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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Please read through the newsletter and check the attached calendar so that you are informed of everything that is happening at our school.

Thursday May 4 and Friday May 5 are PD days, there will be no school for students. Also Monday May 22 is Victoria Day, all schools are closed.

We are excited to share with everyone that the Youth Champions have been awarded the Community Health Recognition Award by Horizon Health. This is in recognition for their work towards **youth wellness**.

We are very proud of these students and the work they are doing to promote healthy eating, fitness and being positive role models.



Brooklyn Savage, grade 3, received first place in the Province for the Remembrance Day poster contest.

Congratulations Brooklyn!



Miss Cases grade 3 class participated in the Miramichi Music Festival and were asked to return for the Showcase as the opening performance. Well done!



Just a Reminder: If your child is late for school, please remember to escort them in the building. Students that are late need to be signed in. Also if the students leave the school at anytime during school hours, they need to be signed out by an adult.

Please be reminded to have your child dressed appropriately for the weather. The students go outside for recess when the weather permits.

There will be a snack break from 10:10-10:25.
Snack ideas:
Apple
carrot sticks
cheese string
No sugary drinks, chips or treats with lots of sugar are allowed

Paths in our school



Summer is nearly here! You can help your children make new friends on the playground and build their friendship skills. Sometimes children find it hard to make new friends. You can help your child with this problem by practicing some ways to start a conversation with another child. Saying things like, "Hi. My name is _____. Would you like to play with me?" Or, "Hi. You are really good at playing ball. Can I play too?" helps children get over feeling shy. Some children just don't know what to say to another child that they don't know. By helping your child have a conversation starter, you will boost their confidence and self-esteem!

7 Sacred Teaching Awards

Students...You could win free popcorn for the month or a \$5 book of your choice from scholastics!

Here's how to participate:

If any staff member at Natoaganeg School observes a student doing one of the 7 Sacred Teachings: Truth, Love, Respect, Courage, Honesty, Humility, and Wisdom, they will give you a certificate and enter your name into the monthly draw for these prizes!

Let's get started on showing others how to be truthful, honest, courageous, wise, humble, loving and respectful to each other. Lets bring our school closer together and work as a team!!!

This months winners are:

HONESTY

Jacob Martin

LOVE

Nolan Genova

HUMBLE

Shauntay Ward

TRUTH

Ian Ginnish

RESPECT

Shelby Kelly

COURAGE

Janessa Francis

WISDOM

Brooklyn Savage



WHAT'S HAPPENING

Drumming with George Paul after school every Wednesday for grade 3-8 boys.



Mr. Fletcher has made arrangements for our grade 8 students to visit MVHS to help them get acquainted with the school and staff. This intergration process involves the grade 8's taking tours, meeting MVHS mentors, having lunch in the cafeteria and sitting in on some classes and taking part in some cultural activities with Ashley Julian.

MVHS Intergration Schedule (grade 8)

Tuesday May 9 @ 9am-12:30pm

Thursday May 25 -All day

***students take bus to and from MVHS**

Girls Volleyball

Practice Tuesdays and Thursdays after school



May 1 @ NSER - 5:30

May 2 @ MAA -4:30

May 9 jamboree @ MVHS

* Bring shorts, knee pads and water bottle

Cross stitch every Monday afterschool

DRAMA practice every Monday and Wednesday after school.

May 8th Natoaganeg Drama Club presents "Snow White" (modern version)

There will be a UNB Robotics Workshop at our school on the PD day May 5th. This workshop is open to all students in grade 5 to 8.

May 5th 9am - 4 pm

@ Natoaganeg School



Attendance matters because being present and on time has a positive impact on all learning

Attendance Policy

School attendance is taken at 8:30 a.m. Your child is late at 8:31 a.m.

Breakfast is served from 8:05 – 8:20 am.

Walkers should arrive as close to 8:05 am as possible (especially if they are eating breakfast).

All students arriving after 8:31 am are considered tardy and **parents must sign them in** at the office before going to class. The best time to drop off students is before 8:31 am. All students being dropped off must arrive through the main doors of the building. **Parents must park in the school parking lot and walk your child into school and sign the late form.**



WIN THE TROPHY

The class that has perfect attendance for one full month will get to keep the “perfect class attendance” trophy in their classroom until the next month.

