

Cobequid Consolidated Elementary (Old Barns)

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Happy Halloween

OCTOBER 2017 NEWSLETTER

October is Mi'kmaq History Month. We are proud to have the third largest Aboriginal elementary population in Cobequid family. This month we are practicing safety fire prevention, code blue & black drills, and bus evacuations. We hope to never need to relocate but it is always best to practice drills so if an emergency happens we know what to do.

In November, we will be celebrating our local culture by spending a day at the Millbrook Heritage & Culture Centre.

Thanks to everyone for your support during our Nourish Your Roots Campaign. It was a tremendous success! If you would like to volunteer to box up veggies on the 5th please drop by! Wela'liq aq nmu'Hes! (Thank you and see you soon!)

CCRSB IS HIRING!

CCRSB is hiring Educational Assistants, Noon Hour Supervisors and Bus Drivers. If you are looking for a new career, contact Mrs. McInnis.

DID YOU KNOW...

- ◆ The Firemenettes gave us a donation for the breakfast program
- ◆ We have 182 students!
- ◆ World Teacher Day is Thursday, October 5. The Ontario/Teacher's Union is buying N.S Teachers lunch on this day in support of our teacher.
- ◆ We have 3.5 more EA hours added. Mrs. Mansfield is now full time and we are hiring an additional part time person.

NEW ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT HOURS

Please note that our Administrative Assistant, Mrs. Kolstee is only here from 8:30-2 Monday-Thursday and 8:30-1:30 on Fridays. Please make sure all messages for students are in before these times.

Terry Fox Fun

Congratulations to our school community for a successful Terry Fox Run. This year \$389.05 was raised by our students and staff for cancer research.

Music

Wednesdays & Fridays

Physical Education

Mondays & Thursdays

Popcorn Tues. & Thurs.

Dates to Remember:

- Oct. 2:** Treaty Day observed.
Oct. 5: NYR Boxes Pickup 12-6 pm.
Oct. 5: World Teacher Day
Oct. 5: Dress like a Farmer
Oct. 8-14: Fire Prevention Week
Oct. 9: Thanksgiving (NO SCHOOL)
Oct. 10: Fire Brigade Presentation
Oct. 11 : PTG 6:00pm.
Oct. 14: Open House at Cobequid Fire Hall 10:15 am.
Oct. 18: Code Blue & Code Black
Oct. 20: Picture Day
Oct. TBA: Halloween Dance
Oct. 25: Community Dinner at the Fire hall
Oct. 27: Provincial Conference Day (NO SCHOOL)
Oct. 27: 4-H Dance
Oct. 30: Last day for Math Support
Oct. 31: Orange & Black Day
- Nov. 9:** SAC mtg. 12-12:40
Nov. 9: Cupstacking Challenge
Nov. 13: Remembrance Day. NO SCHOOL
Nov. 17: Assessment & Evaluation Day (NO SCHOOL)
Nov. 27: Grade P, P/1, 1 Millbrook Cultural Centre
Nov. 28: Grade 2, 2/3, 3/4 Millbrook Cultural Centre
Nov. 29: Grade 4/5 and 5 Millbrook Cultural Centre
Nov. 29: Parent Teacher Interviews 5:30-7:30pm
- Dec. 1:** Parent/Teacher AM & PD in PM (NO SCHOOL)
Dec. 7: Christmas Concert at CEC
Dec. 19: Christmas Dinner
Dec. 21: Morning Guest Performance
Dec. 19: Christmas Dinner
Dec. 22-Jan. 2: Christmas Break
Jan. 3: School Resumes



We strive to be a scent-free, allergery safe school.

REMINDERS



- ▶ Supervision does not begin until 8:05 am.
- ▶ We have a "Hands Off" policy for all students at all times.
- ▶ Shoe laces must be tied at all times. If needed, please help your child learn to tie.
- ▶ We have provided equipment and toys for outdoor play. **Please do not bring toys from home.**
- ▶ We ask that you take a few minutes to write your child's name on their clothing so that all items can be returned to their owner.

SCHOOL POSTER WINNERS

The poster winners from the local Fire Brigade poster contest were: Conner S, Lucas, Isaac, Jenna and Kayla S. All posters will be on display at the Open House.

COMMUNITY DINNER

You are invited to attend a community supper at Cobequid Fire Hall, Lower Truro on Wednesday, **October 25 from 4:30-6:00 p.m.** The cost is free (served while supplies last) On the menu is Hearty Fall Beef Stew, Hearty Fall Turkey Stew, salad, roll, tea, coffee, milk and water, dessert- Dutch Apple Cake, The Cobequid Firemenettes are hosting this supper for all those living in our fire brigade area from Truro Heights to Green Oaks.
We hope you will join us!

COBEQUID DISTRICT FIRE BRIGADE OPEN HOUSE

The Cobequid fire brigade is holding an open house on **October 14, 2017.** The fire brigade will be open to the community so they may visually perceive what the fire brigade does for the community.

BREAKFAST PROGRAM



The breakfast program is up and running. If your child has not had breakfast, they can access this service when they come in. On Tuesdays, students will go to their classroom, change their shoes and hang up their belongings and will check in with their teacher to let them know they are here and will head to the gym for cereal. On other days, a Breakfast Bin is placed in the hall. Thank you to Savannah Dixon, our parent volunteer who runs our Tuesday cereal day.

INDIGO ADOPT A SCHOOL PROGRAM

We have been selected as an Indigo Adopt a School. From September 16 to October 8, every dollar raised in-store (Truro Mall location) and online will support our school library. Community members can visit adoptaSchool@indigo.ca and support our school by sharing a story or giving our school a heart.

PROVINCIAL STUDENT ATTENDANCE AND ENGAGEMENT POLICY

RULES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Students are responsible for maintaining regular attendance and arriving at school on time and ready to learn, recognizing that younger students (P-6) rely more heavily on parent/guardian support to maintain regular attendance. Students are also responsible for catching up on any work missed as a result of an absence or absences.

Parents/Guardians are responsible for monitoring and ensuring that their children maintain regular attendance and arrive at school on time, and for communicating with the school regarding their child(ren)'s attendance.

Teachers are responsible for monitoring and recording student attendance and for identifying potential issues related to chronic lateness and/or absenteeism. Teachers will take reasonable steps to promote and support regular attendance and will communicate with students and/or parents/guardians when concerns related to attendance arise.

Principals are responsible for working with teachers, students, parents/guardians, and other as needed, to take reasonable steps to support attendance, including identifying supports in response to student absences and to promote regular attendance. Principals will work with teachers to maintain accurate attendance records. Principals are also responsible for the final decision around loss of credit due to absenteeism and for communicating the decision to the student and their family.

PTG

We are looking for volunteers for the PTG. If you are able to join us, please come to the October meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 11 at 6:30.

BOTTLES—DONATIONS

Our Breakfast Program has an account at the Recycling Depot. (Thank you to all the parents who have been donating their recyclables to us!) Thanks so much to Sandy Baggio who has been organizing this and delivering bottles from Tim Hortons to the depot. Our Grade 5s will be taking this over to earn money for their year end activities. Amy Herring will deliver bottles from Tim Hortons and Mr. Feeley will continue to take the school bottles.