



New Hazelton Elementary
'A Community of Readers'

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OCTOBER 15, 2014

New Hazelton Elementary School seeks to provide students with positive learning and social experiences which will enable them to participate successfully in our society.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear New Hazelton Community;

October is the month for being grateful! Here at New Hazelton Elementary we are thankful for our students and staff, for working hand in hand with parents, and becoming a true reflection of a community school. We strive to keep our grounds free of litter, and teach children to be respectful of others and their environment.

Given our later start, our "Welcome Assembly" was simple but sincere. Our Grade 7 students introduced the Kindergarten students to the rest of the school. They also talked about their last year in elementary school, and how to approach this last year with us. These are

opportunities for our students to shine, be recognized, and enjoy the feeling of belonging to a large family.

Here at school, our showcase for the month of October continues to be a display of culture done by the students last year. Do come by the school to see it! We also have been approved for the third year in a row to provide a fruit/yogurt snack in the morning thanks to the "Breakfast for Learning". This is offered to all students to get their day started with a healthy choice. Finally, our successful program "After School Sports & Arts Initiative" is about to begin. Do check in with Mrs. Harris if you are interested in your child getting involved.

We encourage parents to participate in school activities; do let your child's teacher know in what capacity you would like to/and or are able to contribute. There is a fun night on the horizon being organized by the PAC parents, do stay tuned. We recognize our parents as partners and supporters: A big "Thank You" to our parents who are advocating for the best education for students, positive attitudes and support for the school which go a long way towards this goal.

Cheers,

C. E. B. Pickering,
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Principal, New Hazelton Elementary

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Special points of interest:

Remember, to view our newsletter on line, all the pictures are in color. If you would like to receive your newsletter via email—just call the front office!

Student bus usage (IMPORTANT)

THIS WEEK ONLY: there is a bus driver shortage and because of this a couple of bus runs have to be condensed. Run #26 will be deleted and it will be Run #29. Students on Run #22 will be split up and put onto others runs—the bus drivers will assist as much as possible, please explain the above info with your child if they use these bus runs. Thank you.

Please be aware that First Canada, our busing contractor, and the School District are enforcing the rules with respect to student usage of buses. Students will only be transported to and from their primary residence or secondary residence if circumstances apply, with bus passes listing their proper routes on them. School buses will no longer be used for personal transportation requests such as, but not limited to: 1) appointments, 2) birthday parties, 3) going to friend's houses, etc. Parents and guardians will have to make their own

CONCERT FEES ARE DUE....PLEASE READ PAGE SEVEN

GRADE 2/3 (Mrs. K. Barr)

The grade 3-4 class will be having their first math test of the new year. A package of information and practice pages were sent home last week to help the students prepare. The test will be on numbers to 10,000, place value and comparing numbers.

To get ready for a science project, students have been asked to bring in shoe box-sized boxes. They will be used to make habitat dioramas. So far, we have learned about forests and ponds. Ask your child about the walk we took to the beaver pond last week.

In Art classes we have been learning about the stylized Japanese drawings called Manga. Ask your child to show you how to create the special eyes and facial expressions unique to this type of art.

Mrs. Barr

GRADE SIX/SEVEN (Ms. Plewak)

A huge thank you to everyone who sent in donations for the soup last week. A special thanks to Toni Denny for the fried bread! We are making moose soup this week with the rest of the potatoes from the garden. We need donations of carrots and celery and moose meat (fresh or frozen). Items need to be in by Thursday morning.

Students need to stay on top of

their math homework and complete assignments on time. Any assignment marked "I" must be completed or it will turn into an "F". Daily assignments are worth 80% of the grade and tests 20%, so daily work is very important.

In Science we have started a unit on ecosystems and resource use, impacts of resource use and renewable energy alternatives. Students will be presenting their learning lat-

er this term with a poster.

In Language Arts the students are writing summaries using the main idea and supporting details as well as writing complete sentences and paragraphs.

Please call if you have any questions or concerns.

Ms. Plewak

GRADE TWO/THREE (Mrs. O'Hara)

I hope everyone enjoyed the Thanksgiving Weekend!

I send spelling words home every Monday (Tuesday this week) so make sure to look for them in the front pocket of your child's agenda.

