

Lightning News for March 14th – 18th, 2022

Barnhill does their Best! Better Every Single Time.

The theme for the month of March is purpose.

"The purpose of education is to replace an empty mind with an open one." $\ \simeq \$ Malcolm S Forbes \simeq

As of today, March 14th, 2022, all Covid restrictions have been lifted. It is important to note that while students and staff will no longer be required to wear a mask in school, some will prefer to continue wearing a mask and it is important to know that this will be respected. We understand that families will have different perspectives on COVID-19 safety measures. While some of our families are relieved to see the protocols ending, there are other families, students, and staff who will experience some anxiety as restrictions and safety measures are lessened. Everyone has experienced this pandemic differently, and we ask that everyone be treated with respect and kindness.

Our returning PBIS initiative for the month of March is called "Do and Dash". Administration will go into the classes and catch the entire class doing the right thing and they win prizes. The students have loved this initiative in the past.

A message from the Phys Ed Team

We are looking for a girl's volleyball coach. If you are interested, please contact the school so we can ensure we have a girl's Volleyball Team.

Boys Volleyball tryouts are Tuesday March 15th, and Thursday March 17th.

A message from the Social Studies Team

If you are interested in completing an optional Heritage Fair Project for March 28th, please speak to your Social Studies teacher tomorrow, March 14th, for more information. The theme for this year is *"Decouvrons Nos Porteurs de Patrimoine/Discover Our Storytellers"*.

There will be French interviews for randomly selected grade 6 students. The students were selected by the province. Good luck to all our students, we are sure you will represent Barnhill well.

Thursday, March 17th is St. Patrick's Day – Why do we celebrate St. Patrick's? The day commemorates Saint Patrick in Ireland and observes the heritage and culture of the Irish in general. It is a global celebration. Celebrations usually involve public parades and the wearing of green attire and shamrocks. So, staff and students pull out your green clothing and celebrate!

Also on March 17th, We will be having a <u>dance</u>! This will be our first dance in 2 years. We will exercise safety protocols, such as hand sanitization stations and HEPA filters located in the

gymnasium. At this time, there will only be Barnhill students in attendance. If you'd like to sign up as a parent volunteer, please contact Mrs. Muise at <u>liza.muise@nbed.nb.ca</u> The kids will be really excited, and nervous about their first dance in a long time. Staff are looking forward to offering this opportunity to our students.

Dance admission is \$5.00, and there will be a canteen. All items will be \$1.00 or \$2.00.

Congratulations to the winners of the <u>Remembrance Day Poster Contest</u>, and Literary Contest.

1st place black and white poster - Kyla Stewart – Grade 6

2nd place black and white poster – Benjamin Morse – Grade 6

1st place color poster – Sarah Daigle – Grade 8

1st place poem – Willow McGrath – Grade 8

2nd place poem – Sara Duguay – Grade 8

3rd place poem – Danielle Bradford – Grade 8

1st place essay – Corinne Hill – Grade 8

2nd place essay – Carly McKinley – Grade 8

Congratulations to all our students. Barnhill students always represent the school very well. You all made the school very proud!

March is Nutrition month! Healthy eating looks different for everyone.

Always remember we have a student led breakfast program here at school.

Yearbooks: We will be receiving yearbook forms this week, and as soon as we do we will send them home.

On the Horizon:

March 25th – No school. Staff Professional Learning Day.

Report Cards: The second home report will be issued on April 11th.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 658-5972 or liza.muise@nbed.nb.ca

Thank you.

Mrs. Liza Muise