

# N. S. E. R. NEWS

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## Christmas Families Campaign

North & South Esk Regional High School did it again! The “Christmas Families Campaign” was another great success for the students and staff of N. S. E. R. Every year, the New Brunswick Early Childhood Intervention Program helps unfortunate families have the Christmas experience they deserve. Everyone at NSER did a great job raising approximately \$ 7,213.00. Our school sponsored seven families and each family received food, toys, clothing, and home essentials.

Jane Wood, a representative of the New Brunswick Early Childhood Intervention Program, showed her appreciation while she collected the “Christmas Family” gifts in the NSER gymnasium on December 21. The students and staff of NSER were excited about being given the opportunity to share the Christmas spirit with others!



## Christmas Families Draw



We would like to thank everyone who purchased tickets for the “Christmas Sleigh”. Congratulations to Karen Bjurstrom who was the winner of the Sleigh.

## Grade 9 English Language Arts Provincial Assessment/ Reassessment

On January 20 and 21, 2011 all grade 9 students will be writing the English Language Provincial Assessment. Students in grades 11 and 12 who were previously unsuccessful on any component are writing on these days. This Provincial Assessment/Reassessment is comprised of three components of varying length: one reading component and two writing components. To graduate with a New Brunswick high school diploma, students must have successful achievement on both the reading and writing components of this assessment. As with any other examination or assessment, we are encouraging our students to do their best on this assessment and to consider the importance of completing all components on the scheduled day. Students who miss any part of the assessment must provide a written medical excuse to the school, and will be expected to complete any missed components as soon as possible. We hope that you take the time to discuss the importance of this assessment with your child and to encourage them to make every effort to be successful. If you have any questions about this assessment, please feel free to contact Miss Murphy or Mrs. Ward-Cain at the school.

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## HOW TO PREPARE FOR EXAMS

With exams fast approaching, now is the time to get organized and think about how you are going to prepare for exams. Here are several tips to help make studying and writing exams as stress-free as possible:

### Before Exams:

- **Get organized:** Gather up all of your class notes, tests, etc. and organize all your materials into a logical order.
- **Start studying early:** It's very difficult to understand your material if you are trying to cram an entire semester's worth of information into one study period.
- **Hide out:** Set aside a space for studying, a place free of interruptions and where you can spread out your materials.
- **Use your teacher:** Ask your teacher about review questions and exam format or with questions you have while reviewing.

### Writing Exams:

- **Be well rested.** You might be tempted to cram the night before, but if you are tired you may have difficulty remembering your material; also, you should eat a balanced breakfast the morning of your exam.
- **Be prepared:** Remember to take any materials you might need with you to your exam: pens/pencils, calculators, loose-leaf, dictionary, etc.
- **Read:** Read each question carefully and be certain that you understand what the question is asking before you begin to write; ask the teacher questions during the exam for clarification.
- **Plan your time:** Look at the values of the questions; if you are spending too much time on a particular question, move on. You can always go back and add more information once you've completed all of the questions you can.

**Above all, remember to stay calm, to relax, and to do the best you can. Good luck!**

## IMPORTANT DATES

January 10 - CI Day - No School

January 11 - First Day Back to School for Students

January 20 - Provincial Assessments

January 24 – 27 - Exams

January 28 & 31 - Turn Around Days

February 1 - Semester 2 Begins; Report Cards Issued

February 28- March 4 - Winter Carnival

March 1 - Winter Carnival Pageant

March 2 - Dance (Middle School: 7:00-9:00 p.m.; High School: 8:00-11:00 p.m.)

March 7– 11 - March Break

March 31 - Curriculum Implementation Day (No Classes)



<b>January 24, 2011</b>		
8:45 - 10:45	Housing & Design 110	Room 149
8:45 - 10:45	Intro to Accounting 120	Room 238
8:45 - 10:45	Physical Science 10	Room 212
<b>Afternoon</b>		
12:45 - 2:45	English 112A	Room CAF
12:45 - 2:45	English 112B	Room CAF
<b>January 25, 2011</b>		
8:45 - 11:45	Intro to HS Math 9G/9M	Room CAF
8:45 - 11:45	Math Modelling 10H/10S	Room CAF
8:45 - 11:45	Geo. & Application 112A	Room 211
8:45 - 11:45	Geo. & Application 112B	Room 212
8:45 - 10:45	English 122	Room 179
<b>January 26, 2011</b>		
8:45 - 10:45	Framing & Sheathing 110	Room 149
8:45 - 10:45	Modern History 112	Room 111
8:45 - 10:45	Natural Science 9M	Room 212
8:45 - 10:45	English 113	Room 180
8:45 - 10:45	Trig & 3 Space 122	Room 211
<b>Afternoon</b>		
12:45 - 2:45	Canadian Identity 9	Room 111
12:45 - 2:45	English 10	Room CAF
12:45 - 2:45	Culinary Tech. 110	Room 103
12:45 - 2:45	Chemistry 112	Room 211
<b>January 27, 2011</b>		
8:45 - 10:45	Auto Electric 120	Room 149
8:45 - 10:45	Info Tech 110	Room 225
8:45 - 10:45	Ancient Medieval History 10	Room 111
8:45 - 10:45	Biology 11A/11B	Room CAF

## Important Exam Information for Students and Parents

All students are reminded to check the exam schedule for exam times and locations.

In case of inclement weather, students are asked to take all necessary materials home with them on their last full day of classes.

All Students are expected to complete exams in the time scheduled.

No student will be excused from writing an exam without medical documentation.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the school at 836-7000.

Thank you for your support, and best of luck to all students on their exams.



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9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	<b>CI DAY No School</b>	<b>Back to School</b>				
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
				<b>Provincial Assessment Grade 9</b>	<b>Provincial Assessment Grade 9</b>	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
	<b>Exam Week</b>				<b>Turn Around Day</b>	
30	31					
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