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# February Newsletter

Feb. 3 Feb. 3 Feb. 3 Feb. 3, 5, 10, 12, 19, 24, 26 Feb. 3,10, 24 (advanced only) Feb. 3,10,24 Feb. 4, 6, 11, 13, 18,20, 25,27 Feb. 5,6,12,13,19,20,26,27 Feb. 5, 12 Feb. 6 Feb. 7,14,21,28 Feb. 8 Feb. 9 Feb. 10-14 Feb. 12 Feb. 13 Feb. 14 Feb. 14 Feb. 14 Feb. 14 Feb. 17 Feb. 18 Feb. 19 Feb. 21 Feb. 24-28 Feb. 24 Feb. 26 Feb. 26 Feb. 27 Feb. 28 Feb. 26

Online Teams Call for Parents interested in FI (gr. 186) Term 2 begins for Intensive French (5J and 4/5M)

Girls at Keswick 3:45, Boys at Keswick 6pm

Gr. 3-5 Boys Basketball

Gr. 2-5 Chess Club

Gr. 4/5 Band

Gr. 4-5 Girls Basketball

Gr. 3-5 Drama Practices (see schedule)

Curling for 4/5G and 5J Playground Meeting at 6 pm Popcorn on sale \$2.25

Deadline to Register for Music Festival Boys Basketball Tournament in Woodstock

Staff Appreciation Week

Jr. Chef

District Chess Tournament in Centreville Valentine's Day Parties, Sock Hop at recess

Tentative 100th Day of School

100 Years Old Day-pay \$1 to be in contest Girls Basketball Provincial Tournament

Family Day- Holiday- no school

Playground Calendar Fundraiser begins Curling for 4M and Combined Group

Curling for 4/5 M and 4M

Winter Carnival

WC Activity Day- swim, bowl, sports Curling for 4/5M and Combined Group Skating for KC, K/1S, 4M, 5J, 1C, 1R

Skating for 3/4B,3M,3Morg,4/5M,4/5G,2T,2M, 2Morg

February Birthday Cupcakes Served Pink Shirt Day (orders due the 6th) Grand in Hand Fundraiser ends

March Break ... no school

#### Happy Valentine's Day!

Feb. 28

March 3-7

Valentine's Day is on February 14th. Teachers will hold parties for their classes on that day. Students may exchange valentine cards if they wish. Please remember to only send in treats that are nut free. There will be a sock hop in the gym first recess for those students interested.



#### Pink Shirt Day

We are celebrating Pink Shirt Day on February 26th and are encouraging students to wear a pink shirt that day. If you are interested in purchasing an official Pink Shirt for the occasion, please send in your order by Feb. 6th.

Students will have an opportunity to dress like you are 100 on Feb, 14th (100th Day of School) as part of our monthly dress up activities. There will be a prize for best dressed for those paying \$1. Popcorn will be sold on Fridays until supplies run out. Popcorn can be paid for online by Thursday at 3pm (preferred) or in cash using our paper copy. The cost is \$2.25.

## N.E.S. Newsletter

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#### Chess

We have about 30 grade 2-5 students taking part in chess after school on Mondays. The district tournament is in Centreville on February 13<sup>th</sup>, and we can take two students from each grade. We will hold an in-house tournament on February 3<sup>rd</sup> and continue it on February 10<sup>th</sup> after school to help us select qualifiers. The top two winners from each grade from this tournament will advance to the district level. Please make sure your child is in attendance if they are interested in competing. The 2025 New Brunswick Provincial Chess Tournament will take place on Saturday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at the Delta Hotel in Fredericton. To qualify for the tournament, participants must pass the Scholastic Chess Qualifier, which will be held online on Sunday, March 16<sup>th</sup>.

### **PSSC**

The NES Parent School Support Committee is proud to work collectively toward improved education development and student achievement, while supporting open communication. We meet on a bi-monthly basis, and meetings are open to the public. Our next meeting is scheduled for April 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm in the library. As you may know, February 10th-14th is teacher & staff appreciation week! During this time, we'd love to show our appreciation for all of the wonderful staff at NES by providing them with treats throughout the week! If there are any parents who would like to contribute to this wonderful cause please feel free to contact me by email: kadavidson95@gmail.com or by phone: 1-506-230-2315. We are planning a spa theme with a different spread of food each day. Monday- parfaits, Tuesday- fruits and veggie trays, Wednesday- charcuterie boards of cheese, crackers, meats, grapes etc., Thursday-sub/salad bar, and Friday- chocolate and coffee. Appreciation templates will be sent home as well if students would like to send a special thank you to a staff member. Thank you in advance for your consideration! Please be reminded that NES is a nut safe school. Thanks in advance.

- Kelsey Davidson, PSSC Chair

#### February Birthdays

Happy birthday to our February birthdays this month to Flora Saunders, Ava Pelletier-Landry, Joshua Sherman, Rogan Mabie, Bennett Brawn, James Mercer, Mattea Thibodeau, Amaya DeMerchant-Dunbar and Ms. Michaud. We will deliver birthday cupcakes sponsored by J-Lynn's for February birthdays on February 28<sup>th</sup>.