In Science we have been studying the similarities and differences of animals. The students know a lot about the topic but it would be worthwhile to review at home the differences between reptiles and amphibians.

Reminders:

The Scholastic Book Order is due this Friday the 17th.

Some headphones for the computer and listening center are still needed.

Mrs. J. O'Hara

GRADE SIX/SEVEN (MR. G. BARR)

Hello everyone. Students are getting back into their regular routines and their ability to follow rules and general classroom procedures is improving. We are working on personal timelines in our HC classes and I would like to thank the parents who took the time to discuss personal events with their kids so that they could finish the assignment. It was a good opportunity to get involved with something they were doing in class. We finished our unit on fire and earthquake safety and will be moving to an art assignment next. In Math we are finishing subtraction and beginning multiplication. Please take time to review the chart with your child to work on numbers they are finding problematic.

"Island of the Blue Dolphins" is the book we are continuing to read to learn about different literary elements that we can apply to the next novel we read. Students will be expected to apply these skills to the book independently and incorporate them into a book report. We have finished our introductory unit to Canada and will be moving to a new Science unit next week. In French we continue to expand our vocabulary by learning days, months and seasons. Now we have begun colors. Students should study their vocabulary words a few times each week. In Gym we are still learning new basketball skills. If you haven't already dropped by to see me, please do someday soon since a strong relationship between the school and home will always be more encouraging for the child. Cheers, G Barr 6/7



Gr. 6/7 (Ms. Plewak) 'garden harvesting'



IMPORTANT

Dear Parents and Guardians:

1. The speed limit is maximum 10 mph in the back parking lot when used.
2. Please remember that the transportation of medications are not permitted through the school with your children.
3. The only drinks students are allowed to have in the school during their day are 'fruit juices' and 'water'. All other

drinks like 'powerades', 'slushies' etc. will be confiscated and disposed of.

4. please remember that IF you come to the school to pick up your child for an impromptu appointment, to inform either Mrs. Olson, Mrs. Pickering OR Mrs. Woloshyn or the classroom teacher.

Students are frequently reminded of this.

Thank you Parents for assisting us to keep your children safe and healthy.

NHE PANTHERS School Spirit Flyer

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Spirit and Leadership

To encourage and support school spirit, the staff and students were divided into four teams and given the opportunity to create a team name and cheer.

The team names are:

Red Mist

Gryffindor

Golden Eagles

Green Hornets



Leadership Opportunity: School Safety Patrol Program and Peer-Helpers Program

New Hazelton Elementary School participates in the BCAA Road Safety Foundation's School Safety Patrol Program. Students will be invited to join the crossing patrol and the peer-helper program as an opportunity to demonstrate

their leadership skills at the school. The BCAA sent crossing patrol equipment (vests, pylons, stop signs and training information) which students will wear and use when performing their duties. Students in grades five, six and seven

are encouraged to talk with Ms. Campbell to voice their interest in participating in these programs. **Leadership training will take place during the month of October.**

Thanksgiving Challenge

The Food Drive was a success. Many families were able to benefit from the goods collected.

In First Place -

Gryffindor—

32 + 100 bonus = 132 points

In Second Place -

Green Hornets -

27 + 75 bonus = 102 points

In Third Place -

Golden Eagles-

24 + 50 bonus = 74 points

In Fourth Place -

Red Mist -

17 + 25 bonus = 42 points

Costume Challenge

Friday, October 31st at 9:00 all students who show up wearing a costume will get points for their team. The student in each class with the most creative and original costume will earn 10 more points for their team.



Team Points

Red Mist	42
Gryffindor	132
Golden Eagles	74
Green Hornets	102

Upcoming Theme Day:

Hallowe'en Dress-Up

WHEN: Friday, October 31st

TIME: 9:00 am

POINTS:

Each team will earn one point for each member that dresses up. The most creative and original costume per class will earn an additional 10 points for their team.



