



Looking ahead....

January

- ★ 8th Welcome Back!
- ★ 18th PAC meeting 7 pm
- ★ 19th Pizza Lunch
- ★ 21st PAC sponsored Swim 1-3 *children must be accompanied by an adult
- ★ 26th NJ Country Dance sponsored by our PAC

Thank you to
Healthy Food for Learning!

Each day, we replenish the snack basket in the office, use real world skills while baking or cooking and are able to have our Wellness Wednesday special snacks due to the generosity of Food First.

****February 16th - STIP no school**
February 19, 20, 21st no school (conference)

Happy New Year!

I hope you had a fun filled two week break. Even though the time seemed to fly, it is nice to get back into the routine of school and work.

January to March are key learning times for students. This seems to be the time where students consolidate their learning and start to fly! We see students grow in leaps and bounds during this second term. This is a great time to develop some routines for 'homework'. Homework should be enjoyable! Homework should not be a new concept or something so difficult that your child struggles. It should be reading with or to someone, playing a math game, writing a list or even talking about the day's events. If you are looking for ideas to engage your student, speak to your child's teacher.

This month we celebrate Family Literacy! We will have special events throughout the last week of the month even though Family Literacy is technically Friday, January 27th. Please check out the link below for some great ideas:

<http://abclifeliteracy.ca/family-literacy>

We have a busy time ahead. There is plenty to be done before March Break! Please remind your child to bring their outdoor gear just in case the weather does cooperate and we get outside for recess!

Happy New Year and thank you for your continued support in your child's' learning.

Shirley Zouboules

Thank you for
**Making A
Difference**

Are there educators in your school you'd like to say thank you to?

Who?
Where do they work?
How do they make a difference?
Tell us about them!



**Thank You
for making a difference!**

Submit Online nwttta.nt.ca

WIN PRIZES! DEADLINE FEBRUARY 2, 2018

No Parking Areas

Thank you to our drivers who are respectful of the 'no parking' signs in the driveway. We are experiencing high volumes of vehicle traffic and want to once again remind drivers that there are NO PARKING areas in the driveway. Please DO NOT use the bus lane at any time when dropping off or picking up your child before or after school.



Lifetouch Photo Retakes February 9th in the afternoon.

Why do we use Visual Schedules in our classrooms?



Lifetouch
School Portraits

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- VISUALS ARE PERMANENT (SPOKEN WORDS DISAPPEAR)
- VISUALS ALLOW TIME FOR LANGUAGE PROCESSING
- VISUALS PREPARE STUDENTS FOR TRANSITIONS
- VISUALS HELP KIDS SEE WHAT YOU MEAN
- VISUALS HELP ALL STUDENTS
- VISUALS HELP BUILD INDEPENDENCE
- VISUALS ARE TRANSFERABLE BETWEEN ENVIRONMENTS AND PEOPLE
- VISUALS HAVE NO ATTITUDE (NO TONE - NO FRUSTRATION - NO DISAPPROVAL)
- VISUALS HELP REDUCE ANXIETY

The visuals may look different from room to room, but they are universally helpful!

If you have any questions about retakes, please call the school office at 873-4372.

Family Literacy

Stories come in all shapes and sizes as well as mediums! During Family Literacy 'week', check with your child's teacher to see if there is a good time to be a Guest Reader or Story Teller! Through the week, we will celebrate literacy with a trivia contest, travelling story writing, and guest readers. Everyday is a good day for families to celebrate literacy together!

http://www.nwtliteracy.ca/sites/default/files/files/Family%20and%20Community%20Literacy/ntlc_storymakers_book_pr.pdf

Positive Behavioural Interventions & Supports

You have probably heard your child say, "I got a PAW" today." or had your child come home with a paw stamp on their hand. This has been part of our school wide behaviour plan for many years. Like any good plan, review and reflection is important so we will review our expectations as classes then school wide. Our second week back, we will hold an assembly to review what RESPECT for Self, Others & Land looks like, sounds like and feels like. We are very excited about the many benefits of PBIS. Interested in learning more about PBIS? Visit www.pbis.org/school



Happy New Year!

January						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8 Welcome Back! Gymnastics 4E, 4/5H	9	10 Staff meeting	11 Carole Fullerton in residence @NJ	12	13
14	15 Gymnastics: UEM, 3K	16 Gr. 3 Traditional Games @ NJ	17	18 PAC meeting 7 p.m.	19 Pizza Lunch	20
21 Pac Family Fun Swim 1-3 **free and children must be accompanied by an adult	22 No Gymnastics	23	24	25 Leyton Schnellert in residence @MHS	26 PAC Country Dance! 6-8	27
29	29 Gymnastics 2/3Moran, 2/3Canning	30	31			
<p>NWTTA Educator's Conference takes place Monday, February 19 to Wednesday, 21st No classes for students</p>						

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