



Island Views and News

February, 2011

Dear Parents and Guardians,

February will be a busy month at Island View. I hope you find the following of interest:

Our Home and School Association is sponsoring our winter carnival February 23-24. The Carnival schedule will be sent home soon. Highlights of the carnival include our evening talent show on February 23, storytelling by local author David Goss and skating. Students will travel by school bus to and from River Valley Arena in Grand Bay for skating on the morning of Feb 24. **Students must wear helmets.** Parents are encouraged to join us at the rink. We are always in need of volunteers to help with skate lacing. We also need need volunteers for other activities. If you are available, please call Pam Clark at 652-9052 or e-mail her at clarky5@rogers.com.

Island View is hosting a District 8 Basketball Jamboree after school on Tuesday, February 8 for Grades 4 and 5 students.

During the week of February 21-25 we will be recognizing the 100th day of school! Once again this year, as part of our Math program, K- 2 children will be celebrating this special day with a variety of activities all related to the number 100.

When dropping off or picking up children, please pull over to the side of the school roadway to allow other vehicles to safely pass. This will help maintain a smooth flow of traffic. Please do not drop children off at the front entrance, as this is for buses only. Also, please remember that to ensure we start classes on time, **CHILDREN ARE TO ARRIVE AT SCHOOL BY 8:05 AM** to enter school with their class and get ready for the school day. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter, as children arriving late disrupt teaching and learning.

As a safety precaution during recess times, we place a barrier across the road near the junior wing playground to block traffic. **Please do not remove or drive around this barrier.**

We will hold our school Talent Show on the evening of February 23rd starting at 6:30 pm. Admission to the show will be \$2.00 per ticket, with the proceeds being donated to school projects supporting children in the Third World.

Our school web site is <http://islandview.nbed.nb.ca> Check us out to keep up with school events, check out class websites and follow the links to many interesting educational sites. On Sunday evenings we send home weekly talk mail messages with reminders of school events. These messages are also posted on our school website under Principal's Weekly Message. Starting this month, our monthly newsletter will be posted as well.

Our Home & School Association will hold its next meeting on Monday, February 21 at 6:30 pm in the school library. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Our PSSC will hold its monthly meeting on February 28 at 6:00 pm at the school. All parents are welcome to attend.

Island View has been confirmed as a demonstration site for the use of netbooks to enhance student learning. The netbooks have arrived at the school and will soon be available for student use at all grade levels. We are one of four elementary schools in the province participating in the demonstration project.

February is Free Admission Month at the New Brunswick Museum. For further information on February activities, check the Museum website at www.nbm-mnb.ca or call 643 2300 or 1 888 268 9595.

Thank you to Mrs. Dick for arranging a visit from New Brunswick children's author Robert Rayner on February 4th. Mr. Rayner will be conducting writing workshops with our Grades 3-5 students.

Estey Creations will be offering an after school art program at the school for interested Grades 3-5 students. The program will consist of 10 classes on Friday afternoons after school until 4:30 from March 25 to June 17. The cost is \$165.00 +tax per child which includes all materials and supplies. Instructors are professional artists Jessica Rydwansky and Emma Barlow. To register, call Jennifer Krueger at 638-9194. If you would like more details, you or your child may pick up a flyer at the school office or see the flyer on-line on our school website.

Staff Appreciation Week will be held during the week of February 22-26. Anyone wishing to help the Home and School with activities during this week please contact Shelley Scott at 672-2621.

Sincerely,

John G. Sheehan
Principal