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SPIRIT & LEADERSHIP



New Hazelton



For Your Info

****Head Lice,** Parents & Guardians have the responsibility to take an active role in the prevention of head lice outbreaks by: a) frequently checking your child's head for lice or nits. 2) talking to your child about not sharing hats, brushes, helmets, hair accessories and other personal items. 3) tying back long hair. It is important that we work together to control head lice. If you child has lice, please ensure the proper steps are taken to get rid of them. Should you require support for medications, the public health unit may be able to provide treatments and information on prevention.**

⇒ **Late phone calls** at end of the day please **REMEMBER** to put them through to extension 3028 (Mrs. Pickering) please note that your message may not get delivered if you do not call before 2 p.m.

⇒ **FRIENDLY REMINDER:**

As parents, you can appreciate how hectic it gets when organizing your own child to go places. Here we have 189 children to organize, and sometimes the end of the day can be a little busy. We would like to remind all parents about our end of the day routines:

- 1) If picking up your child, please wait in the east entrance (by the medical room) for them. Walkers and those getting picked up come down the hall and leave by the side entrance.
- 2) If your child has a change to their routine (not taking bus, or taking the bus), please send a note with your child that morning or call the school before 2 p.m.

Your presence at the school and your understanding with regards to our routines is appreciated. Thank you.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- ◇ Oct 24, Fri. Non Instructional Day (NO SCHOOL)
- ◇ THEME DAY—Fri. Oct. 31st—wear a costume for Hallowe'en
- ◇ Halloween Dance—PAC sponsor (stay tuned for the time from PAC)
- ◇ Remembrance ceremony in the school Gym Mon. Nov. 10 @ 10:45
- ◇ Tues. Nov 11—NO SCHOOL Remembrance Day
- ◇ PAC mtg. Wednesday 12, November
- ◇ Nov. 21. Fri—NO SCHOOL Non instructional Day
- ◇ Nov. 26 + 27 –Early Dismissal Days



Breakfast for Learning

Our school's nutrition program is proudly funded by Breakfast for Learning. Thanks to their support, we are able to offer our students a healthy meal or snack during the school day.

Breakfast for Learning is a national charity that is committed to ensuring students attend school well nourished and ready to learn, giving them the best chance of success in life.

In the 2013/14 school year, Breakfast for Learning funded 2,402 breakfast, lunch and snack programs, served 251,531 children and youth and provided over 40 million nourishing meals and snacks.

Since 1992, Breakfast for Learning has helped serve over 510 million meals to children and youth across Canada.

For more information, please visit breakfastforlearning.ca.



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September 22, 2014

Dear Parents and Guardians:

Subject: 2014-2015 School Concert Series Fee

Please be informed that the 2014-2015 School Concert Fee is \$10.00 per student and is payable to your child's school in September 2014. Your contribution will allow your child to see up to three live performances each year. This year, we have booked two concerts per school with the option of more depending on monies collected.

2014-2015 Artists

- *Ruploops* - an extremely talented and versatile performer and composer will take your child on a musical exploration journey. They will experience folk and classical music from India, hip-hop, reggae, Tuvina throat singing, West African percussion and the list goes on!
- *LUV2Groove Dance* - Julia Gutsik is a high energy performer that strongly believes in unifying the body and mind of all her students by celebrating the fact that everyBODY can dance! Julia offers a day long workshop that blends her passion for education and dance.
- *Green Thumb Theatre's "Showdown"* - deals with the challenges and rewards of competition and cooperation in a touching story that will teach our elementary students about acceptance and friendship.
- *Green Thumb Theatre's "Tagged"* - is about the responsibility that we have for the words that we type. Tagged dissects the dangerous potential for harm that exist in social media. This show will help our teens to better understand the consequences of their cyber actions.

Should you have further questions or concerns, please contact your School Principal for assistance.

Yours truly,

Katherine McIntosh
Superintendent of Schools



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Dear Parents/Guardians,

New Hazelton Grade 6/7 volleyball team has begun practicing. We practice every Tuesday and Thursday at noon hour. Over the course of this next month we will be having exhibition games with teams from the surrounding area.

The first game will be against the Hazelton Secondary School grade 8 girls at the Hazelton Secondary School gymnasium at 4pm on October 15th, 2014. Your child will be expected to coordinate their transportation arrangements for this day.

Please advise me as to whether or not your child will be available to participate by filling out the waiver form below.

