredo sauce this will be served with a side of fruit and vegetables.

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

Friday – Cheese Pizza with fruit and vegetables.

All hot lunch meals are \$3.00 each.

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

The month of December is going to be a very busy 21 days until the break for the holidays.

On Monday, **December 3**rd all classes will be changing their Specialty class. It will be a rotation of Music, Art and Technology.

The week of **December 3rd – 7th** we will have the **Ring A Bell Campaign.** This is to support the province's commitment to raise awareness and increase education to inspire youth, family and communities to take positive actions in support of children's mental health. We will be ringing bells for one minute on Friday, December 7th at 12:00 noon.

On Tuesday, **December 4th** we have our grade 7 Entrepreneurial show in the gym.

On Wednesday, **December 5**th we have an Inspirational speaker, Mr. Alex Chisholm Guibault coming to present to all of our students and staff in the gymnasium.

Thursday, **December 13th** is the Christmas Dance from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. The cost is \$5.00 at the door.

The week of **December 17**th – **21**st is Winter Carnival week.

December 20th – Dodge Hunger Newcomb Ball Tournament.

December 21st - Last Day of First Term.

Athletics and Activities

We appreciate all donations to our Best Buddies group who has adopted a local family of three to support over the holidays. This family is a mom, with a teenage daughter and a 12 year old boy. Best Buddies meet in the Games room on Mondays at lunch.

S.R.C. meet on Monday after school. This group is very busy with organizing for Winter Carnival and the dance.

G.S.A. meet on Tuesday at lunch.

The WE group meet on Thursday at lunch.

The WE group with the support of S.R.C. and the rest of Barnhill School is organizing a **"Dodge Hunger**" campaign. The students and staff will be creating teams to play Newcomb ball in a tournament on December 20th, with the finals being December 21st. All individual players on the team are to donate \$3.00 or three non-perishable food items. We donate the money and the food to the West Side Food Bank.

We ask students to always listen to announcements in the morning this will help everyone to know what is going on in their school. The announcements are also posted daily on our website.

Badminton practices will continue this week – Barnhill Memorial School will be hosting "Badminton Zones" on Monday, December 3rd, Tuesday, December 4th and Wednesday, December 5th. The zones will start after school and will not be completed until 7:00 p.m.

Practices for the musical "Treasure Island" will be conducted this week, again please listen to the announcements.

Basketball try-outs will be in December, before the holidays. Stay tuned for a schedule.

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

Thank you.

Ms. Jill Ferguson