

# North & South Esk Regional

## Christmas Greetings!

We have many exciting things happening here in the next three weeks, Formal, Christmas Families and Christmas Dinner just to name a few. As always the students are gearing up for all these events as we all count down the days to Christmas.

I just want to say thank you for all you have done for the school this term and I want to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Dean Mutch, Principal





I was recently at a meeting in Moncton with a group of principals. The discussion of sports fees and grad fees came up. Grad fees at most of the schools were \$150 and that didn't give the graduate anything other than their name in the program. Sports fees ranged from \$1300 for Sr. Boys Basketball to \$250 for soccer. So I thought I would give you folks an idea of where your \$100 sports fee goes to. Here is a snapshot for Sr. Girls Soccer. We had 18 girls at \$100 each - \$1800 to get us through the season. Our expenses were Equipment (\$248.76), NBIAA Fees (\$163.25); Referees (\$275); and Tournament Fees (\$1,112.99). So in the end we broke even. Many of our teams go in the hole by about \$100 and the school has to pick up that extra cost which in turn makes us have to up the fees for the following year. It is my goal at NSER to make sure that we breakeven. I am not looking to make money off my teams but I have to make sure that the teams can cover their costs.

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On November 21<sup>st</sup>, NSER hosted the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Cobra Cup. The teachers were confident in holding on to the cup with a solid line up and Mr. Bell back in -between the pipes. The staff came out firing but this graduation class wasn't about to give up that easily. In the end the grads took the cup with an 11-8 victory. Enjoy it grads it will be back in the staff room this time next year!

We would like to thank everyone for coming out to support our staff and students. The Students raised \$1500 for Safe Grad!



Christmas Families

NSER will be continuing our Christmas Family tradition. On Dec. 18<sup>th</sup> we will be presenting gifts to five families in the Miramichi area.

Over the next 3 weeks all grades will be fundraising and collecting gifts for their Christmas Families. Their homeroom teacher has a list of items that each family need. Should you wish to donate an item or funds please contact the school.

## **Christmas Dinner**

The staff will be once again providing a Christmas dinner for all students free of charge on Wednesday, 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!

# Christmas Formal & Middle School Christmas Social

**Friday, December 13th** The Middle School students will be invited to a Christmas Social from 6:00 - 8:00 pm for a cost of \$5.00 each. Students in Grade 9-12 will be holding their annual Christmas Formal from 8:30 - 10:30 pm for a cost of \$10.00 each. Tickets for both events will be on sale at lunch time in the lobby.

### **Captain Fizzix!**

Has a teacher ever allowed you to bring a 'cheat sheet' into an exam or test?

Many students have a difficult time with Physics courses because of the overwhelming number of equations that need to be used, sometimes three or four in combination, to arrive at a solution. What if you had all those equations at hand? Or better still, upside down on the front of your shirt?

Mr. Hendry's Grade 11/12 Physics students have purchased a "Cheat Shirt" which is not only stylish, but functional. It has the majority of the equations they might encounter in the course of studying Physics 11 and 12 upside down on the front of the shirt. If they need any one of them they can simply look down and read it from the shirt. Being successful in Physics means knowing how to apply the formula to the situation they encounter, rather than simply rote memorization of some obscure equations.

As an added bonus, a colleague of Mr. Hendry's from the other side of the province makes use of a character known as "*Captain Fizzix*" in his tests. Rebecca Dunnett has brought Captain Fizzix to life on the back of the shirts worn by the class. So, if you want to be one of the cool kids, take Physics in Gr 11 and 12!



#### **Important Dates**

- December 13 Christmas Social & Formal
- December 18 Christmas Families Pick Up
- December 18 Christmas Dinner for Students
- December 20 Last Day before Christmas Break
- January 7 First Day for Students after Christmas Break
- January 20-24 Exam Week

#### January 27,28 - Turn Around Days - No School (Gr 9-12)

# Safe Grad Cook Books

The Safe Grad class has prepared a cook book and they are on sale in the school office for a cost of \$10.

SAFE GRAD 2014 COOKBOOK

January Exams will take place during the week of January 20-24. A schedule will be included in the January Newsletter.

