

Rexton Elementary School

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Anglophone School  
District North  
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RES' September 2015  
Newsletter Student Ballot  
Question:  
(Please clip & return to  
the school by Sept. 23rd)  
When is RES' 2015  
Open House & Ice-Cream  
Social?

(Student's Name)

Class: \_\_\_\_\_



RES' School Picture Days



Grades K, 2, and 4:  
Thursday, September 24th

Grades 1, 3, and 5:  
Friday, September 25th

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

WHAT? RES' 2015 "Open" House & PSSC Election

WHO? RES' Parents/Guardians & Students

WHEN? Thurs. Sept. 24th from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

WHERE? Rexton Elementary School

WHY?

- a) To meet & greet your child's teachers and EAs,
- b) Nominate/vote for new PSSC members,
- c) To receive information pamphlets about grade level curriculum expectations, class/school routines and procedures, and health & nutritional information,
- d) To purchase your 2015-2016 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 able 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 our door prizes include a \$25 Chapters' gift certificate and a family pass to the Resurgo Museum ~ we hope you will make plans to join us on Thursday, September 24th @ 6:30 p.m.!!



Please join  
us for  
RES' 2015  
OPEN-  
HOUSE &  
PSSC  
Election!



## Bus Safety

On Wednesday, September 16th, RES held its annual Bus Safety & Evacuation drill. Pictured below is Ms. Hitchman's Grade 3 FI class with three of our Anglophone School District North bus drivers (Judy Murray, Bonnie Ketcheson, and Randy Campbell) who worked with our teaching staff to provide these crucial lessons to all of our students. Parents, we ask you to please view the Bus Safety pamphlet that was sent home with your child this week. Safe travels, everyone!



Principal: Diane Wilson



Rexton Elementary School  
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Vice-Principal: Virginia Richard



# RES' SEPTEMBER 2015 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 Kindees, RES also wants to welcome our 13 new grades 1-5 students (and their families) who moved into the greater Rexton-area during the summer months.

We also want to sincerely welcome RES' new cafeteria worker (Belinda Curran), our new FN Support Worker (Sabrina Phinney), and our Educational Assistant intern (Donna Murphy) to our fine, fine school. RES is also very pleased to welcome back our Grade 4 French Immersion teacher, Mme. Savoie, who was on maternity leave last year. And finally, we are absolutely thrilled-to-pieces to welcome back our treasured Administrative Assistant ... Mrs. Connie Agnew!!

As we dive into another year of learning together with our starfish, please know that we NEED and WANT your help in making your child's school year successful. Please let us know if you have concerns about your child's day and do not assume that we already know. 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 call, or by scheduling a meeting with your child's teacher when you have a concern. Here's to a fan-tas-tic year of learning!

Mrs. Diane Wilson

We are thrilled to welcome Mrs. Haley Murphy to RES' FN Numeracy Lead position!

Mrs. Murphy has been teaching at our school many years and she has taught at the K-7 grade levels. Mrs. Murphy has also filled the role of RES' Resource Teacher, Reading Recovery Lead Teacher, as well as Acting Vice Principal. Most recently, Mrs. Murphy has been working with RES' students/teachers to advance our Mathematics achievement. Congratulations to Mrs. Murphy ... and to all of



## RES' Code of Conduct

### I will respect myself

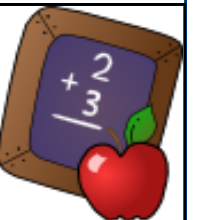
- I am responsible for my own behaviour to the best of my abilities.
- I will be responsible for my own personal choices.
- I will attend my classes, do my homework, and be prepared and on time.
- I will resolve my disagreement in a positive and helpful manner.

### 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. 8th & Fri., Oct. 9th** because these will be Professional Learning Days for all teaching staff in our district.



RES' Student Agenda Available



RES' 2015-2016 Student Agenda is available for all Grades 1-5 students for only \$4.00. Please send your child's \$4 fee to your classroom teacher as soon as possible.



RES is once again please to announce that our school has received confirmation that we will receive funding from the Breakfast for Learning program this year (more details as they become available). Special thanks is extended to President's Choice Children's Charity!

