



HAVELOCK NEWS

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Offre un environnement d'apprentissage positif et productif.*

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What You Need to Know

Havelock Activities

There have been some changes to our security procedures as per District instructions. Parents are required to sign in as usual but are also required to wear a visitor badge if they will be in any part of the building other than the office. Thank you for your cooperation.

Notice and registration for Mad Science went out this past week. If your child is interested in participating, please complete the form and return it to the school by **Wednesday, January 30th**. Financial assistance is available.

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.

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
- Board games for those cold indoor recess days



Havelock School Outreach to Africa

This school year, a group of globally aware young people at Havelock have been given the opportunity to create micro-businesses to support a child in Uganda. Using a \$400 seed grant from BellAliant, students have been able to buy materials to manufacture goods for sale during the Christmas season. Students from grades 2-5 produced products that included Lavender bathtub salts, beaded jewelry, duct tape hair accessories and silly bands, plus origami Christmas ornaments. Their sales were tremendous as the super sales staff (some grade fours and fives), encouraged parents and guests at Parent/Teacher night and the Christmas concert to step up and shop. The monies raised are helping a Ugandan CHAT child live a more secure life with good food each day, a roof over her head and an opportunity to go to school. CHAT (Care and Hope through Adoption and Technology) is a registered charity started by teacher, Adam McKim and his World Issues class at SJHS. The Havelock students have been matched with a specific child at the CHAT House. In the near future, the Havelock students will have the opportunity to SKYPE with the children in the chat house. They continue to work on behalf of Nakato Catherine.

Dressing Warmly

Parents are reminded to ensure that children come to school wearing clothing appropriate for the weather. Layers are best to help with temperature fluctuations. Hats and mitts are a must on the playground and a change of clothing left at the school will avoid a call to you if your child gets wet. While we use sound judgment, based on current information, (precipitation, windchill, etc.) as to when we send the children outside to play, please always dress your child anticipating that they will go outside.

Should you keep your child home due to extreme cold weather, it is required that you send a **written notice** to your child's teacher once your child returns. With a **written** excuse, the absence is not counted against their attendance.

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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