

Rexton Elementary School

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Anglophone School
District North
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RES' September 2014
Newsletter Student Ballot
Question:
(Please clip & return to
the school by Sept. 12th)
When is RES' 2014
Open House?

(Student's Name)

Class: _____



RES' School Improvement Goals:

- 1. Increase student literacy and numeracy achievement.
- 2. Improve upon RES' Inclusive Learning Environment.

We're on the Web @ <http://rextonelementary.nbed.nb.ca>

WHAT? RES' "Open" House & Ice-Cream Social
WHO? RES' Parents/Guardians & Students
WHEN? Thurs. Sept. 18th from 6:00-7:30 pm
WHERE? Rexton Elementary School
WHY?

- a) To meet & greet your child's teachers and Educational Assistants
- b) To meet & greet Anglophone North's Health Nurse, Darlene MacDonald
- c) To be introduced to our new staff
- d) To receive information pamphlets about grade level curriculum expectations, class/school routines and procedures, and health & nutritional information
- e) To purchase your 2014-2015 Home & School membership, and
- f) To enjoy a yummy, frozen treat with RES staff!!

Our Open House is **NOT** a parent/teacher meeting; after a few important announcements in the cafeteria you will be able to meet & greet with your child's teacher in his/her classroom. The class with the greatest number of parents attending this year's OPEN HOUSE will win an extra recess on our new playground equipment and two lucky families will also win a \$25 Chapters' gift certificate ~ we hope you will make plans to join us on Thursday, September 18th @ 6 p.m. !!

RES' Homework Policy

1. Parents are encouraged to check their child's book bag nightly for messages in his/her Student Agenda and homework assignments.
2. It is expected that all Rexton Elementary students will READ to their parents or guardians every night, whether it is a book, magazine, newspaper, website, comic book ~ something you and your child will enjoy!!

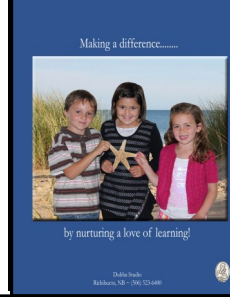
K-2 Students: will have nightly homework that will require practice with their parent/guardian (letter/word lists, Math flashcards, printing or writing, etc.)

Grades 3-5 Students: will have nightly homework (Math Facts, Reading for 10-15 minutes, writing, etc.)

- * Rexton Elementary children may also be required to do **additional homework** in preparation for district or provincial **assessments**.
- * Rexton Elementary students involved in a Literacy/Numeracy Intervention will also have **additional homework assignments**.



Please join us for RES' 2014 OPEN-HOUSE!



Principal: Diane Wilson
 Rexton Elementary School
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 Vice-Principal: Virginia Richard

RES' SEPTEMBER 2014 STARFISH NEWSLETTER

School Mission: To encourage the development of each student's full potential by nurturing a love of learning and fostering respect for the uniqueness of each individual through a safe and friendly school community.

Welcome to Rexton Elementary ... where we make a difference by nurturing a love of learning!
Rexton Elementary is especially happy to welcome our youngest learners to our fine, fine school ~ our 41 Kindergarten students.

In addition to our new Kindergartners, RES also wants to welcome our new grades 1-5 students (and their families) who moved into the Rexton-area during the summer months.

RES is also very happy to welcome the following new staff members to our learning community:

- i) Jennifer Comeau: Grade 4 English Prime Teacher
- ii) Rosalind Donovan: Grade 2-1 Teacher



We are also thrilled to welcome back to our fine, fine school the following teachers:

- i) Candice Gallivan: Grade 3 Teacher
- ii) Brenda McFadden: Grade 1 Teacher
- iii) Marly Sutherland: Art/Music Teacher

A very special welcome back is extended to RES' Vice-Principal, Mrs. Virginia Richard!, who was on a Deferred Leave from January-June 2014!!

Read to me!

