



# October 2017

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# NEWSLETTER

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## Important Dates



- Oct. 11, 12 ~ Gr. 6 Provincial Assessments
- Oct. 16, 17 ~ Gr. 6 Provincial Assessments
- Oct. 25 ~ Fall Fling (6-7:30pm)
- Oct. 26 ~ Student of the Month Assembly (11am)
- Oct. 27 ~ Provincial Conference Day (No Classes)
- Nov. 13 ~ (In Lieu) Remembrance Day (School Closed)
- Nov. 17 ~ Assessment & Evaluation Day (No Classes)
- Nov. 28 ~ Report Cards sent home

### Reminder to Parents regarding Morning Arrival

Mornings are very busy with teachers handling attendance, sorting out after school plans, receiving lunch and snack orders, etc.

Having students arrive late is very disruptive to classroom and school routines and we appreciate your efforts to ensure your child arrives at school by the time the bell rings at 8:10 a.m.

If your child must arrive late, you must come into the office to sign them in and let your child make their own way to their classroom.

If your child needs assistance going up to their classroom, we will help. Having parents escort their child to the classroom after class has started is very disruptive to classrooms. We appreciate your cooperation with this matter.

### Attention Runners!

Our Running Club (for grades 2-6) meets every Thursday after school and will continue to meet until the end of November!

### TATAMAGOUCHE ELEMENTARY IS A NUT AWARE SCHOOL

Within our school community there are students who have a potentially life-threatening allergy (anaphylaxis) to foods, predominantly to peanuts and tree nuts. Tree nuts include almonds, Brazil nuts, cashews, hazelnuts, macadamia nuts, pecans, pine nuts, pistachio nuts, and walnuts.

We feel the best way to reduce the risk of accidental exposure to these students is to respectfully ask for the cooperation of all parents and guardians to avoid sending these products or any products with nuts in the ingredients. This would include granola bars and trail mix. We acknowledge that while identifying products which contain nuts and nut products is getting a little easier, it can still be difficult sifting through the information. That is why we cannot, as a school, be responsible for staff checking labels on foods and snacks.

Your cooperation and vigilance is critical if we are to avoid any serious health issues for those students who are allergic to nuts and nut products. We will continue to remind students through class instructions, assemblies, and other educational opportunities, of the dangers of anaphylaxis and the importance of respecting that we are a 'Nut Aware' school. We would also like to stress to all parents, guardians, and responsible adults at home that talking to your child about these issues, and keeping an eye on the contents of foods, means we address the potential problems at the source, at home.



# Virtues

We are continuing our Virtues program in school to highlight and help children see the value of character, integrity, honesty and humanity as well as other qualities that are so essential in our world today. For many parents, you will recognize this program from last year and we hope to continue teaching the children in our school how important it is to care and respect ourselves and the environment and all of those who live in our community and beyond.

For more information about this project, you can go to [www.virtuesproject.com](http://www.virtuesproject.com)

The virtues we are focusing on the next few weeks are:

- **Joyfulness** (Oct. 2 - Oct. 6): Joyfulness is being filled with happiness. It is a peaceful sense of well-being. Joy is inside us all. It comes from an appreciation for the gifts each day brings. Joy comes when we are doing what we know is right, and when we laugh and see the humor in things. Joy is the inner sense that can carry us through the hard times even when we are feeling very sad.
- **Courtesy** (Oct. 9 - Oct. 13): Courtesy is being polite and having good manners. It is a gracious way of speaking and acting which gives others a feeling of being valued and respected. It is greeting others with respect. "Please," "Thank you," "Excuse me," "Hello," "Goodbye," and "You're welcome" are not just words. They are courteous expressions that show people you respect them and care about them.
- **Creativity** (Oct. 16 - Oct. 20): Creativity is the power of imagination. Creativity is a way to develop your special talents. It is seeing something in a new way, finding a different way to solve a problem. Creativity is using your imagination to bring something new into the world.
- **Helpfulness** (Oct. 23 - Oct. 27): Helpfulness is being of service. It is doing useful things for people, such as things they cannot do for themselves, something they do not have time to do, or just little things that make life easier. It is important to be helpful to ourselves too, by taking care of our bodies. There are times when we need help from others. That is a good time to ask for help.
- **Peacefulness** (Oct. 30 - Nov. 3): Peacefulness is an inner sense of calm. It comes especially in quiet moments of reflection or gratitude. It is getting very quiet and looking at things so you can understand them. Peacefulness is a way of approaching conflict with others so that no one is made wrong. It is being fair to others and yourself. Peace is giving up the love of power for the power of love. With peacefulness, everyone wins.

Winners from the weekly draw on Sept. 15th:

Hunter Legere-Miller for Friendliness  
Marty Margarit for Helpfulness  
Jacob Power-Clough for Dedication  
Kayden Farrell for Perseverance  
Eva Jollymore for Helpfulness  
Ella Purdy for Respect  
Katie Cripps for Kindness  
Malachi Tattrie for Service  
Mataya Veno for Caring  
Kasson Tedford for Kindness



Winners for the monthly canteen voucher draw at the monthly assembly:

Veronica Tattrie, Primary  
Maya Scharf, Gr. 1  
Foster Whitman, Gr. 4  
Maggie Weatherby, Gr. 5

Winners for the monthly hot lunch voucher draw at the monthly assembly:

Madden Langille, Gr. 1  
Cole Forbes, Gr. 2  
Liam Black, Gr. 3  
Adrien Hunt, Gr. 3

Winners from the weekly draw on October 6th:

Ryan Stinson for Cooperation  
Jayden Brown for Helpfulness  
Sarah Crouse for Dedication  
Kayden Farrell for Helpfulness  
Eva Jollymore for Respect  
Sean Myers for Helpfulness  
Adrien Hunt for Cleanliness  
Lyla Baird for Service  
Sawyer Donaldson for Respect  
Emmitt Wall for Perseverance

## Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair was a great success! A huge Thank You to Krista Baker for coordinating, setting up, and running the book fair last month.

