

# Safe Grad Christmas Merchandise Bingo

Special thanks to the Sunny Corner Lions Club for hosting our Safe Grad Merchandise Bingo. A huge thanks to the community members who ventured out on a snowy Sunday to support our local graduation class.



## Important Dates

- December 2 - Home & School Meeting @ 6:30
- December 12 - Christmas Formal
- December 15 - MADD Canada Presentation
- December 16 - Cobra Care Items Due
- December 17 - Delivery of Christmas Donations
- December 18 - Christmas Dinner for Students (No Cost)
- December 19 - Last Day before Christmas Break
- January 6 - First Day for Students after Break

## ROTARY INTERACT LOTTO WINNER



**Theresa Duffy - Winner of \$1,000 Rotary Lotto**  
**Mrs. Chantal MacDonald - Rotary Interact Director**  
**Denver Matchett - Ticket Seller**



# North & South Esk Regional

**MERRY CHRISTMAS** December 2014



This holiday season, NSER will be trying something new. We are sponsoring four local organizations: Miramichi Community Food Bank, Miramichi Emergency Centre for Women, Miramichi Youth House, and SPCA. All of the organizations rely on the kindness and charity of others to provide services to those in need in our community.

Each organization has a Wish List and our goal is to provide them with some of the items they need to support those they serve. Many items are things you can find in your own home: newspapers, gently used clothing, Canadian Tire money, blankets, soup. Some are small items you could buy to make a big impact: toothbrushes, paper towel, garbage bags, cat food. We can also support these organizations with a donation of money or the purchase of gift cards. We are calling the project "Cobras Care this Christmas". Please help us help those who need help this Christmas.

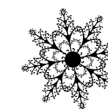
Donations will be accepted at the school until Tuesday, December 16th. For more information or a complete list of donations needed please visit the school website or contact the school for details.



Miramichi Emergency Centre for Women

## Christmas Formal

December 12th 8:30 - 11:00



All parents will have an opportunity to do picture taking from 7:30 - 8:30 in the cafeteria. At 8:30 we will ask everyone to leave so the dance can begin.

Graduates will also be going to Metepenagiag Lodge from 6:00 - 7:30 for pictures and snacks. Parents of grads are asked to bring some finger foods to the lodge for the graduates.



Mr. Mutch will be instructing all students at NSER in beginner programming/coding. Last year, 15 million students tried an Hour of Code in one week. NSER will join students all over the world for an

Hour of Code during Computer Science Education Week, December 8-14 aiming for 100 million students worldwide to do an Hour of Code by the end of 2014! Check out more at <http://hourofcode.com>

**Artist-in-Residency Grant** - Our Fine Arts 110 class, taught by Mrs. MacDonald, applied for and received a NB Artist-in-Residency grant this year! This grant allows schools to partner with a local artist on a specific art project. Our class will be partnering with local potter, Geraldine Allain, to create their own pieces of pottery using our school's kiln! We are very excited to be chosen for this opportunity!

Home & School Meeting · Tuesday, December 2 @ 6:30 pm · Everyone Welcome to Attend

# We Day Atlantic

Rotary Interact and We School students travelled last week to join with 8000 other students and educators in Halifax at We Day 2014. We Day is an annual series of stadium-sized events, bringing together world-renowned speakers and performers—from Shawn Desman and Kardinal Offishal to Amanda Lindhout and Kweku Mandela—with thousands of youth to kick-start a year of action through We Act. You can't buy a ticket to We Day—you earn it by taking on one local and one global action. Over the past year our middle and high school students have collected food for our local food bank, sold baked goods, ran variety shows, had spaghetti dinners, sold 50/50 tickets, packed shoe boxes and ran several other fundraisers to help aid local and global initiatives, all in an attempt to make the world a better place.

This trip we also partner with the Soul's Harbour Rescue Mission in Halifax North. Students packed hygiene packs to hand out to the street level people of Halifax's roughest areas. We were able to visit the mission and take a guided tour of some of these struggling areas. Students and leaders were impacted by the harsh realities of a city so close to home. It inspired us all the more to become change-makers.

It was an incredible day filled with great music, motivational messages, and a call to Act! Thank you to everyone who has contributed to our causes over the past year. If you would like to get involved, please talk to Mr. Linkletter, Mrs. Matchett, or Mrs. MacDonald. We would love to help you make a difference!



## Tell Them from Me Survey

During the first week of December students will be given the opportunity to complete a survey that gives the school direction on where to go in the following year. We appreciate the data that students give us, this data drives everything from academics, behaviours, sports, clubs, etc. So we encourage students to answer all questions and take time thinking about each answer.



Grade 7 Girls will be getting their second vaccination of Gardasil on December 11th

**madd** Mothers against Drunk Driving will be

presenting a powerful dramatization about the tragic consequences of impaired driving seen through the eyes of a young man whose family and friends are affected when his brother makes the terrible decision to drive impaired. The video ends with testimonials from real-life victims who share their heartbreaking stories with the audience. MADD Canada's School Assembly Program targets students in grades 7 through 12. This presentation is on Monday, December 15th at 9:00 am.

Exam Week will be January 19-23, 2015.  
Turn around date are January 26 & 27th.

An exam schedule will be included in the January Newsletter

## Christmas Dinner



The staff will be once again providing a Christmas dinner for all students free of charge on Thursday, December 18th.

The staff donates food, prepares it and serves it to our students. It is something that the staff wants to do for the students to make sure everyone in our building has the opportunity to enjoy a Christmas dinner!

## Cell Phones

Students are permitted to use cell phones while at school, however, they are not to be used during instructional hours. Teachers may confiscate a phone until the end of the day should a student be using them during instructional time.

As parents and guardians, please be aware of this when you are texting them. If it is something they need to know asap then contact the office and we will get the message to them.



As we are well under way here at NSER we've noticed that many students are not keeping up with their academics, whether it's missing assignments, homework not completed, etc. School work is priority one.

## All Doors Locked



All doors at NSER will be locked at 8:30 am. All students and visitors must buzz in after that time. We have a new security system at the front doors. When you arrive at NSER, you will see a silver intercom box on the far left of the main doors. Just press the button and someone will buzz you into the school. There are brief times during the day when there is no one in the office to buzz in. Visitors may want to call ahead.

Students will not be able to play sports or participate in extra-curricular activities if they cannot keep up on their academics. I have meet with students to discuss what they have owing. If you are not sure of where your child is as far as work please contact the school or check the teacher website. All staff have emails and have no problem responding to your requests. I appreciate your support with this initiative.

Dean Mutch, Principal