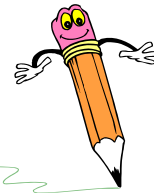


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Please clip & return to the school by April 27th for a chance to win a prize at our next Assembly.

RES' April 2012 Newsletter
Ballot Survey Question:
Why do RES students not have school on Friday, April 20th?

(Student's Name)

Class: _____

**RES' 2012
Grades 3-5
Battle-of-the-Books**



**EVENT is now
underway ...**

See these photos in color on the Web @
<http://rextonelementary.nbed.nb.ca/>



RES' April 2012 Events Schedule

| Date | Event | Time | Location |
|------------|---|------------------------|-------------------------|
| April 10th | Teddy Bear Day | All Day | Rexton Elementary |
| April 11th | RES' 2012 Teddy Bear Picnic | Scheduled Appointments | RES' Gym & Library |
| | RES' April 2012 PSSC Meeting | 6:30 | RES' Library |
| April 20th | Curriculum Day (no school for students) | All Day | All District 16 Schools |



Dylan Fanjoy (4F) competes in RES' Hopping Relay



RES' Student Council organizes RES' Hopping Relay which was held on April 5th.

For your information, we are currently accepting your orders for RES' 2012 School Yearbook. Please check-out RES' website (<http://www.rextonelementary.nbed.nb.ca/>) to read our student's writing!

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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.

RES' 2012 Heritage Week Celebrations



Rexton Elementary's 2012 Heritage Week celebrations were held from February 13-17. This year's theme was "War and Peace" but RES placed greater emphasis on the concept of peace. Students were involved in creating classroom bridges to peace, making valentines for our senior citizens at the Rexton Lion's Nursing Home as well as for our local veterans.

On February 15th, RES celebrated our country's Flag Day by holding its annual flag raising ceremony in front of our fine, fine school and enjoying a small piece of flag



cake (thanks to Rexton's Foodland). RES' Heritage Week celebrations ended with a school-wide Assembly on Friday, February 17th. RES students and staff were asked to bring a toy to our Heritage



Assembly that encouraged peaceful play. Special guests at RES' 2012 Heritage Assembly were Constable Erin St-Cyr, and veterans Edwin Hudson and John Wylie. Oh Canada ... Rexton Elementary School students and staff stand on guard for thee!!



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Grade 4L student, Harrison Oulton, enthusiastically celebrated Canada's Flag Day on February 14th.

Kindergarten Registration

On Wednesday, April 11th RES will host its annual **Teddy Bear's Picnic** for our 2012-2013 Kindergarten students. **THERE WILL BE NO SCHOOL FOR THIS YEAR'S KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11th.**



RES' March/April 2012 Parent/Teacher Meetings
67% of our student's parents met with their child's teacher during our Parent/Teacher meeting, which is down from 72% last year! If you were unable to meet with your child's teacher it is very important that you contact the school ASAP to reschedule you're appointment.



Dancing with RES' starfish!

District 16's Revamped Attendance Regulation

Keeping Students In School:

- School District 16 is committed to helping parents, teachers and the community provide a positive learning environment that challenges and motivates students to go to school each day.
- Absenteeism at the Elementary level is a strong predictor of what is to come at the Middle and High School levels. It is very important for students to attend school regularly.
- When a parent allows their child to miss time from school they should consider the following facts:
 - When children miss time they also miss important material covered in class.
 - The less children learn, the lower their grades will be.
 - The lower their grades are the less desire children have to stay in school.
 - The less desire to stay in school the better the chance of dropping out.
 - Research shows that drop outs have a much higher risk of involvement with drugs and criminal activity.

Legal Implications:

- The Education Act requires parents to have their children attend school.**
- Unless officially excused, a violation or failure to act may result in a punishable offence under the *Provincial Offences Procedure Act.*
- If a child's safety or development is also perceived to be in danger, the matter will be referred to Family & Community Services for investigation under the *Family Services Act.*

Unacceptable Excuses for Absence:

- Parent forgot to wake the child,
 - Parent did not know the child's school schedule,
 - Child missed the bus, child/parent overslept, or too tired,
 - Child didn't feel like going to school,
 - Shopping trips (from: "Preventing Absenteeism in District 16" 2011 brochure)
- * **Child missing school to go on vacation** (outside the scheduled Christmas or March Breaks) i.e. **lengthy vacations in April.**

District 16's Regulation 302 states:

- When a student has **missed five (5) days** in any subject, the subject **teacher must contact the home** to determine the nature of the student's absence(s). The **principal** or his/her designate **will determine whether a case conference needs to be held** to establish expectations for improvement.
- All case conferences arranged for this purpose will involve the student's parent/guardian and the principal or his/her appointed representative.
- When a student **exceeds twelve (12) days**, a case conference **will be held with the student and his/her parent/guardian present, to prepare the terms of contract for improvement.**

RES' Breakfast Program Needs YOU!