We look forward to your participation and support of our young athletes. For further information please feel free to contact Pansy Wright-Simms @ 250 842 5062 (h) or 250 842 2319 (w)

Thank you for your time,

Pansy Wright-Simms
Volunteer coach

My child _____ is granted permission to participate in the game at Hazelton Secondary School on October 15th, 2014 against the Grade 8 girls vball team.

I, _____ am the Parent/Guardian of this child; and do not/will not hold the volunteer coaches/organizers/New Hazelton Elementary Staff for any harm/injury that may occur as a result of their participation in the planned event. I also understand that it is my responsibility to arrange for the transportation to and from the games. Thank you.

I can be reached at the following phone number _____ For the purpose of the coach providing me with the location and time of the playday games.

Please ensure that your child comes prepared with proper gym strip (shorts, t-shirt, indoor shoes) water bottle, and team spirit.

The After School Sports&Arts Adventures is being hosted at NHE again this 2014-2015 School Year.

We have planned a lot of 'adventures' & we encourage everyone - get Your 'Permission Slip' in as early as possible - some programs are limited in number this year!

This year, 3 Programs will be offered: 2 Sports & 1 Arts. Tuesday is Kindergarten to Grade 4 & Thursday is Grades 4 -7. Yes!!! Grade 4's get to come 2 nights - neat eh?
Every 2nd Wednesday, a program for a limited number of children (Grades 5-7) will be offered – more details will follow, so stay tuned...

Although we plan transportation for after the program (New Hazelton to South Town, Hagwilget, Gitanmaax, Glen Vowell & Kispiox), there may be times when the bus is not available and parents will be asked to assist - we have had the program run smoothly in the past with the parent's assistance – many thanks for the support!

Planned Dates:

Tuesday, Oct 21 to Thursday Dec 11, 2014: Session I – Sports
Jan 13 to Mar 12, 2015: Session II – Sports **Apr 7 to Jun 11, 2015:** Session III - Arts

We have had 'Amazing Times' with this program in developing Fundamental Movement Skills, Social Skills, Hand-Eye Coordination, Games for Memory Development & Improvement, & More... We also offer a Nutritious Snack during the program to energize & keep them going.

I contact each parent upon receiving the 'Permission Slip' to arrange bussing &/or discuss any other issues that may need to be addressed. Details follow with each session.

Let the FUN & ADVENTURES begin!

Any questions &/or concerns **contact: Mrs. M. Harris**

250 842 0588 Home – 250 842 3172 Cell – 250 842 5777 Ext 3005 Work

See NHE website/Newsletters or JOIN us on Facebook @ NHE Sports&Arts Adventures

Please put this on the fridge for future reference

~NHE Sports&Arts Adventures~

Student Name(s): _____ Grade(s) _____

Home Phone & Cell Contact #s: _____

Parent's Name: _____ Signature: _____

Dates attending: (Please Circle): Tues only / Wed only / Thurs only / Tues & Thurs / Tues, Wed & Thurs / Wed & Thurs

Medical or Food Concerns: _____

Date: _____ Parents Email: _____



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October 1, 2014

Welcome to a new year of reading. Many adventures and journeys can be taken within the pages of a book. Each child at New Hazelton Elementary is encouraged to read daily. Families are encouraged to make reading part of their family routine. Children and adults of all ages love to be read to. Allow your family to go to exotic places and learn about a variety of interesting facts.

Using our library, like that of the public library, requires all who handle books to be socially responsible with the books. The books should be handled with care, meaning kept away from food and dirty hands; they should be stored out of harm's way and returned in a timely fashion so others can use them.

If you would like your child to bring home books they sign out of the library, please sign the sheet below and return it to the school. Your signature and the returned slip implies your willingness to help your child to be responsible for their books, and for the replacement of damaged or lost books, should that happen (a bill will be sent home).

Children will not be able to take home books unless this form is returned signed by their parent/guardian. If and when the time comes and your child has an overdue book, they will not be able to sign out another until that book is returned or paid for.

Let's all do our part modeling socially responsible book handling and borrowing skills.

Happy Reading!

Library Take-Home Program

Student's Name(s): _____

Grade(s): _____

Teacher's Name(s): _____

Home Phone: _____

Any costs to replace lost or damaged books will be covered by:

Name: _____

Date: _____