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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. 9<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>.

*February 10<sup>th</sup> has been designated Safer Internet Day. During the week of February 9<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> your child will participate in an Internet Safety Presentation at his or her school.*

*The internet has changed the way we communicate. With this change comes a new set of precautions of which students need to be aware. This includes how to remain safe online and an awareness of the risks involved in sharing photos, videos, or personal information whether it's via a computer, a game console, a tablet, or a cell phone. We encourage you to take some time to discuss with your child the information they received. By having these discussions at home, you will help reinforce important safety strategies learned at school and ensure your child is better prepared to properly deal with difficult situations she/he may encounter.*

On Monday, Feb. 9<sup>th</sup> 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

As a prelude to heritage week starting February 9<sup>th</sup> our students will have opportunity to learn some community history from local historian Harold Wright on the afternoon of Tuesday, Feb. 10<sup>th</sup>. The focus of the conversation will be on the history of the Old North End. Thank you to Mrs. Lisik for making this historic experience possible.

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 11<sup>th</sup>. 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.

In partnership with our community police officer, Grade 7 students will have their next regular DARE Class on the afternoon of Thursday, Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>. We appreciate the support of our local police and valuable information learned in this Drug Abuse Resistance Education course.

Friday, Feb. 13<sup>th</sup> is a Professional Learning Day for Staff; there is no school for students on this day.

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](http://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

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of ourselves, others, and our community.”