Read to me riddles and read to me rhymes.
 Read to me stories of magical times.
 Read to me tales about castles and kings.
 Read to me stories of fabulous things.
 Read to me pirates and read to me knights.
 Read to me dragons and dragon book fights.
 Read to me spaceships and cowboys and then
 When you are finished, please read them again!
 ~Jane Yolen

RES' Code of Conduct

I will respect myself

- I am responsible for my own behaviour to the best of my abilities.
- I will be responsible for my own personal choices.
- I will attend my classes, do my homework, and be prepared and on time.
- I will resolve my disagreement in a positive and helpful manner.

I will respect others

- I will respect others' differences, ideas, and opinions and treat everyone fairly.
- I will not tolerate bullying of any kind and I will report bullying when I have knowledge of it.
- I will do whatever I can to help those around me who may be struggling.
- I will be responsible, polite, and friendly to others.

I will respect my environment

- I will respect the school's rules.
- I will treat school property and the property of others with respect.





IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT:

There will be no school for students on **Thurs, Oct. 9th & Fri., Oct. 10th** because these will be Profession Learning Days for all teaching staff in the province.



RES' Student Agenda Available



RES' 2014-2015 Student Agenda is available for all K-5 students for only \$4.00.

Please send you child's \$4 fee to your classroom teacher as soon as possible.



Mrs. Jenny Walker, Principal of Kellyville School in Australia, will be visiting RES & other N.B. schools from Sept. 22-Oct. 2 ~ welcome Mrs. Walker!!

RES' Positive Learning Environment

Crucial Allergic Alerts:

- It is critical that RES be a **peanut/nut, egg and shellfish-safe school**. We encourage all parents to please check food labels carefully when shopping for groceries and when packing lunches.



School Parking/Drop-off & Handicapped Zone Reminders:

- RES' **handicap parking spot** in front of the school is for **disabled drivers only**.
- RES has two drop-off spots **in front of the school and they are only to be used as "Kiss & Drive Away" spots —not as parking spots**. Parking in front of our school backs-up other vehicles attempting to enter our parking area (buses, other parents, and staff). If you require more time with your child in the mornings when you arrive at our school please park your vehicle in our parking lot.



Instructional Day:

- Supervision for RES' K-5 students begins every school day at **8:00 a.m.**
- Dismissal for K-2 students is at **1:55**. Dismissal for RES' Grades 3-5 students is at **3:10**.
- All the end of each school day, parents of K-2 students must greet/signal to their child's bus driver when the bus arrives at their homes, otherwise the driver is required to return the child to the school and the parent will need to drive to the school to pick-up the child.
- Parents who arrive at our school to **pick-up their child before dismissal need to wait until the students are dismissed unless they have sent a note** to the child's teacher indicating the reason for the early dismissal (for an example, your child has a medical appointment). This procedure is necessary so as to **not interrupt our learning environment**, teacher's lesson, classroom procedures at the end of the school day, and our very busy office.
- Parents who do pick-up their child during or at the end of the day are required to come into our school and sign-out their child** (we are unable to let our children go out into our very busy parking lot area without a supervising staff member or parent/guardian).
- RES' first priority is the safety of our students and the security of our building.** Please note that all doors to our building are locked during the instructional day. In order to enter our building during the instructional day, visitors need to press the button on the outside of our front doors.
- In order to ensure the safety and security of our students all visitors (including parents & district staff) are required to obtain permission & a visitor's pass prior to going beyond our school lobby area ~ thank-you.



