



St. Martins School

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New Stage

With the hard work of the Home & School Association, and the St. Martins Chamber of Commerce, I'm pleased to say that we have finally received our new stage. This new addition is different from our previous stage in that it is in six movable sections. This way, we can configure it that suits our needs at the time. We want to send a big thank you to our sponsors without whom our new stage would not have been possible.

Remembrance Day Service

On Friday, November 9, we held our Remembrance Day Service. This came one day after we had Lt (Navy) Phil Blackmore speak to the students during our Thursday afternoon assembly. Lt Blackmore gave the students a brief history of the Canadian Forces and their involvement over the past one hundred years. He questioned the students on their knowledge of the

history of the Armed Forces and took time to answer their questions on the subject. At one point too, he even had a student acting as his assistant while he demonstrated some basic drill.

Each year the students submit posters, essays and poems to the local Legion as part of a contest commemorating Remembrance Week. This year Josh E., was awarded first place in the poem contest for his poem "I am One of Thousand That Died". Along with Josh's poem, Makayla H., was awarded first place in the poster contest for her poster showing a child and soldier together. Both Josh and Makayla's work will go on to be judged provincially. Good luck to them both!

Science East to Visit

During the Parent/Teacher meetings on Wednesday, November 28, Science East will be set up in the gym

with several displays on Environmental Science. Feel free to stop in the gym and take a look and the free displays.

LifeTouch Picture Retakes Orders

For those who had picture retakes done, if you want to order please have them back to the school by November 23 so we can send them along to Lifetouch.

The '50s at St. Martins

To celebrate the fiftieth day of school, the elementary classes dressed up in '50s clothing on Friday, November 16th. They danced to '50's music, wrote on records they made about what it was like back in the 1950s and did counting games for math all relating to that time period.

The students and teachers enjoyed the day dressing up and learning something new.

Dates to Remember

Gr. 4-8 trip to F'ton.	Nov. 21
Report Cards	Nov. 26
Evening Parent Teacher 4:30-7:30	Nov. 28
Afternoon Parent Teacher 1-3	Nov. 30
No School for Students	Nov. 30
Welcome to K Day 2:30-4:00	Dec. 4
David Goss, author visit	Dec. 5
Christmas Concert 6:00 PM	Dec. 12
Last Day of School	Dec. 21
No School PD for teachers	Jan. 7&8
Students Return	Jan. 9

Breakfast for Learning

Each morning the students at school can have a free breakfast. This is done, in part, with a grant from Breakfast For Learning and their corporate sponsor Superstore and our very own Home & School Association. Thanks to the Home & School Association and Superstore with their assistance and donations to the breakfast program. I

want to thank, too, the local organizations and citizens who drop off supplies for the breakfast program from time to time. It is all greatly appreciated.



Report on Achievement 2011-12

Dear Parents/Guardians:

As Minister of Education and Early Childhood Development, I am pleased to release our department's Reports on Achievement from the 2011-2012 school year. You can view these reports by visiting www.gnb.ca/education or access them through your school.

Each year, the department publishes these reports to give a snapshot of how each of our schools and school districts compare to provincial achievement targets. These reports give parents valuable information as they look for ways to support their child's learning in partnership with teachers, school staff, Home and School Associations, and parent school support committees.

Our focus is always on our children and how we make the greatest difference for them. Each child deserves the chance to succeed as we build our province together. We are working to ensure each child receives the support to reach his or her full potential in safe, positive, inclusive learning environments. Everyone has a responsibility and a role to play in improving our school system. I will continue to work with all our partners, including parents, teachers, school staff, school districts, district education councils, parent school support committees and Home and School Associations. Together, we will position New Brunswick's public education system so that all children have the opportunity to reach their full potential.

I am proud to be your Minister of Education and Early Childhood Development and I look forward to working with you as we address our challenges and build on our opportunities. The success of our students today will shape New Brunswick's future.

I encourage you to speak with your child's teacher regarding his or her individual performance on the provincial assessments and to become involved in helping us improve the learning experience for our children.

Jody Carr

Minister of Education and Early Childhood Development