Lightning News

February 19th - February 23rd

Family Day

Monday, February 19th is Family Day. There is no school for students and staff. We hope you enjoy time with the people you love!

"Family is family, whether it's the one you start out with the one you end up with, or the family you gain along the way." — Unknown



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BOLT MATRIX

The Bolt Matrix outlines our school's expectations.

We didn't make it to every class this week, so the "Do and Dash" will continue next week. The focus will still be to "Own Your Learning" during transition times by "being prompt"- also known as being on time for class.

BOLT	Be respectful	Own your LEARNING	LIVE SAFELY	T _{AKE} RESPONSIBILITY
ARRIVAL/ DISMISSAL/ TRANSITION TIME	Follow adult directions. Help others. Wait outside the classroom until you are invited into the classroom by the teacher. Wait until you are dismissed at the end of class.	Be prepared for class. Take homework home. Be prompt. Go to your locker during scheduled locker time.	Enter/exit school in an orderly manner. Walkers leave school at dismissal time. Bus students go to designated area. Keep hands, feet & hurtful comments to yourself.	Put belongings in designated areas. Promptly enter the school when told and report to your homeroom in a timely fashion. Sign in at office if arriving late.
INDOOR/ MORNING - Due to weather	Follow adult directions. Help others. Use quiet voices. Ask to use the washroom.	7/2	Take off outdoor footwear before entering gym. Keep hands & feet to yourself.	Go to your locker after being dismissed from the gym.
WASHROOM/ CHANGING ROOM	Clean up after yourself. In changing room tidy your belongings and take them when you, when you leave.	Use washroom before class in the morning, during breaks or during lunch time.	Report unsafe behaviour or conditions.	Wash hands. Flush toilet. Keep washroom clean, by putting the garbage in the garbage can.
LUNCH Areas Lunchroom / Balcony / Learning Commons	Keep facility clean. Follow adult directions. Use quiet voices. Ask to use the washroom.	7	Keep hands & feet to yourself. Stay in your seat. Wait until you are dismissed before leaving.	Be cooperative. Respect the space and school property by recycling and putting your trash in garbage cans.
CLASSROOMS TECHNOLOGY LAB LEARNING COMMONS	Listen to adult instructions. Respect others personal Space.	Bring required materials to class. Submit assignments on time. Catch up on missed work.	Follow all rules for fire, evacuations & lockdowns. Follow safety rules for using all equipment. If in doubt, ask.	Leave your desk neat and tidy. Use equipment & supplies as intended.
ASSEMBLIES/ PRESENTATIONS	Remain seated until dismissed. Listen quietly to the presenter. Be respectful when showing appreciation.	Be a good listener.	Always walk. Remain seated until dismissed. Respect personal space.	Enter & exit quietly. Use the washroom before the assembly.
OUTDOORS	Follow adult directions.	Respect boundaries. Do not leave school property.	Benches are for sitting. Stay off the stairs. Keep your hands & feet to yourself.	Enter the building quietly. Report any incident to staff on duty when they happen. Return borrowed sports equipment.

Bell Schedule

We have altered our Bell Schedule to account for student transition times during class. The new schedule has 5-minute breaks between each class and after lunch.

With this 5-minute break time, students are expected to be inside of their classroom BEFORE the bell rings. If a student arrives after the bell, they will be marked "tardy."

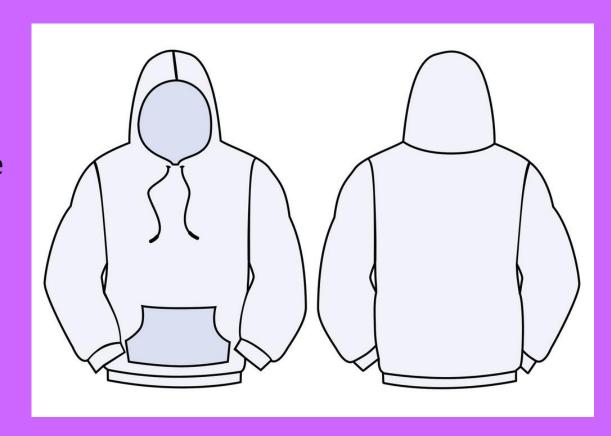


School Clothing

School clothing has been distributed to all students who ordered.

If your child has not received their order, please contact Ms. Dennis at andrea.dennis@nbed.nb.ca

Thank you to everyone who ordered!



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Proper Clothing for School

Students are expected to dress properly for school each day. This means, wear clothing appropriate for learning.

Proper dress for school **does not** include pajamas. Students wearing pajamas will be asked to call home to get a change of clothes.