How to Help Your Child Have the Best Learning Day:

Please continue to ensure that your child:

- Arrives on time and remains at school for the **entire instructional school day**.
- Brings a healthy recess snack and lunch everyday: **Junk food items are not permitted**. Please note that RES does not offer a free-lunch program.
- Completes and returns his/her assigned homework materials daily.
- Remains at home if he/she is not feeling well; parents are asked to please notify the school as soon as possible when their child is ill.
- Brings a note for his/her teacher if he/she will be picked up by a parent or guardian before dismissal OR at the end of the day. Please be advised that numerous unexpected parents arriving at the end of the day can lead to delays at dismissal time, which in turn can cause our buses to leave our school later than usual; these delays naturally result in scores of phone calls from concerned parents who are worried about the whereabouts of their children. **We encourage all bus students to use of our big, yellow taxis (buses)!**



Administration: Our secretary is Connie Agnew and her work day begins at 8 a.m. and ends at 4 p.m. Her lunch break is between 12:00-1:00. Also, parents wishing to meet with a school administrator during our instructional day are asked to please call the school (at 523-7152) to schedule an appointment. If you call to speak to an administrator and they are in class or in a meeting, every effort will be made to return your call as soon as possible. We thank you for your continuing support & understanding! ☺

RES' 2014-2015 Staff

Principal: Diane Wilson
 Vice-Principal: Virginia Richard
 Administrative Assistant: Connie Agnew
 Guidance: Angela Savory
 Resource: Marie Walsh

Kindergarten: Danelle Rioux & Cynthia Wood
 Grade 1: Susan Campbell & Brenda McFadden
 Grade 2-1: Rosalind Donovan
 Grade 2: Stephanie Flanagan & Haley Murphy
 Grade 3 French Immersion: Julia Mazerolle
 Grade 3: Candice Gallivan
 Grade 4-3 French Immersion: Breanna Flanagan
 Grade 4: Jennifer Comeau
 Grade 5 French Immersion: Ashley Hitchman
 Grade 5 French Immersion: Kevin Rioux
 Grade 5 Intensive French: Devon Stoddart
 Gym Specialist: Kim Bowes
 Art/Music Specialist: Marly Sutherland & Janice Hall-Short
 K-2 Literacy Lead: Nancy Scully
 K-2 FN Literacy Lead: Karen Thibeault
 K-2 Numeracy Lead: Lisa Collins
 Speech/Language Pathologist: Jillian Walker

Educational Assistants: Rose-Jean Cormier, Toby Campbell, Penny Robichaud, Diane Guimond, and Carla Hudson
 Interventionist: Donna Hebert
 Librarian: Janice LeBlanc
 Elsipogtog Liaison: Mona Francis
 Bouctouche/Indian Island Liaison: TBA
 Custodial Staff: Gerald Richard, Donny Hudson, Fern Mazerolle

Cafeteria Staff: Diane Robinson & Pam Beers'
 Breakfast Coordinator: Leigh-Ann Egan-Mitton



RES' September 2014 Events Calendar

Date	Event
Wednesday, September 10th	RES' 2014 Terry Fox Run/Walk
Thursday, September 11th	School Photos for Grades K, 2, 4 Students
Friday, September 12th	School Photos for Grades 1, 3, 5 Students
Wednesday, September 17th	RES' 2014 Bus Evacuation Drills
Thursday, September 18th	RES' 2013 OPEN HOUSE & Ice-Cream Social
Thursday, September 18th	RES' 2013 PSSC Election @ 7 p.m.
Friday, September 19th	RES' 2013 Lockdown Drill
Monday, September 22nd	Australia Principal, Jenny Walker, visits RES!
Monday, September 22nd	RES' 2014 Student Council Election

Medic-Alert Bracelets



Once again this year, RES is pleased to provide the **Medic Alert Foundation's NO CHILD WITHOUT** program. There is no cost for these identity bracelets for students who attend our school and who are between the ages 4-14.

If your child has a medical condition, allergy, or is required to take medication on a regular basis, please consider this program. To register, you will need a **No Child Without** brochure from our office.



TERRY FOX RUN

Rexton Elementary students & staff will be participating in our annual Terry Fox Walk at noontime on **Wednesday, September 10th**. We invite everyone to contribute \$1 (or more) for this very worthwhile cause!