



ELM STREET SCHOOL NEWS
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SCHOOL CALENDAR**MAY**

- 5 Parent info meeting @ 6:30 for Grade 1's
7 Area Association P.D. Day / CUPE 3260 Convention (No classes)
10&11 Grade 1 Screening (current grade 1's stay home on 10th only)
12-13 Grade 6 Literacy Assessment
14 Provincial Heritage Fair
19 Grade 6 FI SIS Intake Meeting @ 3:30
19-20 Grade 6 & Grade 3 Literacy Assessment
26&27 Grade 3 Literacy Assessment
24 Victoria Day (No classes)
28 Grade 6 visits to SIS

JUNE

- 4 New Grade One Students for 2010-2011 to visit Elm Street. (Present Gr.1 students will stay home)
8 Grade 6 SIS band testing
18 Year End Field Trip
24 Grade Six Closing Ceremony 1:15 p.m.
25 Final Report Card
25 Last Instructional Day for Students (full day)
30 Last School Day for staff

Camp Seggie

www.campseggie.ca

Summer is right around the corner and we are very excited about this year's program. We offer a variety of full week camps for students finishing grades 3-9 and a mini camp for students completing grades 1-3. Come and share some of your summer with us. Check out the website for more information.

Breakfast Program

The Breakfast Program runs every Tuesday and Thursday morning from 8:00 a.m. to 8:50 a.m. It is a volunteer program and we "thank all of you" who give your time to help with this important program. We are once again looking for volunteers and breakfast supplies. We are in need of cheese whiz and jam. Your name or supplies may be dropped off at the Main Office. Thank you once again! Elm Street Breakfast Program Committee.

Used Book Sale

The used book sale for the IWK has been postponed until June. More information will follow.

Canoe Cove Christian Camp**2010 Camp Schedule**

#	Camp Dates	Group (Grade entering in Sept.)
1	July 4 - 7	Grades 2 & 3
2	July 11 - 16	Grades 4 & 5
3	July 18 - 23	Grades 6 & 7
4	Aug. 8 - 13	Grades 8 & 9
5	Aug. 22 - 29	Grades 10, 11, 12

For Further Information call: 675-3039 or check out our website at www.canocovechristiancamp.org for a downloadable registration form

Everyone Welcome.

Easter Seal Ambassador Tour

On Wednesday April 14th Elm Street Elementary was visited by the 2010 Easter Seal Ambassador Colton Matheson. Colton is a grade 6 student at Montague Consolidated. He has Down Syndrome, however, he doesn't let it stop him from doing all the things he loves. His message was "FEEL THE JOY!" We all felt the joy and were very honored to have him visit our school.

On behalf of the Elm Street family Kylee Hill from 1B presented Colton with a cheque for \$500.

Wacky Wednesday

On Wednesday, April 21st staff and students had a great time dressing in pairs. The next Wacky Wednesday will be May 19th. Our theme is "Crazy Hat Day!" Get your creative juices flowing and design a crazy hat.

Library News

April has been a fun month in the library. Md Enman's grade one class worked on the unit Ferme. They had fun making cows and sheep, hearing a story read by a library monitor, searching for Ferme books on the computer and other activities. Many thanks to the library monitors in 6B and 6D who helped out.

Grade 3A have started their non-fiction animal research. Each student has chosen one of the following animals to learn more about: horses, cows, goats, sheep, hens, pigs or spiders. These unit of study compliments their Charlotte's Web novel study from class.

May will see classes 3B, 4B, 4C and 4D also coming to do non-fiction research.

Just a reminder that many students have books due from before the March break. Bills were given to those students. Please check with your child to see if they are one of them. Early reminder that all books will be collected on June 11th before the summer holiday.

Reminder to Parents

It is the time of year again when head lice start to appear. We would ask that all parents be aware of this and let the school know of any concerns that may arise. We will be conducting a routine school check on April 30th.

Bicycle Helmets

With the warm weather upon us we are seeing an increase in the number of students bringing bikes to school. I would like to remind all that helmets are mandatory and students not wearing helmets will not be permitted to have their bicycle on school property.

LockDown

We will be conducting our next school wide lockdown drill on Monday, May 10th in the afternoon. To this point in the year the students have responded extremely well to the drills.

Music

This past week has been an extremely exciting experience for our Elm Street students. The East Prince Music Festival was held and many of our students participated by performing piano solos, piano duets, vocal solos and singing in choirs. Congratulations to all of these students for their fine individual performances. What a wonderful opportunity for you!

On Tuesday, April 20th, our grades 1,2 and 3 performed in the festival with each grade

performing two songs for the adjudicator. They received excellent comments for their performances and all placed first in their classes.

On Wednesday, April 21st, the Elm Street Primary Choir and the Elm Street Elementary Choir performed. The Primary Choir place first in it's class with a mark of 88. The Elementary Choir placed first in it's class with a mark of 89 and the combined Primary and Elementary Choir also place first in another class with a mark of 89. What a wonderful two days of music and an exceptional educational experience as we heard many fine choirs from across East Prince.

