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NEWSLETTER April 4, 2012

Easter Wishes

Easter is upon us once again. It means a lot of things to a lot of people. To many of our students it means ten days of no school. The past 3 months has been a difficult stretch for some, and the break is needed. To the parents, I encourage all of you to spend some quality time with your child over the Holidays. I would like to take this time to wish everyone a safe and enjoyable Easter Break.

Upcoming Events

Apr. 5 - Last Day before Easter Break.
-There is no early dismissal
Apr. 16 - First day back from Break (Day 5)
Apr. 23 – Kinderstart classes
May 10 - Level III Graduation.
May 11 – PD Day

Recycling

A reminder that when sending recyclables into the school, please try to separate any glass items from the rest.

Parent Surveys

Many thanks to all the parents who completed and returned the school surveys. Your input is very important in planning for future programming. The results will be available after the Easter Break.

Cafeteria Menu

Chartwell's has updated its daily menu with more and upgraded offerings. The new menu is attached to this e-mail. The menu will go into effect on Monday, April 16, 2012.

Spirit Week

Spirit Week took place at Baltimore School during March and it was a great success with a tremendous amount of involvement from students. There are many staff members to thank for all their time and energy to make the week such a success. Also, thanks to the following parents for helping to serve banana splits during Spirit Week: Leanna Dalton, Wendy O'Brien, Wendy Walsh, Lesa Dalton, Tracy Coady, Judy Walsh and Ann-Marie Carew.

First Day Back After Easter

The first day back after Easter will be Monday, April 16. The day will be Day 5 on our school calendar.

Jr./Sr. High Report Cards

The Grades 7 – Level III students will have their reporting period first week back after the Easter Break. Report cards will be sent home on Thursday, April 19. There will not be a parent/Teacher interview session for this reporting period. If parents wish to contact a particular teacher or teachers, please contact the school at 432-2090 or contact the individual teacher to set up a meeting.

Technology Upgrade

Over the past few months we have worked to upgrade and enhance our technology capacity. After Easter Break, we will have a second fully functional computer lab for our students. This will enable the Primary/Elementary and high school students to each have their own lab.

We have also improved our internal hardware by installing new switches and hubs. We will also be installing wireless routers. This will enable us to become a wireless school.



Paul Johnson

Last week Baltimore School lost a person who has been a tremendous supporter over the years. Mr. Paul Johnson was a major part of Baltimore School life and positively impacted and inspired a great number of students through his extensive involvement in the athletics program. Paul coached and organized basketball, softball and cross-country teams for many years. Many Baltimore graduates have had the opportunity to be influenced by Paul's upbeat and enthusiastic personality. His involvement and dedication was truly appreciated. The Baltimore school community extends our most sincere condolences to Paula and the boys; Darcy, Nathan and Darnell.

Parenting Your Adolescent

This is a group-based program from the Janeway Hospital for parents and caregivers of teenagers who want to help their teen achieve independence and responsibility, skills that will serve them for a lifetime.

Where: Eastern Health Site, Witless Bay

When: Thursday Nights, 7:00 – 9:30

Beginning: April 19, 2012 (for 8 weeks)

**To Register, or for More Information,
Please Call 334-3941**

Deadline to Register: April 13, 2012

Heritage Fair 2012

Congratulations to all of the students who participated in the Heritage Fair. The judges' comments were very positive. Many judges noted that picking a winner was very difficult because of the high quality of the projects. The winners were:

Grade 4

1. Emily Kenny (Irish Dancing)
2. Brooklyn Kenny (Art from Natural Materials)
3. Madison Crane (The Ocean Ranger)

Grade 5

1. Seamus Walsh (Thank God We're Surrounded by Water)
2. Brianna Dalton & Christina Aylward (Dory Days were the Glory Days)
3. Abby Boland (Automotive Transportation Now & Then)

3. Lucas Power (Logging)

Grade 6

1. Jaxon Mayo (All Aboard)
2. Emily Kavanagh & Liam O'Brien (CN Transportation)
3. Nathan Ryan (The Newfoundland Railway 1898)

Grade 7

1. Kaitlyn Lawlor & Olivia O'Brien (Transportation of Yesterday)
2. Kaitlyn Brophy (That Transportation Doesn't Stop Here Anymore)
3. McKenzie Croft & Meaghan Ryan (Bread Making)

Grade 8

1. Shae-Lynn Boland (Weddings Years Ago & Now)
2. Joshua Power (Cougar Flight)
3. Luke Costello & Noah Devine (Aces & Aircrafts)

Grade 9

1. Shannon Chidley (Need for Speed)
2. Jordan Mayo (Newfoundland's Role in WWI)
3. Courtney Kavanagh (Generations of Breadmakers)

Regional Representatives

The three students that were selected to represent the school at the regional fair are:

- *Shannon Chidley (Need for Speed)
- *Kaitlyn Brophy (That Transportation Doesn't Stop Here Anymore)
- *Emily Kenny (Irish Dancing)

The registration forms and more information about the regional competition will be communicated as soon as it is available.

Also a big thanks to the eight judges who came out to help us. Each of these judges arrived at the school early in the morning and stayed through lunch to help adjudicate our projects. We would like to acknowledge their contribution: Annette Mooney, Jerome White, Myra Brophy, Jerome Kenny, Mary Chidley, Regina White, Anne O'Keefe and Margie Clowe.

Afterschool Activities

The afterschool activities program at Baltimore School is having tremendous success. On Tuesdays and Thursdays after school there are over 100 students taking advantage of the activities offered. Activities such as tap dancing, guitar, knitting/crocheting, weight training, old time games, baking/decorating, yoga, karate, badminton, cheerleading, dance, skipping, parachute games and lancers are all being offered and the students are enjoying them immensely. Many thanks to the following community members who are offering their time;



Wendy Walsh, Ruth Walsh, Gerry O'Neill, Donna Dinn, Tommy Dalton, Tracey Horwood, Nikki Hawkins, Andy Perlis, Annette Mooney, Madeline Clowe, Brenda Ryan and Anne O'Keefe. Also great thanks to all the staff members who are helping with an activity; Ms. Moore, Ms. Pike, Ms. Lushman, Ms. Chidley, Ms. Aylward, Ms. Clarke, Ms. Fennelly, Ms. Budgell, Mr. Foley, Mr. Finn, Mr. Matchem, Ms. Kavanagh and Mr. Pender.

[CLICK HERE](#) to VIEW PICTURES of Heritage Winners and After School Activities

PI Day and Apple Day Report

On March 14th Baltimore School celebrated PI Day and Apple Day. On PI Day, fresh apple pie and ice cream was offered to all students and staff along with many activities that all students participated in throughout the day, culminating in the pieing of many teachers. Many thanks to Ms. Lawlor, Ms. Mayo and Ms. Chidley for their hard work with these activities. Many thanks also to all the parents that came in to serve.

Varsity Sports

The Varsity Committee would like to congratulate the Grade 7 Girls basketball team on playing a wonderful Provincial tournament on March 2-4 in Clarendville. The girls lost in the cross-over by only 2 baskets and played a great tournament. We would also like to congratulate the Girls and Boys Grade 8 teams on their Provincials on March 9-11. The girls played in Placentia, while the boys were at Leary's Brook in St. John's. Both teams played a great tournament and represented our school well. A Huge Thank you goes out to the coaches of these teams; Gr. 7 Girls: Paula Johnson & Rebecca Fennelly, Gr. 8 Girls: Tracy Horwood, & Gr. 8 Boys: Liam Walsh & Gladys Hayden, who without your time & dedication our children would not have the opportunity to participate in such events!