We earned over \$130 worth of books for each of our classroom libraries!



# Students of the Month Assembly

## September 2017

### Legion Award Recipients

Legion Award Recipients for each class were as follows:  
Waylon Landry, Primary, for leadership and cooperation.  
Emily Forbes, Primary, for citizenship.  
Ellie MacLeod, Gr. 1, for perseverance.  
Kayden Farrell, Gr. 2, for hard work and determination.  
Izzy McNutt, Gr. 3, for confidence and perseverance.  
Hunter Croft, Gr. 3, for helping others.  
Avery MacCallum, Gr. 3, for creativity, diligence, and excellence.  
Seth Skoke, Gr. 4, for trying hard to raise to the expectations of grade 4.  
Christena MacLean, Gr. 5, for doing her best.  
Ella Ripley, Gr. 6, for accomplishing her work and helping others.

**Class of the Month:**  
Ms. MacIntosh's Gr. 3/4 Class

**Principal's Choice:**  
Ms. Reid's Primary Class

**Clean Classroom:**  
Mrs. Blaikie's Gr. 4/5 Class



Back Row, L to R: Frankie Beck, Laura MacMillan, Dennis Tattrie

Front Row: Waylon Landry, Emily Forbes, Ellie MacLeod, Kayden Farrell, Izzy McNutt, Hunter Croft, Avery MacCallum, Seth Skoke, Christena MacLean, Ella Ripley

### Classroom Recognition

Students who received classroom recognition for the month are as follows:

Ms. Reid's Primary class:  
Alexis Burris  
Kay-Lee Scotland  
Ryan Stinson

Mrs. A. Martin's Gr. 2 class:  
Keegan MacAuley  
Toni Purdy  
Nick Wood

Ms. MacIntosh's Gr. 3/4 class:  
Grayson Heighton, Gr. 3  
Thomas Ross, Gr. 4  
Jaylen Spencer, Gr. 4

Ms. Aitchison's P/1 class:  
Vela Howse, Primary  
Ella Black, Gr. 1  
Madden Langille, Gr. 1

Mrs. B. Martin's Gr. 2/3 class:  
Wyatt Baird, Gr. 2  
Eva Jollymore, Gr. 2

Mrs. Blaikie's Grade 4/5 class:  
Foster Whitman, Gr. 4  
Danney Casson, Gr. 5  
Enna Halverson, Gr. 5

Miss Maybee's Gr. 1 class:  
Oliver Cook  
Taylor Ives  
Emma Keatley

Ms. Laking/Mr. Smith's Gr. 3 class:  
Zach Peterson  
Ella Purdy  
Kean Wall

Mrs. Lockerby's Grade 5 class:  
Cohen Cameron  
Quinton Good  
Maggie Weatherby

Mrs. MacKeen's Grade 6 class:  
Genelyn Hunt  
Owen McNutt  
Grace Veno

### Pizza Certificate Winners

Taylor Spencer, Grade 4  
Miley Patriquin, Grade 5  
Yuri Margarit, Grade 6

Each month at our Student of the Month Assembly, names of three students are drawn for a 12" Grecoworks pizza. These gift certificates are generously donated by the Royal Canadian Legion Branch #64, the Royal Canadian Legion Ladies Auxiliary, and Ocean Lanes Bowling.

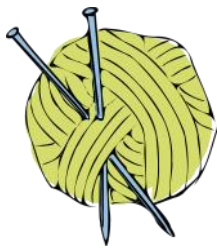
**Congratulations to  
all our winners!**

## Head Lice Reminders

Now that school is back in session and we have already had a few reported cases of head lice, we would like to remind parents of the following procedures.

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) shall:

- a) check their child for head lice or nits on a regular basis;
- b) notify the school (classroom teacher or principal) if their child has head lice;
- c) check other family members or others spending time in the home of a child identified as having head lice;
- d) apply recommended head lice treatment to the child identified as having head lice as outlined in the Department of Health and Wellness pamphlet, How to Prevent, Find and Treat Head Lice, and complete first treatment prior to their child returning to school;
- e) contact the nearest Public Health office if head lice are still present after the second treatment.



The KnitWhits is a knitting club open to students in grades 5 and 6. Mrs. Lockerby will be starting the KnitWhits again in the second term - generally they meet once per week at lunchtime but details will be confirmed later.

The KnitWhits are looking for donations of yarn and needles, if anyone has some to donate!



### Fall Fling

Our Annual Fall Fling will take place on Wednesday, October 25th, from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. Our Fall Fling letter with additional information will be sent home shortly.



## Volunteering

All volunteers in schools within in our School Board must complete a Volunteer Package, which includes a Criminal Records check and Child Abuse Registry form. This only needs to be done once. If you are not a current volunteer and would like to be added to our list, contact the office to pick up a Volunteer Package.

### LOST & FOUND

Our Lost & Found is overflowing again! Please stop by and take a look!

Unclaimed items will be donated to the Clothing Bank.

### Dressing for the Weather

Please ensure that your children dress properly for the cold weather.

Unless it is raining heavily, students are expected to go outside at recess and at noon time each day, as well as first thing in the morning before the bell rings for school to start.

Hats or hoods, mittens, proper footwear, warm coats, and snowpants are essential in cold weather, even if there is no snow!

