

November 2009 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.



REXTON ELEMENTARY'S TEA & CRAFT SALE



Rexton Elementary is only two weeks away from hosting its annual TEA & CRAFT SALE!! On Saturday, November 21st, staff, parents and community members will all come together in an effort to transform RES into a Celebration of Christmas. The following is an important letter from RES' Home & School President regarding our Tea & Craft Sale:

Craft Sale time is drawing near and we are excited to announce that our annual Christmas Tea & craft sale will be held at our lovely school on November 21st from 9am until 2pm. RES' Home and School have been busy organizing and planning for this wonderful event. As you know, it takes a team of volunteers' to make this event a success. We are looking for your help and for some yummy baked goods to sell at the Sale. We recently sent out volunteer sheets so please look for them in your child's school bag.

Allison Ferguson, RES Home & School President

This year's RES Tea & Craft Sale will once again feature numerous artisans and vendors selling their wares in the gymnasium and in Santa's Café (cafeteria) hungry shoppers will be able to enjoy tasty items from our bunch menu!

Please note that only the following items will directly assist RES' Home & School fundraising efforts?

- Sale from RES' Bake Good Table
- Sales from Santa's Café
- The fee charged to vendor/artisan's for their tables
- Funds from selling the H & S' Christmas Wreaths
- Admission into our Tea & Craft Sale



The amount of volunteers needed for this event to be a success is absolutely astonishing!! We need YOUR help to ensure that this fundraising event is a roaring success; please do not assume that if we haven't contacted you for assistance, that we have enough help! If you are able to spare a bit of time to help our dedicated team of "VALLUNTEERS" set-up before or clean-up after this event, **PLEASE** contact RES' Home & School President, Allison Ferguson @ 523-9967 as soon as possible.

What is the money raised from our Tea & Craft Sale spent on?

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| 1. Purchasing books for our classrooms and library | 5. RES' annual Literacy Night |
| 2. Winter Carnival Activities | 6. RES' Author's Alley |
| 3. End-of-year-field trips | 7. Communication Materials |
| 4. Monthly Assembly Prizes | 8. Grade 5 Farewell Celebration |

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Retired District 16 teachers, Massie Hicks & Susan Campbell were selling their artistic creations at last year's Tea & Craft Sale



Painted & happy faces of RES students who attended last year's Tea & Craft Sale.



RES staff member, Mrs. Cox & Ms. Mazerolle worked in Santa's Café during last year's Tea & Craft Sale.

RES' Safe & Positive Learning Environment

BUSING: The Rexton Bridge is scheduled to open to one lane traffic on Saturday November 14/09! On Monday, November 16/09 the bus routing on the North side of Rexton will return to routing used prior to the bridge closure. On Monday, November 16/09 to Friday, December 18/09 the Main River Bridge will be closed for major repair work. This will result in route changes that will affect some of District 16's buses. During the period of this closure, students residing on Route 510, Main River and transported by Bus 56 Chris Smallwood, will need to take Bus 52, Linda Haywood. A gentle reminder that Rexton Elementary is required to adhere strictly to our school policy of not providing bus transfers.

UPDATED PHONE NUMBERS: If you have purchased a new cell phone or have switched your telephone service provider, please let our Administrative Assistant, Mrs. Agnew, know as soon as possible. A reminder that if you want to receive RES' Talk mail messages, you will need to activate your Aliant Talk mail account and this can be achieved by contacting Aliant at 1-866-4ALiant. * Activating and receiving RES' Talk mail messages is free of charge!

CHECKING IN AT THE OFFICE: Parents/Guardians are comforted to know that here at RES, we require all adults to check-in at our office upon arrival at our fine, fine school. If an adult requests to go to their child's class, we ask them to sign-in and received their visitor's pass. The trick for most busy parents is to remember to sign-out before they leave!

