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Good Afternoon,

This is Greg Norton, Principal of Lorne Middle School, here with a few announcements regarding upcoming events @ your school for the week of Feb. 23rd – 27th.

The Simonds High School & Harborview High School Open House will be held on Monday, Feb. 23rd @ 6:30 p.m. All interested Grade 8 students and their families are encouraged to attend.

As part of Black History Month the Grade 6 Social Studies class will travel onboard the PALS Kids on the Go Bus on the morning of Monday, Feb. 23rd and the Grade 7 Social Studies class will travel on the bus the afternoon of Feb. 24th, as part of an interactive “Talk and Tour” throughout our City of Saint John. This Black History Month tour in partnership with PRUDE Saint John (Pride of Race, Unity, and Dignity through Education) will honor the legacy of past and present Black Canadians who call Saint John home.

Monday, Feb. 23rd students will have opportunity to participate in the Dine & Dance. This event features a hot spaghetti lunch followed by a noon-time sock-hop; helping melt those Winter-time blues away!

On Monday, Feb. 23rd participating students will travel to Long & McQuade for personalized guitar and percussion instrument lessons. This co-curricular activity is part of a seven part series that allows students to select from a range of programs in the sports and arts field. Thanks to PALS, PRO Kids and TELUS for piloting this program at Lorne Middle School. Consent forms are required for students to participate. For more information please contact Mr. Norton

Tuesday, Feb. 24th is Jersey Day! Jersey Day is a celebration of sport from grassroots to high-performance. This is an opportunity for all Lorne Middle School students and staff to celebrate the power of sport, build community and team spirit while promoting healthy, active living.

Students will have opportunity to travel to P.E.S. on the morning of Tuesday, Feb. 24th, to experience a powerful message from Eric Crookshank, Mill Rats Basketball Player. The presentation entitled “It’s Not Just a Game: My Journey from the Streets to Professional Basketball” is sure to entertain, encourage and inspire our students! Consent forms are required to participate.

Wednesday, Feb. 25th is Pink Shirt Day. We encourage everyone to wear something pink to show that we are all working together to prevent bullying in our schools, in our communities and online. Pink Shirt Day comes from two Nova Scotia high school students, who decided to take a stand against bullying in their own school.

The UNBSJ Promise Partnership Team are sponsoring a High School Transition Program for Grade 8 students at Lorne Middle School. The next program date is Wednesday, February 25th. The program better equips students for transition to high school and provides them with the skills necessary to make a successful transition to Grade 9. For more information on this valuable Grade 8 program please contact Mr. Norton or Mrs. Lisik. Please be reminded that lunch will be provided for all Grade 8 students who attend the program.

Thursday, Feb. 26th is Blue & Gold School Spirit Day! All students and staff are encouraged to show their school spirit by wearing blue & gold colours. Come out and show your Phoenix pride by donning blue & gold!

Nick Pereira: Youth Speaker & Leadership Coach will present an energy packed assembly on the morning of Thursday, Feb. 26th to our students. This high energy, high impact speech will not only inspire and motivate, it will challenge our students to create action oriented thinking and remove the excuses in their lives.

High School Registration will be taking place during the month of February. It is very important that the families of our Grade 8 students have their addresses updated, as letters will be sent to the home address confirming registration for the fall. Questions regarding the High School registration process contact Mr. Belyea, Mrs. Slipp or Mr. Norton.

For a complete list of the week’s activities & future events please refer to Lorne online @ www.lornems.nbed.nb.ca, or follow us on Twitter @LorneMS. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the before mentioned announcements please call the school office @ 658-5351. We always welcome your feedback on how to make our school a better place to learn and visit!

Yours in Education,

Greg Norton
Principal