#### Nackawic-Millville Music Festival 2025

Nackawic-Millville Music Festival is pleased to announce the TENTH annual music festival in which local students and schools may participate. Nackawic-Millville Music Festival will be held April 7-10 using an area church and local schools as venues. The online registration deadline for entering is February 8, 2025. The syllabus for the 2025 Nackawic-Millville Music Festival is currently available on-line at http://www.nbfmf.org/nackawic-music-festival/. Competition will be offered at various levels from beginner to advanced, in the following disciplines: Voice, Piano, Strings, Guitar, Woodwind, Brass, Percussion, Chamber Ensemble, Musical Theatre, Speech Arts, Choral, Band, Orchestra and Dance. Each performance will be adjudicated and receive instruction from a specialist in the discipline. Students, classes, bands, and choirs are encouraged to participate in the festival. If they are interested and/or need assistance with choosing repertoire, please have them contact the school or their music teacher. Original musical scores are required (please speak to the music festival liaison at your school for more info). Your child's class may be participating in the non-competitive classroom singing, choral speech, rhythm band, or dance classes. The festival also offers school, church and community choirs and bands a choice of competitive or non-competitive participation. Once registration is live, entries will be received online at http://www.nbfmf.org/nackawic-music-festival/ and payments can be made via etransfer nackawicmusicfestival@gmail.com (in the note of etransfer, put your child's name/category) or cash delivered to Melissa Lagacy (please contact for further drop off information 506-575-9626). If you have any questions about the syllabus or registration process, please contact Melissa Lagacy at 575-9626 or nackawicmusicfestival@gmail.com. If you would like to be involved in volunteering at NMMF 2025 or supporting the festival, please contact: Melissa Lagacy (contact info above).

#### Holidays

Family Day will take place on Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> and there will be no school for students. March Break runs between March 3<sup>rd</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> this year. We wish everyone an enjoyable holiday and we thank you for your ongoing support. Stay safe everyone!

#### Skating

We will continue our schedule for free skating by class this month. We are always looking for family volunteers to assist with tying skates. If you are interested, please contact the homeroom teacher. All volunteers need to have a volunteer package completed which includes a criminal record check and Policy 701 training before going. This can be picked up in the office. Students will need a helmet and skates to take part. We do have some extra skates at the school we can trade or loan. Just let us know. Skating times:

<u>Feb.26</u>	
8:40-9:40	KC and K/1S
10:40-11:40	5J and 4M
1:20-2:20	1C and 1R
C-L 27	

Feb. 27

8:40-9:40 3/4B, 3M and 3Morg 10:40-11:40 4/5M and 4/5G 1:20-2:20 2T, 2M and 2Morg

#### Basketball

We have appreciated all our coaches who have taken on the responsibility of the basketball program including Rahshida and Derrick Atkinson, Jen Fox and Craig English. Basketball will wrap up the end of this month. Players are asked to make sure athletic fees are paid if not done so already.

#### Milk Jugs for 2/3M

Thanks to everyone's help and support, we have reached our halfway point of two hundred 4-litre milk jugs! We are halfway there! Thank you so much for your support and we would appreciate your continued support to complete our goal of collecting four hundred 4-liter milk jugs. We thank you for taking the time to wash and rinse your jugs with hot, soapy water. It saves us a lot of time in the end if they are given a little shake with some hot water and soap, then rinsed out. You could even leave the caps off after rinsing so they can dry out. Thanks for saving the jugs (and caps) for us!

#### NACKAWIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

We would like to "thank" everyone for the continued community support to our school. Thank you so much for supporting our Breakfast Program, Feed the Hawks Program and our playground initiatives: Shuffleboard group, Nackawic Lions Club, Nicky Waite, donations at Brooks Redemption Center, Joyce Jones, Jackie Sharpe, CUPE 2745 and UNIFOR Local 219. They are much appreciated! For inquires about donating to our school please contact Mrs. Priest at 506-575-6000.

#### Winter Carnival

We will hold our annual winter carnival event the week before March Break. Students participate in dress up days and recess activities to promote school spirit. Each team will gain points for participating and the team with the most points at the end of the week will receive a pizza party. This year students can choose to bowl, swim or go to the field house for sports during our field trip activity day. Information sheets will go home to explain activities in the coming weeks. Our theme this year is Books Come to Life in a World of Ice!

#### Weather

With the colder weather, remember to have children dressed warm for outdoor recess as well as during visits to our outdoor classroom. Labelling ski pants with your child's name would be appreciated as they often get mixed up or lost. If the wind chill is below -15, we will be inside. An extra change of clothes (especially mittens) is also handy in case clothing gets wet.

#### Curling

Grades 4-5 students enjoyed having Rocks and Rings in gym classes and are ready to give it a try on the ice at the Nackawic Curling Club. Students are asked to wear a helmet and return the permission slip and curling club waiver for this opportunity. Indoor sneakers are required for on-ice play.

<u>Feb. 5, 12</u>	
8:40-9:40	4/5G
10:40-11:40	5J
Feb. 19	
8:40-9:40	Combined Group
10:40-11:40	4M
<u>Feb. 21</u>	
8:40-9:40	4/5M
10:40-11:40	4M
<u>Feb. 26</u>	
8:40-9:40	Combined Group
10:40-11:40	4/5M