Policy 701: This policy is meant to protect all pupils who are registered in public schools in New Brunswick regardless of their age. It applies to all adults whose job or role within the public education system places them in contact with pupils. This includes, but is not limited to, all school personnel, contract and casual employees, visiting professionals, as well as student teachers and volunteers. Parents/guardians of RES students who wish to volunteer in our school or accompany their child's class on field trips are required to complete the Policy 701 training which can be found at: <http://701.nbed.nb.ca/>

School Pedometer Challenge: Rexton Elementary is very proud to have been selected as one of the 93 schools in the province presently participating in The School Pedometer Challenge! This initiative of the Department of Wellness, Culture and Sport supports the Province's desire to enhance the well-being of New Brunswickers through healthy, active living. The School Pedometer Challenge is provided to encourage all students and staff to get involved. Our school has been given pedometers and support material to use in a multitude of ways, all designed to increase physical activity in our school and school community. The School Pedometer Challenge will run from November 2009 to June 2010.

Mrs. Richard, Vice Principal of RES

Go Active Challenge: We are proud to say this year that our Grade 2's through 5 have participated in the Go Active Challenge. This fitness challenge is aimed to improve their fitness levels through out the year. They have just finished their first round of test which included, one minute of push ups, one minute of crunches, standing long jump, shuttle run, 50 meter dash, and an endurance run. A special congratulations goes out to; Blaine Ward, Maddie Vautour, Ason Tomah, Parker Campbell, Matthew McDermott, Asia Babineau, Ronnie Hessel, Jenny Evers, Mickey McDermott, and Chris Quigley for their outstanding results in the Go Active Challenge! Good luck to everyone when they do their second round of testing.

Mrs. Russell, RES' Physical Education Teacher

RES' 2009-2010

K-2 Halloween Costume

Contest winners:

Allison Sturgenon, Emily Sock and Bradley Hebert



RES' Grades 3-5

Halloween Costume

Contest winners:

Areauna Solomon, Karley Oulette, and Ryan Jelinek



RES' Hat Day: Pictured above are Kelsey and Karrie sporting their warm & cozy hats

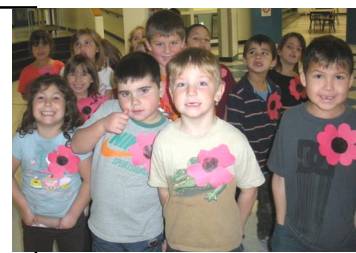
Kindergarten Registration

We are currently accepting Kindergarten Registrations for the 2010-2011 school year!

For further information, please contact our school secretary, Mrs. Connie Agnew @ 523-7152.



Books & Magazines: We need your loved but no-longer-needed trade books (Franklin & Mercer Mayer books, etc.) and children's magazines (Chickadee, Chirp, Highlights, Owl, Sports Illustrated for Kids, etc.). We welcome you to drop-off these delightful treasures at our school office —thanks in advance!!



Rexton Elementary's H1N1 Clinic

The following is an abbreviated version of a notice regarding H1N1 that was sent home with all RES students on Friday, October 30th:

Pandemic (H1N1) 2009 is circulating in New Brunswick communities and there is no reason to think that Rexton Elementary School would be excluded from this situation. In line with current public health guidance, the closure of schools is not being recommended at this time, even when students or staff at those schools has experienced influenza-like symptoms.

Please monitor your child and yourself daily for influenza-like illness (fever and cough and one or more of the following: sore throat, body aches and fatigue). It is possible that spread of this infection within the school has already occurred, so it is important to review routine infection control measures, such as frequent hand washing, covering coughs and sneezes, avoiding sharing personal items, and staying home when sick.

For more information on Pandemic (H1N1) 2009 flu virus, please contact your local RHA Public Health office during normal office hours. For the most up-to-date information on Pandemic (H1N1) 2009 at any time, please visit www.qnb.ca/flu or call our 24-hour Pandemic (H1N1) 2009 phone line at 1-800-580-0038. A full list of local public health offices is available on the website as well as useful personal resources such as advice for caring for someone who is sick. The website is updated almost daily and the phone line provides information, symptom triage, and health advice.

