

MORELL CONSOLIDATED

SCHOOL newsletter

November 2010

Take time to Remember on November 11



Welcome to Fall!!

The weather has taken a cold turn and the leaves are beginning to fall. Since the weather has gotten considerably colder, we would like to remind parents to dress your child for the weather. Light spring jackets just don't cut it anymore. Hats, mitts, and heavy coats are a must for these colder days. It is also the time to bring out the winter footwear.

Important dates to remember:

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| Oct 28/29 | Parent Teacher Interviews |
| Nov. 2 | Art Fair 6:30 - 7:30 |
| Nov 2 | Coupon order due |
| Nov 10 | Remembrance Day celebration at school at 1:00 |
| Nov 11 | Remembrance Day no school |
| Nov 25 | Parent's Night for math |
| Nov 26 | Professional Development Day for Teachers No school for students |

Remembrance Day

The staff and students have been busy preparing for Remembrance Day. Each year we ask students to reflect on their own meaning of Remembrance Day and present that message in a poster, poem, or essay. As always, our students have put forth a tremendous effort into their Remembrance Day assignments.

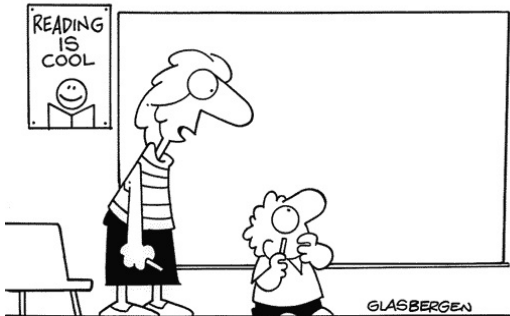
To further our reflection of the importance of Remembrance Day, the staff and students have organized a Remembrance Day service for November 10 at 1:00. We would like to extend an invitation to all families and friends to come and take time to remember all those that gave so much for our freedom.

Book Fair

There will be a Scholastic Book Fair held in the library from **Wed., Oct. 27 until Friday, Oct. 29 at noon**. Students will have a chance to view the books on Wednesday during the school day. On Thursday students will have the opportunity to purchase books during the school day.

The book fair will also be open during Parent teacher interviews from 6:00-9:00 P.M. on Thursday and on Friday from 9:00-11:30 A.M. Students are encouraged to fill out a ballot to try to win \$25 of free books for themselves and their classroom. All books sold will help us to get new books for our library. **Thanks for your support ! Happy Reading ☺**

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"There aren't any icons to click. It's a chalk board."

Art Fair

Our annual Art Fair is Nov. 2nd at 6:30pm. Everyone is welcome at this exciting event! There will be student art displays, artists demonstrations, jewelry making stations, live music on the stage, art raffles and a cafe with hot cider and treats! Come on out and celebrate our talented students and community.

Hot Lunch Program

Just a reminder, there will be rice and corn tomorrow October 28, 2010. Students can pay with a token or with \$2.50. The money raised from this meal goes towards our twin school in Mwati.

Coupon orders are due the first Tuesday of November.

November COUPON ORDER

| How many | coupon | total for this item |
|----------|------------------------|---------------------|
| | meal coupons @ \$2.50 | |
| | chocolate milk @ \$.65 | |
| | white milk @ \$.45 | |
| | TOTAL SUBMITTED | |

Student's name: _____

Grade: _____

Teacher: _____

Cycling PEI

Cycling PEI was here on October 25 to do a presentation on bicycle safety. This event was sponsored by GOPEI. Students learned about the importance of helmets, bicycle maintenance, and competitive options for cycling. Thanks to GOPEI for all the prizes and the valuable information.

Congratulations

We would like to congratulate Beryl MacLane on her recent retirement. We will miss you dearly and wish you tonnes of sunny skies in Florida.

We would like to congratulate Vanessa MacDonald and Amanda MacIntosh who are now teaching 100% at Morell Consolidated, as well as, Jeana Proctor who has had her teaching time increased to 70%.

Community Events

Atlantic Fitness East:

Red Cross Emergency First Aid & CPR is being offered at Atlantic Fitness East in Montague on November 6th. Call 838-3047 to register.

Red Cross Standard First Aid & CPR is being offered at Atlantic Fitness East in Montague on November 6th – 7th. Call 838-3047 to register.

Swimming Lessons – The next session of swimming lessons will be held at Atlantic Fitness East in Montague starting on November 7th and 10th.

Preschool lessons are offered on Sunday afternoons and Wednesdays while school-age lessons will be offered on Wednesday evenings.

This is a 5 week session.

Private lessons available. The next session will be held in January. Call 838-3047 for more details or to register.



PEI CHAPTER OF THE CANADIAN HEMOPHILIA SOCIETY IS HAVING A "FREE SWIM BY DONATION AT THE CARI POOL".

