

Website:

<https://secure1.nbed.nb.ca/sites/district8/schools/westfield/Pages/default.aspx>

Twitter: westfield_elem

Please remember that we have weekly voicemail, weekly emails, almost daily TWITTER posts, and we update the webpage regularly. Twitter messages and voicemail messages are found on our website too as well as a calendar. Newsletters will be mainly for events.

Keep an eye in book bags this month for an afterschool STEAM enrichment camp called



Snapology provides an interactive, hands-on learning experience to explore science, technology, engineering, art and math (S.T.E.A.M) concepts. They will have so much fun they won't even know it is educational! Snapology offers 1 hour after-school enrichment classes on a variety of topics. Programs typically run one day per week for 6-8 consecutive weeks. A Westfield Camp will start after March Break.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL GRADES K & 5 PARENTS / GUARDIANS

Information Nights, regarding program selection for September 2020, will be held according to the following schedule.

The information will be provided on options for **Grades 1 and 6 students**: English Prime Program, Early French Immersion Program (Gr 1. entry) and the Late Gr. 6 French Immersion Program.

Parents/guardians are invited to whichever meeting they wish to attend. The information presented will be the same at all meetings.

PROGRAMS INFORMATION MEETINGS January 2020

SAINT JOHN EDUCATION CENTER				
Date	Time	Location	"Snow" Date	Presenters Director of Schools & FSL Subject Coordinators
Monday February 10, 2020	6:30 P.M.	Barnhill Memorial School	Tuesday, Feb. 11 at Barnhill Memorial School	Paul Smith, Jillian Ingalls Garey
Monday February 3, 2020	6:30 P.M.	Saint John Ed Center, 490 Woodward Ave., Donaldson Room	Wednesday Feb. 12 at Saint John Ed Center, 490 Woodward Ave., Donaldson Room	Paul Smith, Jennifer Kelty & Gina Comeau

Home and School News

PHOTOGRAPHY FUNDRAISER – February 22 (9-4)

Book your appointment now!

Photographers: Amanda Carhart, Samantha Parker photography (afternoon), Amy Stewart photography (morning)

\$25 for 3 photos taken with 3 different backgrounds (1 background per photo) taken by 3 different photographers.

***you will receive a digital copy of them- NO PRINTS

Each session will be 15 minutes long. ***no wardrobe changes allowed

Photos will be taken from (will post soon) with time slots starting every 5 minutes. Please arrive 15 minutes prior to your appointment to register, hang jackets and take off footwear.

To book an appointment please see our three steps!

1. Post what time range (half hour) you would like to book
2. email us at westfieldplayground@gmail.com so we can forward the registration form to you to fill out and send back to us by Feb 15
3. To secure your spot, payment must be also be made by Saturday Feb 15 and it can be sent by e-transfer to westfieldplayground@gmail.com with the password photography. If you are unable to pay by e-transfer, please send us a PM.

If you need to cancel refunds will be given until February 15 unless your spot can be filled by Thursday February 20. Monies raised will go towards building our inclusive accessible playground.

Mini sessions are open to the public. Pics can be taken of children, families, couples, etc

STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK

We are planning the staff appreciation week Feb 10 to Feb 14. We are looking for parents to help!

Monday- dessert bar

Tuesday- breakfast on the go

Wednesday- potluck lunch

Thursdays- send a special note about to some staff from you or your child. Don't forget the gym and music teachers, EAs, Resource, Admin, and Custodians as well as your child's teacher.

Friday- Timbits

If you can help make or bring stuff please email westfieldplayground@gmail.com so we can keep track and not all bring the same food. There are some allergies in the school so No peanuts/tree nuts, we need some gluten free and dairy free food and vegetarian dishes.

Let's show the staff some Love!!!

A NEW WES ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT - THE ECOBRICK !

What is an eco-brick? It is a 2L pop bottle stuffed with clean and dry non-organic and nonrecyclable items like plastic bags, cling wrap, chip packets etc. Use a dowel or wooden spoon to compact everything as tight as you can into the bottle. We would like to use these bricks to make a planter outside of our school!

- ✓ is in a see-through 2 litre bottle
- ✓ is full of non-recyclable plastics and foils
- ✓ is strong enough to stand on
- ✓ is un-squishable when you squeeze it
- ✓ has NO food, paper or stones in it
- ✓ weighs 400-500g or more
- ✓ has a lid on it
- ✓ the bottle label is inside the eco brick
- ✓ has your name on it



February Dates to note:

- 10TH - Garnett going on a field trip on the PALS bus.
- 11th - Home and School meeting
- 13th - skating
- 17th - no school
- 19th TNB Young Company performance
- 21st – Indigenous Education assembly

**Remember if there is a snow day, you can always do a good deed for someone you know and read a book!*

Skating News

River Valley Arena: February 13 and 27th

TD Station: March 7 – 1:15-2:15

Community Skating event - Grand Bay Primary, Inglewood School and Westfield School

Westfield School will be offering skating for the students again this year. It will take place at the River Valley Rink. The students will be bussed to the arena accompanied by school staff. \$22.00 School fees will pay for the skating. We still have families who have not paid this fee.

	Room 2	Room 3	Room 4
9:00-9:45	Stevenson and Belyea	Burley and Lamprea	Ewart & Dupuis
10:00-10:45	Arthurs & Morin	Fredericks and Vail	Gorman and Logan
11:00-11:45	Green & Janes	Garnett and Doyle	McKeown

Parents and guardians please keep in mind the following safety issues so we may ensure safety for all students on the ice:

1. Helmets must be worn.
2. Children should be wearing properly fitted skates and warm clothing.
3. Skates cannot be transported in a plastic bag. They must be in a stronger type bag such as a book bag.
4. Children are not permitted to go to the rink if they are not skating.
5. Skating is for the staff and students of Westfield and volunteers. We are asking that you do not bring other children or siblings if you are there to volunteer.
6. Hockey sticks or chairs are not permitted on the ice.
7. No shoes are permitted on the ice.
8. We are therefore asking that no food or drink is consumed at the rink. Please ensure that your child has a good breakfast. Children will have snack before or after their skating time.
9. Due to the large number of students who are on the ice skating, rink management will not allow sleds, strollers, etc. to be used on the ice.

If your child does not own skates, there are some skates available through the school. Please send a note to the school with your child(ren)'s size(s) and we may be able to assist. If anyone has any skates to donate, that would be appreciated too. Please sign the permission portion below, cut on the line and return it to your child's teacher ASAP. Thank you.

Winterfest Dress up Days and Special Things to Note

February 24 – Dress like Royalty

February 25 – Message on your shirt day and Popcorn sale

February 26 – Pink Shirt and shades

February 27 – Twin Day (find someone to dress alike with) and skating

February 28 – Workout Wear and Calathumpian Performance (part of the \$22.00 student fee collected)

<p style="text-align: center;">Permission Slip for skating class _____</p> <p>I give permission for _____ to go on the bus to skating at the RVCC.</p> <p>Parent Signature: _____</p> <p>Date: _____</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Popcorn order slip</p> <p>On February 25, my child would like a bag of popcorn for \$1.00. I have enclosed the loonie.</p> <p>Name: _____</p> <p>Class: _____</p>
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