

October 2024

Picture Day – Picture Day will be on Thursday, October 17th. Retake day has not been booked yet but we will let you know when it is going to be.

Parent Teacher – You will now be able to book an appointment to see your child’s teacher through bookings app. You will receive an email notification approximately 1 week before Parent Teacher Interviews to go online and book your own appointment.

Please note that High School and Kindergarten to grade 8 students have different parent teacher dates.

High School Parent Teacher is on November 21st from 5:00 to 7:00 pm and on Friday, November 22nd from 1:00 – 3:00 pm

Kindergarten to grade 8 Parent Teacher will be on Thursday, December 5th from 5:00 – 7:00pm and on Friday, December 6th from 1:00 – 3:00 pm

Kindergarten Registration for September 2025 -

Pre-Kindergarten registration is the week of October 15th to 18th. If you have a child or know of a child that will be starting Kindergarten in September 2025, please contact Sandra to get information of getting them registered.

Registering gives us the much-needed time to organize and plan for the children. Our staffing for September is based on the student population that we have by the end of May. So, registering ensures that we have the proper number of teachers in place for September 2025.

We will be having a Welcome to Kindergarten Day on an afternoon in May. On this day the children will come to school and see their classroom, go for a little tour, do a couple of activities, while parents meet with administration to find out important details for their child starting school. Parents and children will then go for a short bus ride.

Sports – We have noticed that we are getting an increasing number of phone calls asking for information regarding sports. Announcements are made every morning to remind students of practices and try-outs that are happening after school.

Please note that all sports information is posted on our Home and School Facebook page.

Dates to Remember

October 14	NO SCHOOL (Thanksgiving Day)
October 15-18	Registration for Students Entering Kindergarten in 2023-2024
October 17	Picture Day
October 17	PSSC Meeting
October 19	Bottle Drive
October 25	Whole School Half Day
October 30	Haunted Walk at Pines 6:00pm
November 8	NO SCHOOL (PL Day)
November 11	NO SCHOOL (Remembrance Day)
November 15	Tip Off
November 19	Immunization Day for Grade 7 & 9
November 22	NO SCHOOL (PL Day)
December 6	No School K-8 ONLY
December 20	Last Day of Classes
January 6	Back to School
Jan 20 – Jan 24	Assessment/Demonstration Learning Week – HIGH SCHOOL ONLY
Jan 27 & 28	Turn Around Days – No School – HIGH SCHOOL ONLY
January 29	Semester 2 Begins
February 17	No School – Family Day
March 3-7	March Break

Grad Class Fundraiser – The grad class of 2025 will be having a bottle drive fundraiser on October 19th from 8:00 am – 12:00pm. You can drop bottles off at the school.

If you are unable to drop the bottles off, please call Sandra and give her your name and address and someone will pick the bottles up on the 19th.

Water Bottles & Utensils – This is an important reminder that **we do not provide the students with dixie cups or utensils.** Students MUST remember to bring their own water bottle and utensils with them to school every day.

Also, please remember that we **do NOT** have water fountains, we have water bottle fill stations, so students **NEED** to bring a water bottle with them if they need to have additional drinks during the school day.

Student Fees – reminder that Student Fees were due on the first day of school. If you need to make arrangements to set up a payment plan, please contact the office.

Online payments for student fees are the preferred method of payment. This way, your child does not have to bring money to school and the homeroom teachers do not have to handle and track the cash received. Elementary student fees are \$50. Middle Level and High School student fees are \$40.

What are student fees used for –

- K-5 School Supplies
- K-12 Supplemental Supplies
- Additional resources such as apps & online programs
- Science Fairs, Heritage Fairs, Drama festivals
- Winter carnival, clubs
- Take home projects

If student fees are not paid, the money for the school supplies, co-curricular, extra-curricular activities must come from the school’s regular budget. This then takes away from money available for general classroom supplies, office supplies, school furniture, specialized Resource and Guidance supplies like wiggle chairs. Art supplies, science supplies, Library books, locks for lockers, special prizes and medals, classroom technology, classroom toys, playground equipment and general upkeep of the school. Please contact school if you need to make special arrangements to pay your child’s student fees. Not paying student fees directly impacts the children as we are not able to offer everything that we usually do because we do not have the funds.

Nut Free School – We are a NUT FREE SCHOOL. We have students who have severe allergies to pistachio, cashew, peanut, and tree nuts. Please ensure that you do not send anything to school that contains nuts. Exposure to even tiny amounts of these allergens can cause an allergic reaction and even put these students into anaphylactic shock which can be potentially life threatening. Our goal is to make our school a safe place for all our students.

