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December 3, 2012

Important Dates

December 19th - Christmas Concert – beginning at 9:30am (snow date Dec. 20th 9:30am) December 21st – Last day for students (**FULL DAY**)

What You Need to Know

Havelock Activities

Students continue to participate in a variety of activities at the school. After Christmas, we will be hosting other events so be sure to look in your child's book bag for notices and to listen to voice mail.

We are creating a **PowerPoint** presentation that we will use to highlight Havelock activities throughout the year. This presentation will feature events and students throughout the year. We are looking for pictures that you might have taken to add to our collection. This presentation will be internal use only and will not be posted on our website. If you have pictures you have taken during a field trip, skating, special event etc. please email a copy to Mrs. King at cynthia.freeman-king@nbed.nb.ca. We will happily take any pictures you send but we are specifically looking for pictures for the following:

- Open House (Sept.)
- WITS Opening Ceremony
- FI Cultural presentation
- Cross Country
- Bus safety
- Beaconsfield Haunted House (gr. 5s)
- Crane Mountain (gr. 4s)

- Remembrance Day
- "Mo"vember ceremony
- West Side Santa Claus Parade
- Soccer Jamboree
- Basketball Jamboree
- Parent Association sponsored events

Christmas Concert

Our Christmas concert is December 19th at 9:30am. We will be collecting non-perishable food items for the West Side Food Bank as we do every year. Also, to support our CHAT project (see details below) we will have a variety of items made by the students for sale. They make great stocking stuffers! We are also offering a chance to have the Best Seats in the House at the concert (complete with your reserved parking space for the event)!

Havelock Students supporting D.A.R.E.

Downey Ford is holding a contest to see who gets to benefit from its yearly Drive One fundraiser. D.A.R.E program has the opportunity to be chosen. Please take the time to vote for this worthy project which benefits our grade 5 students.

"Thank you for participating in the Drive One 4 UR Community for the event to be held in 2013. As we've discussed previously, the 6 charities involved need to send as many voters as possible to the site listed below. The charity with the most votes on February 28th at midnight will get to hold a Drive One 4 UR Community event which will raise up to \$12000.00 for that charity." The links below can be used on your website or on Facebook to direct voters.

http://www.facebook.com/pages/Downey-Ford/258850914182505?v=app_208195102528120

We Need Your Help!

If you would like to donate the following, please drop it off to the office:

- Outdoor toys suitable for the playground
- Odds and ends of craft supplies you no longer use

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Adopt Havelock!

This holiday season, if you're shopping at Indigo or are going to buy a gift card for a loved one, consider purchasing an Indigo e-gift card first, through Adopt a School. For every e-gift card sold, Indigo will give a book to the school of your choice (hopefully it is Havelock ©). It's a small, but sure way for you or a loved one to shop while helping your school put even more books into their library.

Havelock School is part of the Indigo Adopt a School program. To see how you can help support our school when you are purchasing books, please go to <u>adoptaschool.indigo.ca</u> or join on Facebook.

To date, we have received 2 books! Thank you!

FUNDRAISER FOR OUR SPECIAL GLOBAL CITIZENS PROJECT:



CHAT to the Future

Havelock students have been awarded a \$400 grant from BellAliant to start microbusinesses that will hopefully generate money to help support a child in Uganda as part of the Care and Hope through Adoption and Technology program. Chat to the Future was started by a teacher at SJHS and his World Issues Students. They originally helped to build a school and CHAT now has a home that houses children in need. Without the support of CHAT these children would live in poverty, with no education and little hope for the future. Our Havelock students are supporting a

young girl called Nakato Catherine and she needs extra support due to heart issues. **Currently**, we have students who are diligently recycling our drink containers as well as others who will be making beautiful jewelry, hair ribbons, and other products that will be for sale during parent-teacher interviews, the Christmas concert and throughout the year. Please help us by the supporting your child's efforts. If you would like to learn more, please check Chat out at this link -- http://chattothefuture.org/

Children and Nutrition

Our Public Health Reg. Dietitian has an Intern with her this month and she has written some helpful nutrition tips for parents

By: Geneviève Comeau

Article #1:

How to make my child eat?

It's normal for children to have a preference for certain types of food like adults do, and sometimes it can be hard to convince them to eat anything. A good way to encourage your child to eat is to be creative about how you present the food you serve. For example, you could cut the bread for the sandwiches in the shape of a star or make a happy face with the food on the plate. Some easy changes in meal presentation can transform your fussy child into a happy child.

Article #2

The right drink for your child.

Everyday children use up a lot of energy to learn at school, do sports, play with friends etc. They need to take in energy and keep hydrated throughout the day. Energy drinks might seem attractive to provide them with an extra boost; however these drinks are not recommended for children because they extremely high in caffeine and sugar. The best drink choices for your child are water, milk or a glass of pure fruit juice so they can receive the energy they need.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE TO PARENTS / GUARDIANS

ANGLOPHONE SOUTH SCHOOL DISTRICT

(formerly School Districts 6, 8 & 10)

SCHOOL CLOSURES DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER

Anglophone South School District is committed to the safe and efficient transportation of students and recognizes that it may be necessary to cancel a bus run(s), close school(s), or delay school opening to ensure students are not endangered by hazards brought on by poor weather or road conditions.

The following options are considered when deciding what to do during inclement weather situations:

- 1. Schools are open as usual in which case no announcement will be made.
- 2. All schools are closed for the day with an appropriate announcement being relayed to:

- the local radio stations prior to 6:30 a.m.,
- the District website (www.asd-s.nbed.nb.ca)
- follow us on twitter http://twitter.com/ASD South
- the District Information Phone line (toll free: 1-855-535-7669 [SNOW]).

Parents are encouraged to access the above noted methods early in the morning, particularly on days when the weather is inclement.

- **3.** Schools are closed by Education Centre:
 - Hampton Education Centre (formerly District 6)
 - Saint John Education Centre (formerly District 8)
 - St Stephen Education Centre (formerly district 10)

Schools within an Education Centre may be closed depending on conditions.

- 4. School bus routes are delayed one hour. On these occasions, all schools will open at their regular time to receive students. Students arriving late will not be penalized.
- 5. Schools may be closed early on days when the weather conditions are anticipated to deteriorate significantly during the day. Every effort will be made to notify parents via the radio or by telephone for students in Kindergarten to Grade 5. Parents are reminded of the importance of ensuring alternate arrangements are in place for their child(ren) in cases when they or another adult will not be available to be home.

During the winter months, there may be occasions when the condition of a particular road along a bus driver's route is hazardous. Individual school bus drivers have a responsibility to recommend to their supervisor either the cancellation or delay of their individual bus runs should they have a safety concern. Whenever possible, notice of a late bus or a cancelled bus run will be announced on the radio and posted on the Website.

While the loss of valuable instruction time is always a concern, the safety of students is paramount. The decision to close schools is always made with this in mind. If schools remain open, and as a parent/guardian you feel that conditions in your area are not conducive to your child going to school, then ultimately, you have the final decision whether or not to send your child to school. Absences on these days will not be a factor in a student's attendance record.

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