



Virtue of the month: Love

Love is a special feeling that fills your heart. Love is treating people and things with special care and kindness because they mean so much to you. Love is treating other people the way you would like them to treat you – with care and respect.

Without love, people feel alone. When they don't feel they matter to anyone they become unhappy. Everyone wants to be loved. When you are being loving, you help others to feel important. In turn other people become gentler and kinder.

You can practice love by putting yourself in someone else's shoes and caring about what they feel. It is accepting them and loving them just the way they are. You can even be loving to people you don't know by caring about what happens to them and sending loving thoughts. Sharing is a way to show love. Share your belongings, your time, and yourself. Remember love is contagious and keeps spreading. (www.virtuesproject.com)

March Skating Program

We are able to offer our skating program once again this year. Each class will receive three sessions of skating instruction. Please note that this is part of their Physical Education outcomes and not a recreational skate. Students are required to attend and do their best. Parents are asked to support us by ensuring that students are present during their skating times. We have a number of extra skates and helmets which are available to students. Parents are encouraged to assist with getting the skates on and tied, especially in the primary grades.

In the event of a storm day, we will continue to follow the schedule.



SMALL BALL

... coming to NSEE!

Look for registration forms in late March for Basketball clinics that will be available for K-1 and grade 2-3 students. K-1 9:00-10:00

2-3 10:00-11:00

These clinics will introduce students to basic basketball skills every Saturday morning.



NSEE SPORTS

Middle School Girls' Basketball Championship Tournament—

Tuesday, February 24 at NSEE & NSER



Elementary Basketball Jamboree

- February 12th
- 3:30 Boys vs Croft
- 4:30 Boys vs Harkins
- 5:30 Girls vs Harkins
- 6:30 Girls vs St. Andrew's

- February 26th
- 6:30 Girls vs Gretna Green
- 7:30 Girls vs Harkins

Intramural Sports: So far this year grades 3-6 students have participated in Soccer, Handball and Basketball leagues. The games have been very competitive and the students have had a great opportunity to get exposure to different sports. Our next intramural sport will be floor hockey.

North & South Esk Elementary

February 2015



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Time again for another NSEE newsletter highlighting activities and events happening in and around the school. Somewhere in the month of January we passed the halfway mark for the school year. We hope that everyone can strive to have a strong second half. As always, we appreciate you taking the time to read our monthly newsletter. Your input is always welcome.

Jamie Henderson,
Principal



FAMILY LITERACY DAY

On Friday, January 30th students and staff dressed in their best western wear to celebrate National Family Literacy Day. This was the 12th consecutive year that NSEE students have celebrated this event. The day began with an assembly and a story read by guest reader John Schenkels. The students did a sing-along with the song they had practiced throughout the week. Following that, each class was presented with a Mystery Package containing books and classroom activities. Students were treated to a read-aloud in their classrooms which was followed by a treat presented by the NSEE Home and School Association. Home and School also provided a book for every student to keep, as well as books for the classroom library. A big thank you to our Home & School for providing the snack and to our Literacy Day Committee for making the day a huge success!



Principal's Cup

Thursday, February 26th, 2015

Our 12th annual "Principals Cup Hockey Challenge" will be played at Renous Arena at 1:00 o'clock.

Previous year stats are as follows:

2004 - NSEE	2012 NSEE
2005 - Blackville	2013 Blackville
2006 - NSEE	2014 NSEE
2007 - NSEE	
2008 - NSEE	
2009 - Blackville	
2010 - Blackville	



MAD SCIENCE of the Maritimes



Because of the March Break (March 2-6) here are the dates: February 3, 10, 17, 24 March 10 & 17 (projected last class)

KARATE SCHEDULE

FRIDAYS
February 6, 13, 20 and 27
Regular Classes



Upcoming Events

February 4	Home & School meeting
February 12	Elementary Basketball Jamboree #2
February 13	Professional Learning Day (NO SCHOOL)
February 18	PSSC Meeting 6:30
February 26	Principal's Cup
February 23 - 27	Winter Carnival Week
February 26	Pink Shirt Day (Anti Bullying)
February 26	Elementary Basketball Jamboree #3
March 2-6	March Break
March 9	Home and School Meeting 6pm
March 17	St. Patrick's Day
March 19	French Cultural Show
March 24	Report Cards issued
March 25	MS Regional Science Fair
March 26	Evening Parent/Teacher (PT) visits
March 27	AM PT Day/PM PD Day (NO SCHOOL)
April 1	TNB - The Eighth Fire
April 3	Good Friday
April 6	Easter Monday
April 8	Elementary Science Fair
April 12	Home and School Meeting
April 22	PSSC Meeting 6:30
April 30	NBTA AGM (NO SCHOOL)
May 1	NBTA Council Day (NO SCHOOL)
May 4	Home & School Meeting
May 18	Victoria Day

FILL YOUR BUCKET

We are enthusiastically continuing our character development bucket filling program. Children quickly understand that they can fill buckets when they do and say things that are kind, considerate, caring, and respectful. They also learn that when they are mean, inconsiderate, uncaring or disrespectful, they dip into buckets and remove those good feelings. Even the youngest child understands that actions and words can either fill a bucket or dip into it. During this school year we are encouraging, reminding and recognizing everyone's efforts to be bucket fillers at home, at school and everywhere they go. We are excited about this new program and look forward to your support.

If you would like to learn more about bucket filling, visit the Bucket Fillers website, www.bucketfillers101.com. Bucket Fillers offer a free weekly e-newsletter for parents and teachers.



Congratulations



SUNNY CORNER MAINSTOP 'KID OF THE WEEK'

We would like to congratulate our January "Kids of the Week"



Riley O'Toole



Joseph Blackmore



Ahna Holmes



Jax Tozer

Outdoor Policy During Winter Months

All students will be expected to spend part of the noon-hour period outside when the weather conditions are permitting. Students who wish to play in the deep snow or on the snow banks must wear proper ski suits. Students may be excused from going outside when they have colds and other sicknesses, however, a written excuse from home must be sent on each occasion.

Pink Shirt Day

On Thursday, February 26, 2015 all students and staff are encouraged to wear something pink to symbolize that we don't support bullying of any kind at our school. Pink Shirt Day was started in Nova Scotia by two students and has since become a world-wide stance against bullying. Together, we can take a stand in pink. Thank you for your support!

Staff Appreciation Week - February 9th - 13th

I would like to express my personal appreciation to all of our staff for constantly going out of their way to help make NSEE a wonderful school - *J. Henderson*.



The Home & School Association are planning activities to show their appreciation. You can show your appreciation by sending a simple note or making a "thank you" phone call to a staff member who works hard to help your child.

Everyone knows that it feels nice to be appreciated. Thanks H & S for organizing the events.

Snow Fest 2015

February 23rd—27th

Monday—PJ Day

Tuesday—Crazy Hat/Hair Day

Wednesday—Sports Jersey Day

Thursday—Pink Shirt Day & Principals's Cup (Grade 5 & 6)

Friday—80's Theme Day & Activity Day

