

September Newsletter

2016



Important Dates

- Sept 15
Pink Shirt Day
- Sept 19
Home and School Meeting 6:30 p.m.
Everyone welcome
- Sept 22
Open House
6:30 p.m.
- Sept 26
Monthly Assembly
9:00 a.m.
Blue and White Day
- Sept 28
Terry Fox Walk
- Sept 30
NO SCHOOL
In-service Day
- Oct 3
Bus Safety Day
- Oct 6
Picture Day

Dear St. Mary's Families

Welcome to a new school year.

I hope everyone had the opportunity to relax and enjoy some quality time with family and friends over the summer.

The start of a new school year always provides an opportunity to re-establish a focus on learning and good routines.

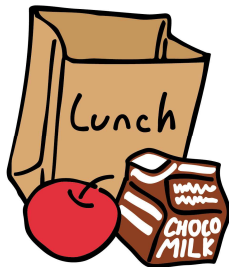
It is important as we start a new school year that we recognize the partnerships we have. This helps every student and the school achieve their highest potential. We recognize that in order to be successful in school, our students need support from both the home and the school. As partners in your child's education, we share the responsibility for their success. We ask that you guide and support your child's learning through-out the year by ensuring that they:

- ◆ Attend school daily and arrive on time, ready for the day.
- ◆ Complete any assignment given by their teacher.
- ◆ Read daily to develop a love for reading and to improve literacy skills.
- ◆ Share school experiences with you so that you are aware of their school life.
- ◆ Inform you if they need additional support in any way.

I look forward to reconnecting and meeting new faces at school events over the next several months.

Mike Pinard,
Principal

School Lunch Program:



Our school lunch program is organized by our Home and School volunteers. The program for this year has not been finalized. Please continue to send your child

with a packed snack and lunch until you receive a notice stating the Lunch Program is ready to start.

Terry Fox Walk:

Please watch



The Terry Fox Foundation

for our students as they participate in the Terry Fox Walk on Wednesday, September 28th at 1:30 p.m. Students will be bringing consent forms home later this month.

REMINDER:
Your Student's
Supply Fee is
due. \$40.00



Breakfast Club: We are very pleased that we were able to have our Breakfast Program available for students on the first day of school.

We are looking for a few more volunteers as our Breakfast Club has become a very popular and a busy spot in the mornings. The time commitment is one morning per week for about 1 hour, 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. If you would like to help, please send us a note or give the school office a telephone call. We would love to hear from you. This is a wonderful time of the day and means so much to our students.

Meeting the Buses : Please remember that Primary and Grade One students must be met at the bus stop at the end of the day. The bus driver will not leave a young child alone at the side of the road. If



arrangements have not been made with the driver, then the child will be brought back to the school and parents will be contacted to pick up the student at the school.

HELPING YOUR CHILD WITH ADHD

Monday mornings, 9:30 am – 11:30 am

Oct 3, 17, 24, 31, & Nov 7

Level 1 Meeting Rm, Soldiers Memorial Hospital, Middleton

or

Wednesday evenings, 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

Jan 18, 25, Feb 1, 8, 15

Chipman Building, 5 Chipman Dr., Kentville

A 5 week course for parents/caregivers of children with ADHD

Please let us know if you would like to attend but transportation is an issue. We will help as much as possible.

There is **no fee** to participate.

For more information, call 1-855-273-7110



Our local Girl Guides of Canada clubs are starting up. The meetings are held at the Aylesford United Church. Sparks & Brownies starting Sept 12 at 6:00 p.m. and Guides/Pathfinders/Rangers Sept 14 6 :00 p.m.



Girl Guides of Canada

For more information 902-341-2040

Town of Berwick Recreation News:

The 15th Annual Registration and Information Session” for all youth groups in Berwick and surrounding area will take place on Friday, Sept. 9th from 6:00 – 8:00 pm and Saturday, Sept. 10th from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon in the Berwick Baptist Church Hall. (use side door entrance).

Sunday, September 18th– Terry Fox Walk, Registration 1 pm, Walk starts at 1:30 from Berwick Anglican Church Hall. (Pledge sheets are available now at the Town Hall).

Sunday, September 25th Walk for ALS. Registration at 10 am, Walk starts at 11 from Centennial Park on Union Street. There will be a barbeque, children’s activities and entertainment.

Helping Anxious Children Course

Wednesdays, 9:30-11:30am

September 14, 21, 28, October 5, & 12, 2016

Greenwood Military Family Resource Centre, 24 School Rd, Greenwood



A 5 week course for parents/caregivers of children with anxiety.

Please let us know if you would like to attend but transportation is an issue.

There is **no fee** to participate. For more information, call 1-855-273-7110