



ELM STREET SCHOOL NEWS
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A Safe, Friendly and Welcoming School

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SCHOOL CALENDAR**FEBRUARY**

- 1 School Development Day
(no classes)
10 Grade 1 Registration for
2009-2010
Zone Gymnastics Meet
11 Basketball Jamboree
15 Islander Day (No classes)
20 Gymnastic Provincials

MARCH

- 2 Report Cards
5 Parent Teacher Interviews
(No classes)
15-19 March Break
24 HPV Vaccine (Grade 6
girls)

APRIL

- 2 Good Friday
5 Easter Monday
21 Parent Information Night
for new Grade 1 Parents
2009-10 (6:30pm)
23 School Development Day
(No Classes)

MAY

- 7 Area Association P.D.
Day / CUPE 3260
Convention (No classes)
10 Grade 1 Screening
(current grade 1's stay
home)
12-13 Grade 6 Literacy
Assessment
19-20 Grade 6 & Grade 3
Literacy Assessment
26&27 Grade 3 Literacy
Assessment
24 Victoria Day (No classes)
25 Grade 3 French
Immersion visit from
Greenfield.

JUNE

- 4 New Grade One Students
for 2010-2011 to visit Elm
Street.
(Present Gr. 1 students
will stay home)
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

PREVENTIVE DENTAL PROGRAM

We would like to thank the dental health team for working with our students over the last few weeks. We appreciate what they have done to help our children with their oral health education. They will be finishing the clinic in early February.

Breakfast Program

The Breakfast Program runs every Tuesday and Thursday morning from 8:00 a.m. to 8:50 a.m. (O Canada). 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.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION NEWS FROM THE EAGLES NEST!!!

Gymnastics: Students in grade 3-6 have been working on their gymnastics skills during the noon hours throughout the month of January. Some are preparing for the Zone competition. Not all students will be ready to compete and some students would rather not enter the competition.

The students have been working really hard on their gymnastics skills.

Zone Details: Great work boys and girls. We are hosting the

Gymnastics Zone meet here at Elm Street Elementary School on Wednesday, February 10th (storm date - Thursday, February 11th). The pre-novice boys and girls will compete in the morning and the novice/bantam groups will compete in the afternoon. We welcome parents/guardians, friends and family members to come and see some great gymnastics skills. We will have students from the following schools represented: Greenfield Elementary, Elm Street Elementary, Somerset Elementary, Amherst Cove Consolidated, Miscouche Consolidated, Athena Consolidated, Queen Elizabeth Elementary and S.I.S. Any questions, please email me at kamcneill@edu.pe.ca Thank you.

Basketball: We have a group of grade 5 and 6 boys and girls basketball players. They have been working hard getting ready for the annual mini-jamboree at Athena Consolidated. They will play in the basketball round robin on Thursday, February 11th at Athena Consolidated School. A special thank you to Debbie Murphy for hosting and Jason Gallant/Garth Campbell for helping with the teams. Good luck Elm Street Eagles!

ELM STREET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CLOTHING

SALE!!! There are old style clothing still in stock that we would like to get rid of. The cost is \$5.00 for the t-shirts and \$5.00 the shorts. The sizes that are available are: T-shirts youth medium, adult medium, adult

large and adult x-large. Shorts adult medium, adult 1x and adult 2x

The second round of ordering with new school crest will happen at the end of February. This will be the time for students in grade 6 to order their special clothing with 10 on the back. More information will be in the February newsletter.

Bake Sale

What a great smell there was in the halls of the school on January 26th! Students from Mme Lisa's, Miss Sherry's and Mme Krista's classes brought in lots of yummy baked goods for our school's bake sale to help raise money for the Haiti Relief Fund. We raised a whopping \$285!!!! Wow! A huge thank you to all the parents for baking the delicious treats!!!

Remembrance Day Contest

In November, as part of our Remembrance Day celebrations, many students participated in the annual Legion Remembrance Day contests. The theme this year was "How Will You Remember?" There were many amazing entries submitted. The sponsor George R Peakes Branch of the Legion selected 14 Elm Street Students as winners in 6 different categories. The students who finished in first place have had their entries submitted to the Provincial level of the contest. Congratulations to the winners!

Black and White Poster Grades 1,2,3

1. Ethan Lockhart 3A
2. Nathan Richard 3A
3. Ben Rayner 3A

Color Poster Grades 1,2,3

1. Kolby Waugh 3A
2. Mac Waugh 3A
3. Hannah Myers 3A

English Essay Grades 4,5,6

2. Marissa MacInnis 6D
3. Brae Delaney-Smith 5B

English Poetry Grades 4,5,6

2. Taylor Sonier 6C

French Poetry Grades 4,5,6

1. Carissa Thompson 5B

2. Hannah Williams 5B

French Essay Grades 4,5,6

1. Liam Broderick 5B
2. Brett Higdon 5B
3. Anna Marie Drummond 5B

Lock Down

The students are doing a great job with our school's lock down drills. We invited the police in to observe a drill in November and they were very impressed. We will be having another drill on Feb. 16th. Please feel free to ask you child about it. The more we practice and talk about it the more comfortable they will be in knowing what to do.

Haiti Relief Fund

We would like to thank everyone who participated in our fundraising efforts this week in support of the tragedy in Haiti. We are still counting, but we are already near \$2000.00. THANK YOU

Grade 3 Computer Club

Interested boys and girls have been meeting Mrs. Larsen in the computer lab during recesses throughout January to explore with their friends some new websites, math games and other software. The students enjoy the time to explore, read and play on the computers!

3A EXTREME!

Over the past two weeks, our class has been working collaboratively in groups of three to complete various integrated learning stations around our House and Home unit. We are working on math patterning, viewing, listening, library search, social studies, non-fiction text features, writing, health, and visual literacy centres created by Mrs. Howatt and Mrs. Larsen.

Grade 2A News

The students of Grade 2A and I would like to take this opportunity to thank our classroom EA's Sylvia Gallant and Nancy MacFarlane for all their hard work in our classroom. We have really appreciated all the support they have given us during the first half of the school year. Good luck to Mrs. MacFarlane in

her retirement! We are wishing her health and happiness as she begins this new chapter in her life! We will miss having you both in our classroom.

Grade 5/6Y News

Our grade 5/6 class has been working hard on our campaign "Warming Hearts in Haiti." Every student in our class has been involved in some way either by bringing in change and/or helping to roll the large amount of change that we collected. To date, our class penny drive has brought in \$158.90! This money alone is enough to provide emergency kits to two families. In addition to our class total, we received large amounts of pennies from students in other classes as well. We will be tallying the donations from other classes next week. A huge thank you to everyone involved, the generosity has been overwhelming. It is so nice to see such young people already being caring and contributing members of society!

Principal's Message

Wow! We have made it to the end of January with no storm days. What an accomplishment!

A lot of things have happened here at Elm Street over the past month. To highlight one, we are so proud of the level of maturity and compassion the students are showing to the people of Haiti. They are bringing forth many ideas for raising money and we appreciate your contributions from home. Supporting them and making them realize they are making a difference in the world is a lesson we can not teach through a text book. This money will be forwarded on to the Western School Board and collectively we will impact the lives of those less fortunate. We are blessed to have such an amazing school community and we appreciate all you do!!!