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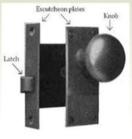


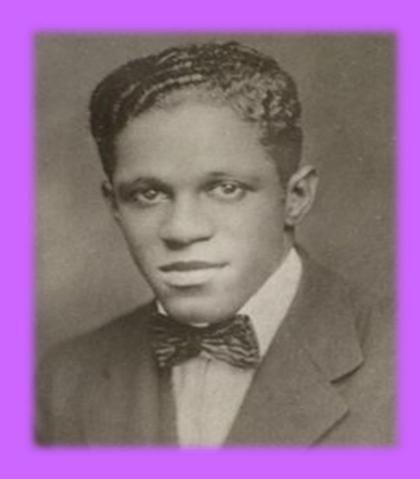
Black History is our History

Famous Inventors

- Osbourn Dorsey
- The U.S. Patent Office received a submission made for improvements on a door-closing device by an African American inventor named Osbourn Dorsey. **Door knobs** and **door handles** are now a vital part of modern doors!







Athletics

Basketball provincials are this weekend on Saturday and Sunday! The Boys' team is playing in Hampton and the Girls' team is playing in Sussex. Please forward any questions to the coaches. Good luck Lightning!

Tuesday – Boys' HOME game vs. Beaconsfield Wednesday – Girls' HOME game vs. Beaconsfield



Power Play Young Entrepreneur Fair

When: February 29th at 9:30am

Where: Barnhill School Gym

Who: 8 Lamprea, 8 L. Smith, 7/8 Staples

Why: Support students with their businesses by looking at or purchasing their products.

Parents and Guardians are welcome to attend.

Students are looking forward to showcasing their hard work and business knowledge.







Grade 6
Madilyn Deveau
Anlin Sheron
Grace Doherty
Hope Ghodian
Parkin Hubbard

Grade 7
Gavin Seymour
Gabriel Daley
Savannah Burns
Grace Wright
Gabrielle Kelter

Grade 8

Molly Boyle

Seth Gillespie

Washel McGrath

Layla Forsythe



Difference Maker Award

We are proud to be participating in the "Difference Maker" initiative. This is an award given out by the Saint John Police Force to Middle School students in the city.

Criteria and eligibility:

- One student from grade 6-8 per school, per month
- Student must demonstrate leadership in punctuality, good manners, kindness, and citizenship
- Student must contribute to making a difference in the lives of peers, staff, and volunteers, and is dedicated to a positive, healthy school environment

The "Difference Maker" recipient for January is Grade 7 student Bryce Richardson!

BARNHILL STAFF SPOTLIGHT

Mrs. Tracey Galbraith

Educational Assistant

EA Experience: 25

Years at Barnhill: 13

What do you love about being an EA? "First of all, I love my job. Love the kids, I love being part of a team."

Interest/Activities: Hiking, I love being outside

Interesting Fact: I love fashion (shopping)

Family: Spouse (Melissa), son (Corey) and

grandson (Silas)



COUNSELLOR'S

BUILD SELF-ESTEEM AND CONFIDENCE IN YOUR KID

As teens search for their place in the world, many struggle through situations that challenge beliefs about themselves they've clung to for years.

The reality is the teenage years are full of change.

Here are some tips to help build their self-esteem and confidence:

- Make Room for Failure: When you criticize, panic, or gloss over a failure, you emphasize a fixed mindset, instead, take a deep breath and open up that conversation.
- Help them Gain New and Lacking Skills: When you identify an area of concern or notice a challenge, encourage your teen to see this as an opportunity to grow, learn and expand their interests and abilities.
- **Give Reassurance:** Remind your child they are not a "bad person" for moving on from a toxic friendship or choosing an activity over a boyfriend/girlfriend.

Any Questions?

Email: terrilynn.vanderbeck@nbed.nb.ca

Important Dates Coming Up Pink Shirt Day - February 28

THE RAINBOW CONNECTION

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the quality or practice of helping or supporting other people who are part of a group that is treated badly or unfairly, although you are not yourself a member of this group.

REMEMBER, ANYONE CAN BE AN ALLY. JOIN THE GSA IF YOU WANT TO SUPPORT THE LGBTQ COMMUNITY

EVERY THURSDAY AT LUNCH IN ROOM 30

Presented by Barnhill GSA



PINK SHIRT DAY

Pink Shirt Day is on Wednesday. February 28th!

We will be selling t-shirts to students starting next week and they will get their shirts the 26th and 27th.

The t-shirts come in sizes small - xlarge.



Cost - \$7 each

If your child would like a t-shirt, money can be brought to the office during Foundations.

On the Horizon...

- Winter Carnival will be February 26 March 1.
- Skating at Peter Murray on Feb 26
- Pink Shirt Day is February 28
- March Break is from March 4 8

