



École Holy Family Elementary School

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May 2017 Newsletter

Vision Statement

École Holy Family Elementary, learning progressively to empower all students to achieve in an inclusive and active environment.

Mission Statement

By 2017, the École Holy Family Elementary school community will maximize student learning and achievement by progressively engaging the 21st century learner through inclusive and collaborative practices.

Dates to remember:

May 10 – Family School Development Survey deadline

May 11 – Move-a-thon

May 12 – PD Day – no school for all students

May 18 – Family Fun Night

May 22 – Holiday

May 24 - Earth Rangers Presentation

May 25 – Recycling Day

May 25 – 30 – Provincial Assessments Grades 3 & 6

May 31 – Opera on the Avalon Presentation

June 8 – Kindergarten Celebration – **new *1:10 pm**

June 13 – Grade 6 Farewell – 10:50 am

June 14 – 1st Choice Primary Sports DayPlease note the new date!**

June 16 – 1st Choice Elementary Sports Day

June 19 – 2nd Choice Primary Sports Day

June 20 – 2nd Choice Elementary Sports Day

June 22 - Term 3 Report Cards Released

guardian must accompany his/her child to the session. You may **attend either session 1 or session 2 (not both)**, to allow more families to participate. There is NO cost for these activities. We look forward to seeing you!

Family School Development Survey

If you have not already done so, please complete the Family Survey by **May 10, 2017** by clicking on the following link:

<https://www.research.net/r/SDFamilyEN>.

If you do not have internet access, you may contact your school to arrange access to a school computer or mobile device for survey completion.

Move -a-thon

Our final fundraising event for this school year, our Move-a-thon, will start today. Please see separate information memo emailed today. Sponsor sheet should be in your child's book bag!



Yearbook Orders

Yearbook orders are still being accepted. The cost is \$15. Please note yearbooks will not be delivered until September of 2017. This will allow us to include pictures of year end activities. Orders can be made online or payment can be sent in to your child's teacher. I would recommend ordering directly online at YBPay.lifetouch.com, use yearbook ID code **11982317**.



Pink T-Shirt Days

The last Wednesday of this month will again be Pink T-Shirt Day. May 24th!!

Provincial Assessments 2017 – Grade 3&6

Our Grade 3 and 6 students will begin writing an English Provincial Assessment from May 25 – 30. The Assessment at the Grade 3 level will assess outcomes covered from Kdg.–Grade 3 in English Language Arts and at the Grade 6 level will assess all outcomes covered from Grade 4 - Grade 6.



Family Fun Night

Once again this year we will be hosting our 6th annual Holy Family Fun Night. Come and be active with your child in a variety of different activities such as Drumming, Magic Show, Soccer, Play 4 Fun, Family Yoga, Manuel's River Experience, Caricature, Judo etc. that are sure to be fun for the whole family.

Date: May 18th, 2017

Time: 6:00 -7:00 (session 1)
7:15- 8:15 (session 2)

Location: Holy Family School, Paradise
Registration began on April 26th,
Parents/guardians can sign up for 2 activities online by clicking on the Family Fun Night link on the Holy Family school web page (www.hfsparadise.com). Each activity will be approximately 20 minutes and promises to be loads of fun for all family members. Sessions will be filled up on a first sign, first serve basis and class sizes may be limited due to space. A parent or

It is very important that your child is present during the time that the assessment is being completed. While the assessment is not meant to place undue stress upon students, we do impress upon them the importance of completing their best work.



Our next Recycling Blitz for this school year will take place on Thursday, May 25. This will be a school-wide event.

Recycling Winners for April:

KDG: Madelyn Brett
Gr. 1: Joshua Turner
Gr. 2: Owen Noble
Gr. 3: Timothy Medina
Gr. 4: Matthew Hollett
Gr. 5: Riley Brennan
Gr. 6: Chrissy Cox

Parent Requests for September 2017-18

It is not our policy at École Holy Family to entertain requests for specific teachers or classes. When teachers compile class lists, they place much effort into organizing the classes based on boys/girls; academic ability, behavioral /social or other issues. It is a huge task which takes much time. Each child's placement in a class is done with much consideration. In a school the size of ours, it would be virtually impossible for us to accommodate requests from parents. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.



Kindergarten Registration 2018-19 School Year

The Newfoundland and Labrador English School District will be using an

online registration process for the English Kindergarten and Early French Immersion Kindergarten programs. Children must be five years of age on or before December 31, 2018 in order to register. Please note this registration process is for the 2017-2018 Kinderstart children who will be in Kindergarten in 2018-2019.

Please note that online registration is required for all areas of the province this year.

For the **Eastern** Region, online registration will begin at 9:00 a.m. on **Wednesday, May 10th** and remain open until 9:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 11th, 2017.

Registration will take place on the Newfoundland and Labrador English School District's website www.nlesd.ca. These times will be for those registering for both English and Early French Immersion programs.

You will need the following in order to complete an online application:

- MCP number including expiration date
- An email address in order to receive confirmation of receipt of your application
- Phone contact number and an emergency contact phone number
- An Internet-ready device

To finalize the registration process, proof of address and confirmation of MCP number must be provided in person at the designated school on or before **May 26, 2017.**

Any parents/guardians requiring Internet access or technical support may visit their zoned school during registration times for assistance. Please contact your zoned school by **May 4, 2017** to arrange assistance during the registration process.

Early French Immersion Kindergarten registration takes place on a first sign-in first serve basis and applications will be dated and time-stamped electronically upon submission of the online application form.

Transferring Out of our Zone?

Please note that it is the policy of the NL English School District that all children must attend their zoned school. We realize that throughout the year many families may move from our school zone. In such a case children are welcome to finish the year here; however, as of September 2017 **students must transfer to the school within their new zone.**



Earth Rangers is the Kids' Conservation Organization and they have

visited over 500 schools a year with their Earth Rangers Show to educate students about the environment and species at risk. The presentation takes students on an educational adventure to learn about some of the planet's most amazing creatures and their habitats. Students would be introduced to 4 LIVE animal ambassadors and learn about protecting animals and their habitats. This presentation will be for our Grade 2 - 6 students.