The 'Swim For A Cure - A Bleeding Disorder Event' for families is set for **Sat., November 6, 2010 from 5pm-7pm** at the CARI POOL Aquatics Facility and will raise much needed funds to support Islanders struggling with a bleeding disorder. THIS IS A FREE SWIM BY DONATION FOR FAMILIES. \$10 per family (any size) would be wonderful but any donation is appreciated to assist our Chapter.

Peer Helper Award of the Week

Morell Consolidated School would like to acknowledge the support that students give one another in our school. We will be recognizing one student each week as the Peer Helper of the Week. On Friday, the student who is chosen as the Peer Helper of the Week will have his or her name announced during the morning announcements. This person will receive a certificate and a treat from the canteen.

We appreciate all the support and acts of kindness shown by these students.

The winner of the first Peer Helper of the Week Award goes to.....

Bethany Dunn.

Bethany is a grade 8 student who has been a wonderful support to a classmate for many years . Bethany has been a positive role model and someone who treats others with kindness and respect.

Thank you for being an excellent peer helper!

Sports News

Sports have been extremely busy this month. The students have been practicing hard for Cross country running. We sent 26 students to Southern Kings Consolidated School. Of those, we had the Novice Girl's team and the Bantam Boy's team qualify for Provincials last Saturday. We also had Morgan Rogers and Colby Beaton qualify as individuals in their divisions. The bantam boys team consists of Jarrod MacAdam, Cole MacLaren, Riley Berthiaume, Alex Hardwick, Nathan Sanderson, Chase Laybolt, and Brandon Malone. The Novice Girls team consists of Wrenn Murray, Kate Compton, Lily MacKinnon, Allee Ryan, Sarah Collins, Lauren Hicken, and Lindsay Sanderson.

On the 25th of October, many of the grade 7 and 8 students participated in the annual Feeder School Soccer Tournament, which was hosted by the Morell High School Leadership Class at the Morell Soccer Complex. They played against students from Georgetown, Southern Kings, Vernon River, and Belfast. Both boys and girls teams had a fun and competitive teams to play against.

The Midget soccer teams from the high school have quite a few players from Morell Consolidated playing for them as they head into Provincial Play-offs this week. Last week, the girls defeated Montague 3 - 0 to advance to the Semi Finals against Kensington and the boys' team defeated Vernon River 6 - 1 and are hosting Englewood in their semi - final. If they win they will play for gold medals on Friday, October 29th in Summerside.

This Thursday, October 28th, the grade 4, 5, and 6 classes are going to the Stratford Soccer Complex to attend the Sport PEI Sport Fair. There will be demonstrations of many different activities that students would normally not get a chance to experience.

Andrew MacAdam
Physical Education Teacher

Home and School News

Our fund-raising is underway. I hope everyone is excited about the prizes that have been donated and have been able to sell their tickets. As tickets are sold, please send in your monies with your child in a sealed envelope. With regards to the Home and School dues, please send your \$5.00 in either the envelope that was provided as soon as possible. Home and School dues are required to be paid by November 1, 2010 to head office at the PEI Home and School Federation.

Our account is basically empty at present, without funds we cannot help fund things like the healthy snack program as well as other things to help out the students. The Breakfast for Learning program has granted us \$600.00 for our healthy snack program (fresh fruit and vegetables for the students) we, the Home and School, are required to match this number and the only way we can do this is to fund-raise.

_____ We will be having our next meeting on November 9 at 7:00 p.m. in the library at the school. Please try to attend. This is your opportunity to have input on decisions made with regards to anything the Home & School is doing for our school and your children.

Thank you in advance. I look forward to seeing you at the next meeting.

Yours sincerely,

Marcella Byrne, President

Morell Home and School Association

Step Dancing Lessons

St. Teresa Community Hall, date and time to be announced. If interested call Michelle at 583-2286. Instructor is Kelly Lea.

Parents Night For math

One of our school's Professional Development Plan goals is increasing our student's ability to do mental math. To help with this goal, we would like to invite all parents to a mental math evening.

During this evening, parents will have an opportunity to interact and see first hand teacher prepared lessons on mental math instructions. The evening will begin at 6:30 and parents will have an opportunity to attend two sessions on math strategies at different grade levels.

While parents are in the sessions, students will be supervised in the gym as they watch a movie. We encourage all parents to attend and see what math strategies are being taught in the classroom.

Agenda for the evening

6:30-6:40 (welcome in the gymnasium, everyone)

6:45-7:10 (Classroom sessions k, 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8. Students stay in gym for a movie)

7:15-7:40 (Classroom sessions k, 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8. Students remain in gym for a movie)

7:45-8:00 (Closing in gymnasium, everyone)

Special Thank you

Thank you to Ricky MacPhee from MacPhee's Orchard, for donating the pumpkins for the grade two art project.

Thank you to Morell Co-op for donating a turkey dinner for our annual turkey trot. The winner was Cassie MacCormack.