## RES' Positive Learning Environment

### 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.



### School Parking/Drop-off & Handicapped Zone Reminders:

- RES' **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.
- 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 when you arrive at our school, you are required to 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 **1:50**. 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 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 up to our front door monitoring system** (we will not permit 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 must press the button on the monitoring system that is located outside of our front doors and speak to an office staff member regarding the purpose of your visit.
- 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 with them everyday (please do not get in 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 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. **All bus students are encouraged to ride on their buses to and from school.**

**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. Parents wishing to meet with a school administrator during our instructional day will need to call the school (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' 2015-2016 Staff

Custodial Staff: Gerald Richard, Donny Hudson, Fern Mazerolle  
Cafeteria Staff: Diane Robinson & Belinda Curran  
Breakfast Coordinator: Leigh-Ann Egan-Mitton



Custodians

Kindergarten: Danelle Rioux & Cynthia Wood  
Grade 1: Susan Campbell & Kari Gallant  
Grade 2-1: Brenda McFadden  
Grade 2: Stephanie Flanagan & Nancy Scully  
Grade 3: Candice Gallivan  
Grade 3 French Immersion: Ashley Hitchman  
Grade 4-3 French Immersion: Julia Mazerolle  
Grade 4 Pre Intensive French: Breanna Flanagan  
Grade 4 French Immersion: Marie Josee Savoie  
Grade 5 French Immersion: Kevin Rioux  
Grade 5 Intensive French: Devon Stoddart  
Gym Specialist: Kim Bowes



Music Specialist: Janice Hall-Short  
Guidance: Angela Savory  
Resource: Marie Walsh  
K-5 Literacy Lead: Karen Thibeault  
K-5 Numeracy Lead: Haley Murphy  
Speech/Language Pathologist: Jillian Walker  
Educational Assistants: Rose-Jean Cormier, Toby Campbell, Penny Robichaud, Diane Guimond, Yvonne Fagan and Brenda Lawson  
French Second Language Assistant: Ginette Simard  
Interventionist: Donna Hebert  
Librarian: Janice LeBlanc  
Boucoute/Indian Island Education Worker: Gail Barlow  
Boucoute Support Worker: Sabrina Phinney  
Administrative Assistant: Connie Agnew  
Vice-Principal: Virginia Richard  
Principal: Diane Wilson



FN Liaisons



Educational Assistants



Administrative Assistant



Librarian

## RES' Combined, Multi-Aged Classrooms

The Department of Early Childhood Education has allotted Rexton Elementary fourteen classes for the 2015-2016 school year and two of these classes are combined, multi-aged classes. We have a combined 2-1 class and a combined 4-3 French Immersion class. Ms. Brenda McFadden is our Grade 2-1 classroom teacher and Ms. Julia Mazerolle is our Grade 4-3 classroom teacher. Here's to a great year ahead for all of RES' keen, young learners!!



Ms. McFadden's grade 2-1 class

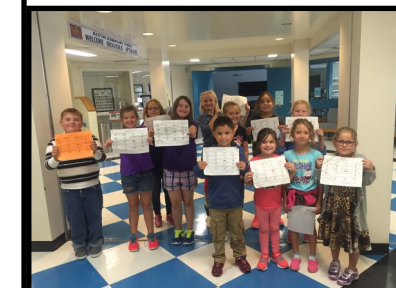


Ms. Mazerolle's grade 4-3

## 35th Annual Terry Fox Run

Rexton Elementary students & staff will be participating in our annual Terry Fox Walk around our schoolyard on **Wednesday, September 30th**.

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



### RES' 2015 Summer Reading BINGO Champions

were all treated to an ice-cream sundae party in the staff room on **Monday, September 14th:**

- Chelsia Augustine (1C)
- Colby Augustine (1C)
- Ella McDonald (4S)
- Levi Sock (2F)
- Danielle Campbell (4S)
- Pierce Oulton (4S)
- Kate Hebert (2-1)
- Hannay Delorey (4F)
- Violet LeBlanc (2-1M)



Join us next year!