

WOLFVILLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



~ Summer 2016 Update ~

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Another successful year has come and gone and on behalf of the entire staff we wish you a wonderful summer holiday with family and friends!

By the time you return in the fall you will be entering our newly renovated spaces, an exciting time for all and as you will see it was worth the wait and disruption. Also, over the summer the old sections of the school will be removed and new construction begun. Be sure to visit the school on September 2 from 9:30-11:30 to view class lists and visit classrooms.

We look forward to welcoming back current and new students. Have a safe and happy summer!

Steve Keddy, Principal

SCHOOL NEWS

Summer Office Hours

The school office will be open June 30 and July 2-7. The office will re-open on August 29; hours of operation are 8:00 a.m.—3:30 p.m.

School Open House / Class Lists

Open House will take place on Friday, September 2, 9:30-11:30 a.m. for any families that wish to visit the school before it opens. As some of our students may be a bit anxious about returning to the renovated area of the school they will have an opportunity to visit on this day. Class lists will also be posted.

Kitchen Services—2016-2017

Due to the lack of suitable space we regret to inform families that we will not be able to offer a kitchen program next school year. Our intention is to reopen for the 2017-18 school year when renovations are complete and the new cafeteria and kitchen spaces are ready. In 2016-2017 we will offer a similar “grab and go” breakfast program each morning. We will have a few basics on hand in order to provide emergency lunches for any student in need. Please keep in mind we do not have staff hired to prepare and provide lunches. On occasion we may have a lunch brought in for sale and will let families know well in advance of this happening. Thank you to Kathy Kenny for

providing us with a great lunch program and we look forward to reopening and having Kathy back with us. Sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.

Student Fees—2016-2017 School Year

Fees for the 2016-2017 school year are as follows:

Primary to Grade 2—\$40.00 (includes \$35 for supplies and \$5 for the fine arts program)

Grades 3-5—\$45 (includes the fine arts program and Chromebook rental)

Grades 6-8—\$25 (includes fine arts program, Chromebook and lock rental). A family rate of \$40 is offered for Gr. 6-8.

Staffing Update

We will have a few changes in staff next school year. Mr. Dalcourt will be leaving and has secured a vacant position teaching Technology Education in the western end of the Board at Pine Ridge Middle School, Coldbrook School and Berwick School. Ms. Curtis will also be leaving us after many years and has also accepted a vacant position at Pine Ridge Middle School. We thank Charmedie Leighton for filling in as our Guidance Counsellor for much of the year and wish her all the best as she leaves this summer to teach in Thailand. We are disappointed to lose each of these valuable teachers as well as educational assistant Josh MacDonnell and wish them all the best. Over the next few weeks we will be hiring for a replacement for Tina Dale first term and Heather Fulton second term. We will also be hiring a 63% Behavior Intervention Resource Teacher and a Guidance Counsellor for September–October until Crystal Watt returns to her position. A number of staff have changes in assignment but remain at the school.

New Books for Wolfville School Library

We have just registered with Indigo’s Adopt a School Library program in order to get new books for the new library in the fall. Through this program, we as a school community will have several fundraisers which will result in Indigo sponsoring us with a large number of books chosen by us. The more funds we raise, the more they give. There will be a special web page set up and we will be asking you to go online to vote, during a three week period, for our school to be adopted. We will send more information in September.

Avondale Construction—Thanks

Scott Whitehead, Site Supervisor Avondale Construction, wishes to pass on his thanks to all students, staff and families for your patience and cooperation this past year. He has said on numerous occasions that the success of this project was hugely dependent on your understanding and willingness to work with the company and made the entire process a positive one.

Wolfville School Website

Remember to check the school website often for important dates, newsletters, renovations news and much more at www.wolfville.ednet.ns.ca.

HOME AND SCHOOL / SAC

The Home & School would like to thank the following for their donations to our Fun Fair:

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| Tim Hortons | Just Us |
| Shoppers Drug Mart | Inquisitive Toy Company |
| Cochrane's Pharmasave | Great Valley Juices |
| Dooly's | Kelly's Kitchen |
| Noggins | Carl's Independent Grocer |
| Joe's Food Emporium | Acadia University |
| Ken-Wo Golf Club | Muddy's |
| Casa Bella | Reid's Meats |
| T.A.N. | |

We would also like to thank all the parents and students who volunteered, and a special thanks to the Clarity Crew, who once again did an amazing job!

Home and School would like to encourage parents/guardians to get involved next year. The first meeting date is set for Wednesday, September 21st and there will be positions available including parent reps, secretary and treasurer.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Town of Wolfville

Summer programs are planned including the Canada Day celebration in Willow Park (July 1) and Mud Creek Days (July 22-24). Check out the Town of Wolfville website at www.wolfville.ca for more information. After-school programs for next year are also in the works. To participate in an online survey to help the Town develop the best afterschool programs possible, please go to wolfville.ca/recreation-programs.html.

Nourish Your Roots

This December the Nourish Your Roots Healthy School Fundraiser is coming to our school! Support our school and local farmers by selling boxes filled with vegetables and fruit fresh from the farm. This fundraiser will promote local food and healthy eating as well as raise funds

to support food related health promotion activities at our school. (An initiative of Nourish Nova Scotia, nourishns.ca/nourish-your-roots).

Devour! The Food Film Fest

What is going on in your home, school or community around food? Tell us your food story using film and video. Devour! The Film Food Fest and Nourish Nova Scotia invite children and youth of all ages to make a short film about food. The best will be screened at Devour! Food Film Fest this coming November and a \$500 prize will be awarded to the overall winner to support a healthy eating program or initiative in your school/community. This year's theme is Food Literacy. Films should be a maximum of three minutes in length. Deadline for submissions is October 21, 2016. For more information email info@nourishns.ca.

Wolfville Library CAP Programs for Kids

The Wolfville Library CAP is running a series of programs for 7 to 12 year olds over the summer. A fun way to learn about circuits and electronics, robotics, 3D art and photography. Pre-registration is required. For more information please go to valleylibrary.ca or call the library at 902-542-5760. Dates/times TBA.

A Summer of Trains!

The Wolfville Historic Society is putting on A Summer of Trains! with films, talks, an exhibit, a Model Railway Weekend, Classic Train Comedy "The General" with Buster Keaton, and more. Go to summeroftrainswolfville.ca for more information.

Community Support

Throughout the year Wolfville School has been supported in various ways by many local businesses, organizations and service groups. We would like to thank all of these people for their generous contributions to our school.

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY!

LOOKING AHEAD — IMPORTANT DATES	
August/September 2016	
August 29	School Office Opens
September 2	Open House / Class Lists Posted, 9:30-11:30 am
September 7	First Day for Students
September 15	Grades P-5 Photo Day
September 15	Parent Orientation P-8, 6:30-7:30 pm
September 16	Grades 6-8 Photo Day
September 23	Early Dismissal
September 30	Regional Inservice Day – No School for Students

