

North & South Esk Elementary

January 2011



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

The staff at NSEE is pleased to welcome back our students after what we hope has been a pleasant Christmas break. We have a couple of staff changes this term. Welcome back to Miss Darcie Mutch who is back after a 4 month sabbatical and welcome back to Bonnie Jardine who has re-joined our staff as a student attendant.

Every new year brings optimism. We hope that everyone at NSEE will continue to strive for excellence in everything they do. Best wishes to everyone for a wonderful year in 2011.

Mike Buggie, Principal

SPECIAL THANKS TO...

- Everyone who made a donation at our **Christmas Concert** in support of charities supported by the school. The total amount raised was **\$417.00**
- Everyone who attended our " **Breakfast with Santa** " on December 4th and to the **Sunny Corner Firemen** for making the breakfast a huge success.
- To **Sherry Manderville** for chairing the " **Breakfast with Santa** " and to all the other volunteers who helped out.
- A very special thanks to **Santa!**

SUNNY CORNER MAINSTOP 'KID OF THE WEEK'

We would like to congratulate the following students who were chosen as "Kid of the Week" during the month of December:

Kyle Esty 6M · Keaton Jardine 1M · Zoe Tozer 4-5D



IMPORTANT DATES

- January 12 - Pre-Kindergarten Meeting @ 7:00 pm
- January 17 - Home & School Meeting @ 7:00 pm
- January 20 - Pre-Kindergarten Testing
- January 28 - Family Literacy Day
- February 9 - C.U.T.E Awards
- February 16 - PSSC Meeting
- March 3 - 21st Century Project Show Case
- March 7-11 - March Break



School Website @ nsee.nbed.nb.ca

A reminder once again that our school website is updated daily with the morning announcements and classroom news. We have been tracking the number of hits to the site and they have been increasing each week.

21st Century Learning

Our students will be involved in small group projects on Tuesday afternoons from now until March Break. Under the theme "We Were There" students will be divided into clusters of 12-15 students from grades K-2 and grades 3-6 to work on heritage type projects. Curriculum outcomes will be covered during the time as well as New Brunswick Competencies of critical thinking and problem solving, collaboration, communication, personal development, self awareness and global citizenship. The projects will be show cased to the public on the evening of March 3, 2011.



School Sports

We are having a very busy year with school sports this year at NSEE. We recently finished with noon hour dodge ball. Floor Hockey has begun with 7 teams playing on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday @ noon. We have two basketball teams on the go. We have a Grade 3-6 boys team coached by Grade 12 students, Sam Wakefield and Kailey Mather; supervised by Mr. Mutch. The Grade 3-6 girls team is coached by Karen Mutch. So You Think You Can Dance will be starting soon...watch for more info to follow. We also have a co-ed volleyball skills program led by Katie Bryenton and Cole Hyland, supervised by Mrs. Carney.

Kountry Kids After School Club

Kountry Kids has expanded once again and will be offering an after school program at NSEE every day after school from 2:00pm to 5:30 pm.

This is a great opportunity for homework to be done and some extra time with friends. There are fun activities for school age children including skating at the rink (more info at a later date). Cynthia (Mutch) Creamer will be running the program. If you are interested or would like more information please contact Lisa Astle @ 836-7722 or by email at jlcastle@nb.sympatico.ca



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.



GET OUR NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL

In an effort to cut down on paper costs, we are offering parents an option to receive our monthly newsletters (and school memos) via email. If you wish to receive our newsletters by email, complete the form below and return it to the school or you can email the information to paula.matchett@nbed.nb.ca

Name: _____

Child Name(s): _____

Email Address: _____



FAMILY LITERACY DAY

We will be celebrating Family Literacy Day on Friday, January 28th.


Created by ABC CANADA Literacy Foundation in 1999, ABC CANADA Family Literacy Day® (FLD) is a National initiative that promotes the importance of reading and learning together as a family. Every year, families and communities across Canada celebrate this special day at literacy-themed events coordinated by literacy organizations, schools and libraries.

Several guest readers will be reading to your child on that day. The students can wear their pajamas to school. They may also bring a small stuffed animal. However, we do not want large stuffed animals or pillows brought to school. A recess snack of milk and cookies will be provided by the Home & School. In the evening, don't forget to share a book together as a family.




SKATING

More Details on the Skating Program will follow as they become available.



KARATE CLASSES

Friday, January 14 - Regular Classes
 Friday, January 21 - Regular Classes
 Friday, January 28 - Regular Classes



PREP FOR SCHOOL

Prep for school will be offered at NSEE every Wednesday from 12:30 — 2:30 beginning on February 2nd. It is a program intended for children entering school in the Fall of 2011. It is social in nature, which means that we will be working on having them ready for, and excited about, going to school.

The program is Free of Charge, and is open to all children. It is for 2 hours, one day a week. It runs from February to May and parents/guardians are expected to stay in the building for the 2 hours. Many parents use this time to work on the projects in the Let's Play and Learn books they receive from the District. If you have any questions or to register call Wendy at 622-7778.

BASKETBALL

GIRLS BASKETBALL SCHEDULE		BOYS BASKETBALL SCHEDULE	
January 18	Practice	January 17	NSEE @ Nelson
January 20	Jamboree	January 20	Jamboree
January 25	NSEE @ Gretna Green	January 24	NSEE @ Millerton
February 1	Blackville @ NSEE	January 31	NSEE @ Gretna Green
February 3	Jamboree	February 3	Jamboree
February 8	NSEE @ Harkins	February 7	St. Andrews @ NSEE
February 15	Practice	February 14	Practice
February 17	Jamboree	February 17	Jamboree