- Breakfast is only served to our students from 8:00-8:25 a.m. and consists of one (1) slice of toast and a glass of white milk.
- Students are only permitted to purchase recess snacks from 8:00-8:25 each morning.
- Rexton Elementary is in **dire need of Breakfast volunteers!!** In fact, at this point breakfast might not be provided on a couple of days due to a drastic shortage of volunteers. RES' Breakfast Program offers a wonderful, meaningful way to become involved with helping our youngsters start their day off right! If you are able to spare some time in the morning, and love to work with children, please contact the school @ 523-7152 as soon as possible—thanks!!



RES & District 16 Chess Champions

This year, 56 RES students participated in RES' Chess Club! RES' 2012 Chess Tournaments were held the week before and after the March Break. Our school was permitted to send the **top two students** at each grade level to the **District 16 Chess Tournament**, which was held on Saturday, March 17th at Rexton Elementary School. Amazingly, **NINE (9) RES students conquered their grade level opponents at the District level and advanced to represent Rexton Elementary and District 16 at the Provincial Chess Tournament**, which will be held on Saturday, April 14th in Balmoral.

The following chart lists RES' top three chess-mates in this year's RES Chess Tournament for the 2011-2012 school year. **Congratulations to each of RES' Chess Club Kings & Queens!**

| Grade Level | 1st Place | 2nd Place | 3rd Place |
|--------------|--------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|
| Kindergarten | Tyler Robertson | NA | NA |
| Grade 1 | Spencer Lawson | Jacob Barlow | Jessica Beers |
| Grade 2 | Kallum Fletcher | Kearah Solomon | Kyle Savory |
| Grade 3 | Patrick Knockwood | Rice Carruthers | Jessie Lee |
| Grade 4 | Cody Halas Moulton | Christian Augustine | Keela Sock Matthew Vautour |
| Grade 5 | Chloe Avery | Andrew Roberts | Keenan Sock |

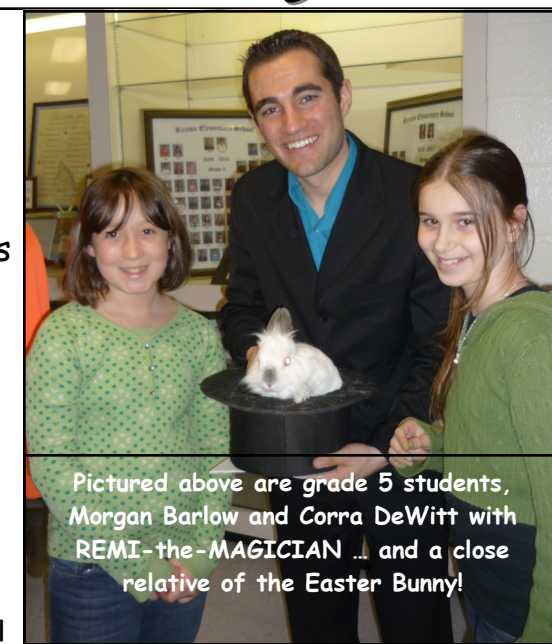
Pictured in the back row: (L-R):
Kallum, Patrick, Chloe, Andrew, Christian, Cody and Rice.



Pictured in the front row: (L-R):
Chenille, Kyle, Jacob, Tyler, Spencer, and Kearah.

RES' REMI-the-MAGICIAN Bilingual Show

On Friday, March 16th, REMI-the-MAGICIAN performed his magic with Rexton Elementary's students and staff. REMI amazed his K-2 AND grades 3-5 audiences with his bilingual, very entertaining performance. For your information, Remi Boudreau was named 2011's Atlantic Canada's Youth Entrepreneur!



Pictured above are grade 5 students, Morgan Barlow and Corra DeWitt with REMI-the-MAGICIAN ... and a close relative of the Easter Bunny!

RES' 2012 Big Crunch Event



Ms. Flanagan's grade 4 students



Mrs. Campbell's grade 1 students



Mrs. Rioux's grade 3 students

The teaching and non-teaching staff of RES wish

to sincerely express our **deepest appreciation to all of RES' dedicated Home & School Association members** for the extra treats they bestowed upon us during this year's Staff Appreciation Week!! We also want to thank all parents who lovingly prepared daily treats for our staff ~ they were all greatly appreciated ~

thank you very much!! ☺