SCENT FREE BUILDING – Please note that we have a staff member who has SEVERE allergies to scents.

She is not the only person with allergies in the building, we have students who also have allergies to scents.

Please make sure that your child does not come to school wearing any strongly scented products, this also includes you if you are visiting the school:

If your child has an allergy that the school is not aware of, please contact the school so we are aware and can have measures in place in case of an allergic reaction.

Buses

Please note that late/not running buses are announced on the radio, posted on our school website, our Facebook page (if possible) and posted on Anglophone West website. Buses are announced by **NUMBER** not Bus Driver Name. You **MUST** know the bus number of the bus your child travels on. Bus numbers are assigned to each bus route. Sometimes our bus drivers have a spare bus, so you must know the specific number that is assigned to every route. Our drivers are.

- FRED – 317**
- DEAN – 352**
- JACKIE – 311**
- RYAN – 361**
- NORM – 347**

School Cancellations - We are **ZONE 9** for school closures.

Please remember that we always need to be able to reach you during the school day, in case of emergency or closure during the school day. Make sure that your contact information is up to date.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding bus drivers, buses, or their bus route, please contact Transportation at the Oromocto Education Centre. (506) 357-4113, ask for Transportation.

Please remind your child about the bus safety rules.

- Obey the driver
- Respect others
- Keep hands to themselves
- Keep the aisle clear
- Stay in seat
- Talk quietly – no yelling or screaming
- No eating or drinking on bus

Grad Class – The 2024 Graduating Class will be doing a bottle fundraiser in October. Please start saving your bottles.

We will let you know about what other fundraising activities they will have in the upcoming months. Thank you for supporting our school and students.

Community Co-Ordinator News -

We're off to a busy year and here are a few things that are happening this month.

Our Student Council is selling tickets on a **\$500.00 gift card basket**. Tickets are \$5.00 each or 5 tickets for \$20.00. You can contact Marcy, Erin or any SRC member to get your tickets!

Our annual **Spookarama/Haunted Walk** will be on October 30th. If you would like to volunteer for this fun community event, please contact Marcy at the school - 488-3500.

We are always looking for **volunteers** to help with a variety of things at school, including breakfast program (which is one hour per month), and in many other capacities. Please contact Marcy or Sandra at the school and we'd be happy to give you more information.

C-NCS is seeking **local businesses** to join our **co-op program**, providing students with invaluable hands-on experience. We are looking for businesses to partner with us and host a student for a semester. This helps support the growth of future skilled workers, makes a lasting impact by mentoring the next generation and helps you gain fresh insight and energy from dedicated students. If you're interested in learning more, please contact Mitch Bragg at C-NCS, 488-3500 or Mitchell.Bragg@nbed.nb.ca.

Our little school is growing, so that means our needs for help with extra-curricular activities is growing as well! This year for the first time in many years we have a **High School soccer team!!** With this comes additional start-up costs, like uniforms and referee fees. If you are a business and can contribute to help support our students, please contact Marcy or Mrs. Siepp at the school.

We want to thank the **Sussex and Area Community Foundation** for their support of our wonderful sensory room in our school. Their support along with support from our **C-NCS Home & School** have made this project a reality and we are very grateful! Speaking of the Home & School, they are still having their weekly **50/50 draw**. The jackpots vary week to week depending on if the number drawn has played their toonie. You can get a ticket or play your toonie at Turner's One Stop, Nan's, Youngs Cove Runway, Slocum's (till their closing date), Mill Cove NH or at the school.

Our Culinary class will once again be looking after all our food program needs again this year. They have agreed to take on our **Wednesday free lunch** program which supplies approx. 180 lunches every Wednesday to any student who would like it. In order to keep this going we need your support. If you can make any donation to this program, you can head to our website cns.nbed.nb.ca and follow the **Feed A Husky** link. This will allow you to easily make a contribution to this wonderful program!

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library is dedicated to inspiring a love of reading by gifting books free of charge to children from birth to age five, through funding shared by Dolly Parton and local community partners in Canada. The partner in our community is the Jemseg Lions Club. Since 2014 the Jemseg Lions Club has gifted over 4700 books in our community!!! If you are interested in finding out more about this great program, you can contact Krista Lewis at lewiskrista@icloud.com or you can register at Check Availability - Dolly Parton's Imagination Library

Volunteering – If you are interested in being a volunteer, please contact Sandra at 488-3500 or Sandra.jenkins@nbed.nb.ca and she will send home a package that needs to be completed. Please note that volunteers will need to provide an up-to-date criminal record check and have all paperwork completed. We are always looking for volunteers who are willing to help our students, especially with extra-curricular activities.



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