

Rexton Elementary School

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Beginning in October 2017 RES's monthly newsletters will only be available on our school website; this environmentally sound decision was initiated & approved by RES's 2016-2017 PSSC.



Should you want a printed copy of a newsletter, please just call the school and we will do our very best to print you a copy in a timely fashion.

RES's new Grade 2B



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

WHAT? RES's 2017 Open House & Ice Cream Social, PSSC & Home and School Elections

WHO? RES's Parents/Guardians & Students

WHEN? Thursday, Sept. 21st from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

WHERE? Rexton Elementary School

WHY?

- a) To meet & greet your child's teachers and Support Staff,
- b) Nominate/vote for new PSSC members & H/S Executives
- c) To receive information pamphlets about grade level curriculum expectations, class/school routines and procedures,,
- d) To purchase your 2017-2018 Home & School membership, and
- e) To enjoy a yummy, frozen treat with RES students & staff!!

Our Open House is NOT a parent/teacher meeting; after a few important announcements in the cafeteria you will be invited to meet & greet with your child's teacher in his/her classroom. The class with the greatest percentage of parents attending this year's OPEN HOUSE will win an extra recess on our playground equipment and parents will also have a chance to win our door prize. (\$40 gift card).

We hope you will join us for our **Open House on Thurs., Sept. 21st @ 6:30 p.m.!**

Important Dates:

- Wednesday, September 20th: Photo Day for K, grade 2, and grade 4 students
- Thursday, September 21st: Photo Day for grade 1, grade 3, and grade 5 students
- Friday, September 22nd: 2nd Fire Drill
- Monday, September 25th: Lockdown Drill
- Tuesday, September 26th: Student Council Election
- Thursday-Friday, Sept. 28-29th Third Fire Drill w/Rexton Fire Department
Early Dismissal (11:30-11:45 a.m.)
- Thursday, September 28th: Terry Fox Run/Walk
- Friday, September 29th: Orange Shirt Day @ RES



Please join us for RES's 2017 Open House, Ice-Cream Social and PSSC & H/S Elections!

Rexton Elementary School's Student Enrolment

Since the beginning of the 2017-2018 school year enrolment in each of RES's K-2 classes has been at their maximum. Last week, new enrolments at RES prompted the Superintendent of ASD-N, Mr. Mark Donovan, to provide our school with another class/teacher. The addition of this new class resulted in new configurations for each of our K-2 English classes, much smaller student/teacher ratios for each of our K-2 English classes, and the elimination of our K-1 and Grade 2-1 combined classes. Pictured to your left is a photo of our new Grade 2 class and their teacher, Ms. Tracy Lynds.

Principal: Diane Wilson



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Vice-Principal: Virginia Richard



RES'S SEPTEMBER 2017

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 for each of our little starfish by nurturing a love of learning!

Rexton Elementary is especially happy to welcome our youngest learners to our fine, fine school ~ our 34 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 greater Rexton-area during the summer months.

RES is very pleased to welcome and introduce the following new teaching staff members to our school this year:

- a) Mrs. Charlene Robinson (Kindergarten teacher),
- b) Ms. Tracy Lynds (Grade 2 teacher),
- c) Ms. Catherine Theriault (Grade 3 FI teacher),
- d) Mrs. Jennifer McEachern (Grade 4 English Teacher), and
- e) Mrs. Vickilyn Carter (Guidance Councilor)

RES is also very pleased to welcome three new Educational Assistants to our learning environment this year:

- a) Cynthia Gilchrist, b) Lacey Underhill, and c) Teri-lyn Coughlin

As our smart starfish dive into another year of learning please know that we **NEED** and **WANT** your help in making your child's school year successful. If you have any concerns about your child's day please bring your concerns to our immediate attention by calling your child's teacher @ 523-7152. We act on your behalf when your child is with us so we need you to communicate with us via notes, phone calls, or by scheduling a meeting with your child's teacher when you have a concern.

Here's to a won-der-ful year of learning! ~ Mrs. Diane Wilson, Principal.

Rexton Elementary School's Code of Conduct

I will respect myself

- I will be 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, arrive at school on time and prepared.
- I will resolve my disagreements 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.





RES's Positive Learning Environment

ASDN's EARLY DISMISSAL on Wed., Sept. 27

Teachers will be attending a Professional Learning meeting in the afternoon on Wednesday, Sept. 27 AND therefore all students in our district will be dismissed early on this date.

Busses will arrive to pick-up our students between 11:30-11:45 a.m. on

Wednesday, Sept. 27th.

Other Early Dismissal Dates this School Year:

Wed., October 25th

Wed., February 28th

Wed., April 25th

Wed., May 30th



RES's 2017-2018 Student Handbook is available to purchase for all Grades 1-5 students for the cost of only \$6.00 Please send your child's Handbook fee to your child's classroom teacher as soon as possible.

Pre-School Registration

Go to the Kent Family Resource Center website: www.kentcrfk.ca and click on the Rexton region and follow the instructions (or call 524-9192).

Crucial Allergic Alerts:

It is critical that RES be a **peanut/nut and shellfish-safe school**. All parents are asked to please continue to be vigilant about checking food labels when packing their child's lunches. FYI: Due to allergies and anxiety **DOGS are not permitted** on the school grounds during the school day.



School Parking. Drop-off Zone & Handicapped Zone Reminders:

1. RES's **handicap parking spot** in front of the school is reserved for **disabled drivers only** from 8:00 a.m. — 3:45 p.m. Monday—Friday.



