



École Holy Family Elementary School

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June 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:

- June 8 – Kindergarten Celebration – **1:05 pm**
- June 13 – Grade 6 Farewell – **1:15 pm**
- June 14 – 1st Choice Primary (K-2) Sports Day
- June 16 – 1st Choice Elementary (Gr. 3-6) Sports Day
- June 19 – 2nd Choice Primary (K-2) Sports Day
- June 20 – 2nd Choice Elementary (Gr. 3-6) Sports Day
- June 21 – Pink T-Shirt Day
- Recycling Day
- June 22 - Term 3 Report Cards Released



We would like to say a special thank you to a number of our teachers who will be leaving us at the end of this school year. You have certainly given a lot to École Holy Family Elementary through your hard work, dedication and interest in our students. Ms. Hickman, Ms. Benson, Ms. Field, Ms. Petten - good luck in all your future endeavors! You will all be missed at École Holy Family Elementary.

In terms of our wonderful Student Assistants, every year we are uncertain as to who will and will not be returning. We hope to see them all again next year!

Sports Days –



This year we will have two Sports Days, one for Grades K, 1 & 2 and one for Grades 3, 4, 5 & 6. Please note that we have two dates for each Sports

Day to accommodate weather conditions.

- June 14 – 1st Choice Grades K-2 Sports Day
- June 16 – 1st Choice Grades 3 – 6 Sports Day
- June 19 – 2nd Choice Grades K-2 Sports Day
- June 20 – 2nd Choice Grades 3 - 6 Sports Day

The School Lunch Program will proceed as normal on both Sports Days.

We ask that you check your email for Synrevoice messages, or check out www.nlesd.ca for school status updates or our twitter account @holyfamilyscho2 on those days for information about Sports Days.

Students Transferring

If, at this time, you know that your child will not be returning to École Holy Family Elementary in September we ask that you notify your child's teacher. This will assist us as we attempt to plan classes for next year. Thank you for your support in this matter!



Pink T-Shirt Days

The last Wednesday of this month will again be Pink T-Shirt Day. June 21!!



Our final Recycling Blitz for this school year will take place on Wednesday, June 21. This will be a school-wide event.

Recycling Winners for May:

- KDG: Jacob Ridgley
- Gr. 1: Gavin Barrett
- Gr. 2: Gracie Druken
- Gr. 3: Paetyn Corcoran
- Gr. 4: Nyah Barrett
- Gr. 5: Riley Brennan
- Gr. 6: Erika Lilly

Bus Updates:

The bus service for our school has been retendered. Due to this, there may be some changes to the bus routes for the upcoming 2017-2018 school year.

This information will be available from the school's profile page on the School District website, www.nlesd.ca by September 1, 2017.

Please note that bus routes are subject to change at any time, and pick-up/drop-off times are approximate. Please visit the website regularly to check for any changes to the bus routes or times for our school.

Courtesy Busing



Courtesy busing for this school year ends on June 22nd. Anyone wishing to access courtesy busing next year will need to re-apply in September.

Decisions may not be made until Oct. 1st as we will need time to determine

our eligible bus students before assigning courtesy seats.

Cafeteria Closure

The last day for the School Lunch Program is Friday, **June 16th. Students are asked to bring their own recess and lunch during the last week of school.** We would like to extend our thanks to Ms. Bradbury, Ms. Abbott & Ms. Reid for all their hard work this year. The School Lunch Program has been a huge success again this year, thanks in large part to their kind, patient manner with our students. Their delicious cooking was appreciated by students & staff alike!

Lost & Found Items



All remaining items in the Lost & Found box have been placed on several tables near the main entrance of our school. If your child is missing

any items, you may like to visit the school to check through these tables. Any unclaimed items will be sent to the Goodwill Center on Tuesday, June 20th.

Library Books

We are asking that all library books be returned by June 16th. Over the past number of years we have purchased many books for our Resource Centre at a considerable cost. Therefore, we ask if parents could check at home for any books that children may have borrowed. Please send them in to the Resource Centre at your earliest convenience.

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.

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.**

Report Cards

Third term report cards will be distributed to students on the last day of school, Thursday, June 22nd. Be sure to talk to your child about their successes this year. We also ask that you continue to encourage your child to read over the summer. The lazy, hazy days of summer are a great time to pore over the pages of a good book. Joining the library is another suggestion. **Remember that children become better readers by reading!**



Included with your child's report card you will find a supply listing detailing items that your child will need in next year's grade i.e. exercises, pencils, pens, markers etc... This will enable you to take advantage of "Back to School" sales in August. These lists will also be posted on our school webpage.

School Re-Opening – Sept. 2017

For your information school will be reopening for all our Kindergarten to Grade 6 students on Wednesday, **September 6th, 2017.**

Grades 1 – 6 students start at 9:00 am. Doors open at 8:40 am.

Kindergarten students start at 10:00 am.

Bussing will be available for students in Grades 1-6 on the first day; bussing for Kindergarten students does not begin until **Monday, September 11th.**

Summer Holidays / School Closing

School will close for summer holidays on Thursday, June 22nd. All students will be dismissed at 1:00 pm (tentatively).

At this time, we would like to extend sincere thanks to all of you for your fabulous support this year. Your interest and spirit of pursuing the best for our school community has made École Holy Family Elementary a great school!

We wish you and your family a safe and relaxing summer. See you in September!