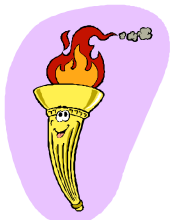
Dr. Eilish Cleary, Chief Medical Officer of Health

IMPORTANT RES H1N1 CLINIC INFORMATION:

- 1) RES' second H1N1 Clinic is tentatively set for Monday, November 30th. This Clinic is intended for RES students who are younger than 10 years-old and who have already received the first dose of the H1N1 vaccine.
- 2) RES' grade-level vaccination schedule for our November 30th H1N1 Clinic will be sent home (via notice & Talkmail) as soon as that information becomes available.
- 3) Rexton Elementary School will be facilitating the Nov. 30th H1N1 Clinic, however, the decisions, procedures and protocols for this Clinic are the responsibility of the Public Health Department.
- 4) You will be notified ASAP if Rexton Elementary receives official confirmation from the Public Health Department that any of our students has H1N1.

Olympic Torch Relay:

We are very pleased to announce that *Starfish* students in Rexton Elementary's grades 4 and grade-5 classes will be venturing to the Miramichi on Friday, November 27th to witness the arrival of the Olympic Torch. There will be a draw on Monday, November 23rd, to determine which grade 3 starfish will be permitted to participate in this field trip as well! All students participating must have demonstrated consistent Starfish Behaviors which include: **Trustworthiness, Respectfulness, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring, and Citizenship.**



RES' 2009-2010

Scholastic Book Fair

THANK-YOU for supporting our annual Scholastic Book fair. The total amount of funds raised by this literacy event was...

\$3336.75!!

This grand total will go towards the purchase of books for our K-5 classrooms. Special thanks to our fantastic librarian,

Janice LeBlanc!



Pictured above is Jordan Vautour, Reece LeBlanc, and Parker Campbell.



RES' 2009 "Crazy Hair Day for UNICEF" Winners:

Talli Warren, Sarah McDermott, Emily Murray, Tori Wry, Parker Campbell, and Trueman Olton.

*Special Thanks to our judges
Bernie Landry & Gerald Richard*

Slipper & Sock Day - Nov. 13th



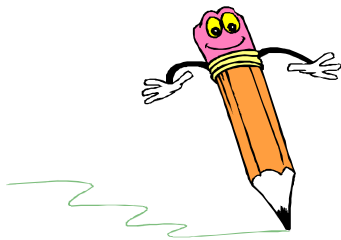
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Congratulations
to our Hockey Gold Medal
Winners: Dawson Augustine,
Brady Carruthers, Conor
Fillmore, and Mason
Roberts



RES' NOVEMBER Newsletter
Student Ballot Question:
Please clip & return to the
school by November 10th
(PRIZES: REX-E T-shirts!)

How will your
parents/guardians
support RES' 2009
Tea & Craft Sale?

Student's Name: _____

Class: _____

Parent's Signature: _____

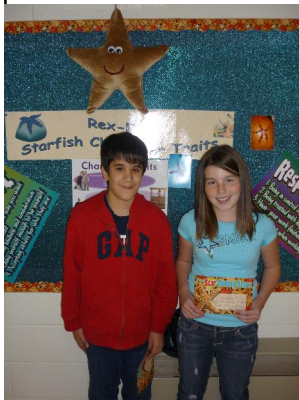


We're on the Web @
<http://rextonelementary.nbed.nb.ca/>

WHAT? RES' 2009 TEA & CRAFT SALE

WHO? All Parents/Guardians of RES Students
WHEN? Saturday, November 21st from 9:00-2:00
WHERE? Rexton Elementary School
WHY? To raise funds to support RES' learning environment!


*Parents/Guardians who volunteer at
RES' Tea & Craft Sale will have their child's
name entered into our draw to win a
family pass to Crystal Palace!*



Rexton Elementary's first SPARKLERS for the
2009-2010 School Year all hail from Mrs.
Stoddart's Grade 5 class: Sarah McDermott,
Nathan Simon, AND Dawson Augustine!
(Shown on the left are Nathan Simon & Sarah McDermott; miss-
ing from this photo is Dawson Augustine).

Grade 5 Student-of-the-Month Program

Grade 5 students have been participating in the Student-of-the-Month program. Students vote for a boy and girl in their class who has exhibited model behavior within the class and the school. Congratulation to those students that were nominated for September and October. Keep up the great work and sparkling behavior!

	September 2009	October 2009
		
5-Stoddart	Sarah McDermott	Anna Murphy
	Matthew Murray	Dawson Augustine
5-Cox	Dakota Keating	Katie Hannah
	Walker Campbell	Hailey Milliea
		Talon Simon