2. 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 causes other vehicles attempting to enter our parking area to have to stop (buses, other parents, and staff). If you require more time with your child 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**.
- At 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 bus drivers are required to return the child to the school and the parent will need to drive to the school to pick-up their 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 up to our front door monitoring system and notify the office of their arrival (we will not permit our children go out into our very busy parking lot area without a supervising staff member or parent/guardian).
- RES's 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 must press the button on the monitoring system that is located outside of our front doors and provide an office staff member with their name and the purpose of their visit. FYI: we thank you for being patient when you ring the intercom bell because the secretary could be on the phone or using the photocopier in another room.
- 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.



To Help Your Child Have the Best Learning Day Please Ensure He/She:

- Arrives on time and remains at school for the **entire instructional school day**.
- Brings a healthy recess snack **and** lunch to school everyday (please do not get into the habit of dropping your child's lunch off during our very busy day, have the child come to school prepared for his/her day). **Junk food items are not permitted**. 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 please notify the school as soon as possible when your child is unable to come to school because he/she 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 child/ren. **We urge parents of bus students to avoid driving their child to and from school ~ have them ride the bus!**

Administration: Our secretary's work day begins at 8 a.m. and ends at 4 p.m. Her lunch break is between 12:00-1:00.

Rexton Elementary's 2017-2018 Staff

Custodial Staff: Gerald Richard, Donny Hudson, and Fern Mazerolle

Cafeteria Staff: Diane Robinson and Lisa Robertson

Breakfast Coordinator: Cheryl Warman

Kindergarten (KA): Charlene Robertson

Kindergarten (KB): Cynthia Wood

Grade 1 French Immersion (1A): Ashley Hitchman

Grade 1 French Immersion (1B): Julia Mazerolle

Grade 1 English (1C): Brenda McFadden

Grade 2 (2A) Stephanie Flanagan

Grade 2 (2B): Tracy Lynds

Grade 3 English (3A): Susan Campbell

Grade 3 French Immersion (3B): Catherine Theriault

Grade 4 English (4A): Jennifer McEachern

Grade 4 French Immersion (4B): Kevin Rioux

Grade 5-4 French Immersion (5/4C): Breanna Flanagan

Grade 5 Intensive French (5A): Kim Beers

Grade 5 French Immersion (5B): Kelly Ann Leonard

Gym Specialist: Kim Bowes

Music Specialist: Janice Hall-Short

Guidance: Vickilyn Carter

Resource: Marie Walsh

FN K-2 Literacy Lead: Nancy Scully & Tatum Sanipass

FN Grades 3-5 Literacy Lead: Karen Thibeault

FN K-2 Numeracy Lead: Haley Murphy

FN Grades 3-5 Numeracy Lead: Ginny Richard

Speech/Language Pathologist: Jillian Walker

Educational Assistants: Toby Campbell, Kate Cornish, Lacey Underhill, Cynthia Gilchrist, Teri-Lynn Coughlin

Diane Guimond, Donna Hebert, Yvonne Fagan, Darrick Hebert, and Kristi Triska

French Second Language Assistant: Ginette Simard

Itinerate Educational Assistant: Megan Ross

Librarian: Janice LeBlanc

Administrative Assistant: Connie Agnew

Vice-Principal: Virginia Richard and Principal: Diane Wilson



37th Annual Terry Fox Run

Rexton Elementary students & staff will be participating in our annual Terry Fox Walk around our schoolyard on

Thursday, September 28th.

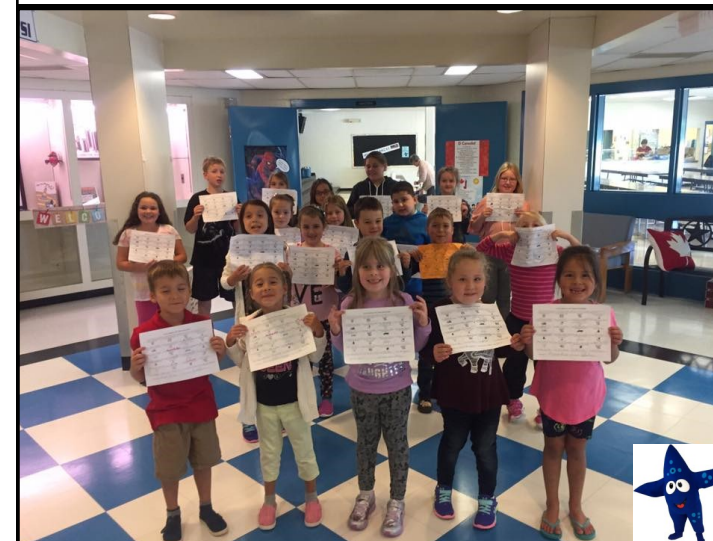
All students and staff are encouraged to contribute \$1 (or more) for this very worthwhile cause!



RES's Orange Shirt Day will be Friday, September 29th



RES's 2017 Summer Reading BINGO Winners



RES's 2017 Summer Reading BINGO winners were all treated to an ice-cream sundae party in the cafeteria on Tuesday, September 12th.

Special thanks to the parents of these students and Mrs. Richard and Mrs. Scully for assisting with the party!

"On this day of September 30th, we call upon humanity to listen with open ears to the stories of survivors and their families of Residential Schools in Canada, and to remember those that didn't make it."

(<http://www.orangeshirtday.org/>)

Whereas Sept. 30th is on Saturday this year, everyone is encouraged to wear an orange shirt on Friday, September 29th.