The Star of the Festival Concert was held on Tuesday, April 27th at Trinity United Church. Many of our Elm Street students performed and/or received awards. Congratulations! The Elm Street Elementary Choir opened the concert with two selections. What a remarkable performance! The Elementary Choir has been recommended to perform in the Provincial Finals in Charlottetown at the end of May. At the Stars of the Festival Concert Elm Street was presented with many awards.

The Grade 2 French Immersion class received the Star Construction Trophy for the Best Choir Singing in French as a Second Language. The Primary Choir received the Hon. Orville Phillips Award for the Best Choir Grades 1-3. The elementary Choir received the East Prince Music Festival Choirs Award (donated by the Journal Pioneer) and the Summerside Community Choir Award. The highlight of the night was when Elm Street Elementary Choir was presented with the Hon. Robert C. Schurman Award which is given to the most outstanding performance in the East Prince Music Festival. What a wonderful recognition of our students' hard work. Congratulations! We are very proud of you!

3A EXTREME! News

Congratulations to Kolby Waugh and Nathan Richard! Kolby won first place at the PEI Legion Remembrance Day Black and White poster contest and Nathan won second prize for his artwork. Excellent job at the provincial level!

Over the past couple of months, our class has been involved in the SAP - Student Assistance Program - led by Danny Creelman and Rhonda Coyle from Community Mental Health and Addictions. The eight week program allows students to learn about the consequences

associated with substance use, learn about peer pressure, self-esteem, role modeling and developing health strategies for coping with problem solving and making positive choices. The students enjoyed the chance to work in same-sex groups, that is there was an all-girls group and an all-boys group, which was a nice way to learn and to share. We thank these counsellors for conducting these sessions with our students.

Our students have sent fiction stories to the PEI Literacy Council Early Elementary Writing Contest. Our fingers are crossed that someone in our class might be a winner!

Grade 4B & 4D

Mme Lisa and Mme Christine's classes have been busy over the past month. They are working on a poetry unit in French and are learning about 8 different types of poems. They are making their own poetry booklets which contain personal poems of these 8 types of poems. In English, students have been learning about retell text type. Then, in Social Studies, they have been learning about "Their past as seen today". Mme Lisa and Mme Christine have done a combined English and Social Studies project in which students must compile an autobiography of their past ten years, following specific criteria. Students are presenting their autobiographies to the two classes this week! Great work 4D and 4B!

Grade 5/6

Mrs Rioux's Grade 5/6 class is currently participating in the Junior Achievement Program. We will be taking part in this for one week. Junior Achievement is a program focusing on business basics that provides information to elementary students about the organization and operation of a business. The students have been working with UPEI student, Kathryn Hood taking part in discussions and class activities designed to develop their awareness of the operation and responsibilities of business owners. Who knows, we just may have a few entrepreneurs in our class!!

Physical Education:

Intramurals - Badminton: Over the past few weeks we have been working on our badminton skills in class and during our noon-hours. Badminton is a great life long sport-activity. Congratulations to all of the boys and girls on your awesome work and skill development with badminton. You are all stars!!! Congratulations also to all of the boys and girls who represented Elm Street at the zone qualifier, the zone final and at the Provincial level. We are very fortunate to have such great athletic involvement at all levels. Way to go Elm Street Eagles :)

Participants: Jordan Smith, Brianna Gunning, Grace Fisher, Hailey Johnston, Tara Campbell, Lauryn Reeves, Marissa McInnis, Keerstin Trainor, Abigail Perry, Alex MacFadyen, Regan Smith, Jordan Smith, Noah Corkum, Logan Vandervelden, Lucas Beaulieu, Chris Richard, Jayden Reid. Thank you to all players and families for your support and cooperation. **Track and Field:** We are in the process of working on our running, jumping and throwing skills in physical education class. All of the skills we are working on and learning transfer into numerous sports and activities that we work on throughout the year. There will also be tryouts for various Track and Field events over the next few weeks. We are only able to send two athletes per category for the zone meet. Track events: 100M, 200M, 400M, 800M, 1500M and 4 by 100M relay team. Field events: high jump, shot put, and long jump. Zone Meet Friday May 21st (rain date Tuesday May 25th) Provincial Meet June 5th.

Principal's Message

What a great month to be at Elm Street! There have been a lot of wonderful things happening in our school community and it is many thanks to the teachers and students. This month the theme has been "**TOLERANCE**". On April 14th this was prominent through our school when three-quarters of the population wore pink as a message that we will stand up against bullying. Mme. Lacey's class will be receiving an award for the work they did around diversity. In addition to this, grades 2B and 4C will be presenting at our monthly assembly to teach the students what tolerance means to them. I believe there is no better way to learn about this than through the work of the students. I am proud of all the students for the presentations they have done around "*positive character traits*" throughout the year. Bravo!

I also want to thank all the parents who have taken the time to send an e-mail, picked up the phone, or dropped by to talk in person to thank staff for the work they are doing. This becomes a very busy time of year and your support, encouragement, and praise makes us feel that what we do is making a difference. The children are the focus of our day and the team we build between the home and school will only bring them success. Thanks to all of you for helping us make this journey a positive and productive one. Tracy Beaulieu