Note

Perfect attendance is awarded to students who are at school **on time** everyday.

every 3 lates = 1 absent



18 OR MORE DAYS

- Excused and unexcused absences represent lost time in the classroom and lost opportunities to learn.
- Missing just one day every two weeks can add up to 18 days in a year. Absences add up before you even know it.



10 TO 17 DAYS

- Students who are absent an average of 15 days a year miss a year's worth of school before their senior year.
- When students miss a day of school it actually puts them two days behind their classmates.



9 OR FEWER ABSENCES

- Students with good attendance generally achieve higher grades and enjoy school more.
- Children benefit and make the most of their educational opportunities if they attend school regularly and on time.



NEKAW NAQSI P+SIN We're always at school- Perfect Attendance Program

The goal is to promote attendance at school, encourage punctuality, and discourage tardiness. Everyday that a class has perfect attendance they will receive a letter from the phrase **NEKAW NAQSI P+SIN**

The first class to spell out this phrase will receive a pizza party or ice cream party at the end of the week in which they won.

ATTENDANCE 
MATTERS

Reminders

PD DAY

(No school for students)

Thursday May 4

(No school for students)

Friday May 5

Robotics Workshop gr. 5-8

Monday May 22 (Victoria Day , all schools closed)

Goody Cart:

A reminder that we will be selling healthy items in the goody cart once again this year. Also there is no borrowing. Goody Cart prices are \$1 for a food item and \$0.50 for a chocolate milk.

The Home and School Association will be selling bags of popcorn on Fridays for \$1.



Daily Schedule:

8:05 - 8:20am - Breakfast

8:30am - Classes Begin

10:10 - 10:25am Recess

10:30- 11:00am SWI

12:00pm -12:45pm - Lunch

12:45 - 2:40pm - Regular Classes

K4 students Mon.-Thurs. dismissed at **4pm**

Fri.-**11:45 am**

K5 students are dismissed at **2:00pm.**

Grade 1-8 are dismissed at **2:40 pm.**

Our school will be participating in the NB Wellness Survey. Parents/Guardians when you receive your survey please complete it as soon as possible and return it to the school in the sealed envelope.

The **2016-2017 New Brunswick Elementary Student Wellness Survey** is a provincial initiative of the Department of Social Development - Wellness Branch, in partnership with the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development and the NBHC. The survey gathers information from students in grade 4 & 5 and parents /guardians of students in k to grade 5. It surveys attitudes and behaviors regarding healthy eating, mental fitness, bullying, physical activity and tobacco use. By taking time to complete this survey parents and students can contribute to their school's improvement plans and wellness activities. If you would like more information on this survey, please call the New Brunswick Health Council at 1-877-225-2521.

At Natoaganeg School we live by the **Healthy Bodies, Healthy Minds, Healthy Spirits** philosophy and we do our best to impart this message to the students. One way we do this is by providing the children with a healthy and nutritious breakfast and lunch each day. Children should come prepared with a healthy snack that is **low in sugar and sodium**. Some examples of an appropriate snack are:

applesauce, fruits, veggies, cereal bar, granola, yogurt, cheese, milk (white or chocolate), crackers.



In recognition of this month's perfect attendance.
We would like to express THANK YOU to all parents for recognizing the importance
of our attendance policy.

April winners are:

*Johnny-Ray Larry
Owen Henderson - Ward*

K4

Brysen Kelly

Fisher Patles

Michael Paul

Grade 1/2

Kayden Ginnish

Johnny Ray Larry

Jacoby Simon-
Dedam

Grade 3

Ian Ginnish

Abigail Stewart

Grade 4/5

Preston Francis

Blade Simon

Kaido Simonson

Xavier Ward

In April there were 17 out of 77
ballots returned.

Students with perfect
attendance get their name put
in a draw each month for a
prize!

Grade 6/7

Ayden Lynch

Kohen Simonson

Nicole Vicaire

Mathyis Ward

Grade 8

Janessa Francis

Nathaniel Ginnish

Savannah Simon

Shauntay Ward

Owen Henderson-
Ward

SUCCESSFUL NEWSLETTER DELIVERY BALLOT

Sign below to indicate that your son/daughter has delivered to you this month's newsletter. Have your child
return this ballot to the ballot box located at the school office by Friday May 26. At the end of the month a
draw will be made for a gift certificate from all the ballots that are returned.

April winner: **Preston Francis**

Parents signature

Students name

Grade