



# North & South Esk Regional



December 2009

## Greetings from the Staff

Thank you to all parents / guardians for your support throughout the year. We appreciate your involvement in the educational journey of your children. The staff at NSER is committed to providing your children with an educational experience that will equip them for success in the 21st Century.

We wish you a Merry Christmas and a joyous and prosperous New Year.



## ADOPT A FAMILY FOR CHRISTMAS



NSER's Students and Staff are sponsoring seven Christmas Families as part of the Early Intervention Program on the Miramichi "Adopt-a-Family". A notice with the families' wishes has sent to each homeroom. We are looking forward to receiving any donations for our families over the next 2 weeks. If you would like specific information concerning your child's family please contact the school.

**Grade 7 Family** - 1 Adult (Mom - age 23) / 1 Child (Boy - age 2)

**Grade 8 Family** - 2 Adults (Dad - age 24 / Mom - age 25) / 3 Children (Boy - age 1 , Boy - age 3, Girl - age 2)

**Grade 9 Family** - 1 Adult (Mom) / 1 Child (Boy - age 3)

**Grade 10 Family** - 2 Adults (Dad & Mom) / 3 Children (Boy - age 13, Girl - age 11, Boy - age 1 ½)

**Grade 11 Family** - 1 Adult (Mom - age 39) / 2 Children (Girl - age 19, Girl - age 4)

**Grade 12 Family** - 2 Adults (Dad & Mom) / 2 Children (Boy - age 4, Boy - age 7)

**Staff Family** - 2 Adults (Dad - age 29 / Mom - age 27) / 2 Children (Girl - age 2, Girl - age 4)

If you are interested in helping support these families by buying gifts or donating funds to this project please contact the school at 836-7000.



## Christmas Formal

The Formal will be held at the school on Friday, December 4th from 8:00 pm to 11:00 pm

## OLYMPIC TORCH



Friday, November 27<sup>th</sup> 120 students traveled to James M. Hill high school for what may be a once in a lifetime experience. The Olympic torch passed through Miramichi, and the students of NSER had the opportunity to attend the ceremony.

The day began with live entertainers from the Miramichi, including local school choirs. One elementary group sang "I Gotta Feeling", which really excited the spectators, an estimated 4000, and raised the anticipation for the arrival of the torch to an all time high. The two main sponsors, Coca Cola and RBC, also had entertainers: professional acrobats and drummers really amazed the crowd.

As students approached the track, Canada flags were passed out, and they had the opportunity to purchase Official Olympic clothing and souvenirs. People crowded around the track as Mark Noel, a teacher in the District 16, carried the torch to the stage where the fire was lit. Despite inclement weather, the community celebrated with great enthusiasm and National pride. It will be a day Miramichers never forget.

## BASKETBALL



Basketball season is well underway here at NSER. We have completed try-outs and teams have been selected. After a year's absence, the Senior High Boys Basketball team is running again under the guidance of coach Mrs. Sherry Manderville and Assistant Coach Mr. Robert Hambrook. The Senior High Girls Basketball team is being coached by Mr. Mitchell Linkletter and Assistant Coach Mr. Tracey Somers.

Middle school basketball does not start until January 2010. Anyone interested in coaching our Middle school basketball teams are asked to please contact the school.

Best of luck to all of our basketball squads this year.

The Girls BBAIII have home games scheduled for December 5th against Boisetown and December 9th against Blackville - Come out and support our girls!!

## PARENT SURVEY

Each student received a Parent Survey last week. We are asking that survey's are returned to the school by Friday, December 4th.

Parents who have more than one child in the school may complete a questionnaire for each child or may complete only one. If you have any questions please contact the school at 836-7000.

## CHRISTMAS DINNER



Will be available for all students on Thursday, December 10th for a cost of \$5.95

### **Dinner includes the following:**

Drink (250 ml milk / juice), Dinner Roll, Roast Turkey, Cranberry Sauce, Dressing, Mashed Potatoes, Vegetables, Gravy and Dessert (cookie or apple crumble).

## HOME & SCHOOL

NSER is reviving the Home & School Committee this year. Our membership drive has been ongoing for the last few weeks with a pizza party as the prize for the NSER House that brings in the most new members. New membership costs \$8 for two parents, \$5 for one parent, or \$1 if you are currently a member of another Home & School Committee. The Home & School Committee welcomes any new members and looks forward to making this year a memorable one at NSER.

## Important Dates to Remember

December 4 - H1N1 Public Clinic (4:00 pm - 8:00 pm)  
December 4 - Christmas Formal (8:00 pm - 11:00 pm)  
December 17 - Collection of items for Christmas Adopt A Family  
December 18 - Last Day of classes before Christmas Break  
January 4 - Curriculum Implementation Day - No School  
January 5 - Curriculum Implementation Day - No School  
January 25-28 - Semester 1 Exams  
January 29 - Turn-Around Day - No School  
March 1-5 - March Break - No School  
April 2 - Good Friday - No School  
April 5 - Easter Monday - No School  
April 8 - Parent Teacher (Evening)  
April 9 - Parent Teacher / PD - No School  
May 6 - Branch 1608 NBTA / AGM - No School  
May 7 - Subject Council - No School  
May 24 - Victoria Day - No School  
June 14-17 - Semester II Exams  
June 18 - Prom  
June 20 - Baccalaureate / Graduation Banquet  
June 24 - Graduation / Safe Grad



## SKATING AND AFTER SCHOOL HOCKEY

NSER has been able to acquire three hours of ice time per week at the Sunny Corner Arena. Students in grades 8, 9, and 10 will be going skating as part of their Physical Education program. Skating will take place on Wednesdays from 8:30-9:30 am and 1:00 to 2:00 pm. Students are reminded to bring skates, a helmet, and dress appropriately.



Mr. Wilson and Mr. Silliker will also be offering an after school hockey program on Thursdays from 3:30-4:30pm. Players must wear full gear, and there will be no body contact. This is open to students in grades 9-12.

## NSER WEBSITE

On November 2, 2009, NSER launched its new website. District 16 has taken the initiative to create similarly styled web pages for all schools. NSER is excited to begin this new venture. Parents and Students are encouraged to visit the website regularly.

<http://nser.nbed.nb.ca>

## SYNREVOICE

NSER will utilize Synrevoice this year to inform parents about school announcements and when students have missed classes. Please check your phone regularly for messages from the school.

# MERRY CHRISTMAS

