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IMPORTANT DATES TO NOTE:

- ✓ **Term 2 report cards** will be sent home **Friday, March 12th** . Parent -teacher meetings are scheduled for Thursday March 18th (6:30 - 8:30 p.m.) and Friday 19th (8:40 - 12:00 p.m.). Please call to book an appointment time.
- ✓ Term 2 Public Speaking : **WILL NOT** be held on Feb. 27th as earlier communicated, but will occur instead on March 18th . As usual, there will be two divisions, junior and senior. The topic (broad in scope) will be selected by each class very soon and all students are expected to participate at their class level.
- ✓ No school for students on **Monday March 15th , 2004.**

RECENT STUDENT “WAY TO GO’S”

The following items were published in the daily morning bulletin. The intention is to celebrate the many wonderful student actions and deeds that occur in and outside our school. **We have much to be proud of !**

- ☺ **‘Battle of The Brains’ where groups of adults determine who knows the answers to skill testing questions. SO CLOSE!** At the half time segment on Friday 13th, your middle school team was in the lead competing against 32 other teams in a trivia/skill testing contest. At the final buzzer though, our school’s team finished behind Bishop White staff by 1 point to capture second place. The best school showing to date. Congratulations to Mr. Organ, Ms. Hawkins, Mr. Pynn, Mr. Nicholl, Mr. Baker, and Ms. Avery. Clarendville Middle School is **braced to bring home the hardware** next year. Great stuff.
- ☺ 1st ever Middle School Chess Tournament has been completed. Congratulations to **Brandon Smith** on becoming the undisputed school champ. Way to Go Brandon! Mr. Pardy is still practising and a re-match is in the near future!
- ☺ Congratulations to our local **ATOM hockey teams**. Atom A team won the gold medal on Saturday Feb. 14th at our stadium while our Atom B team was deemed the most sportsmanlike team. Way to go middle school hockey players!!
- ☺ Thank-you to Phillip Barrett for helping Mr. Pardy set-up the tool bar on his computer. Great job Phillip!
- ☺ **Internet Safety Parent** session held Tuesday, Feb17th. Thank-you to Cpl. Allan, Ms. Stanford and Mr. Mills for their participation. Parents of the following students were in attendance : **Victoria Power; Harry Drover ; Rebecca Rideout; Melissa O’Keefe; Nicholas Brown; Michelle White; Justin Borja; Keiran Vasanthan; Shane & Jessica Smith; Katie Hawkins; and Megan Perry.** *See section in newsletter.*
- ☺ **Way to go to the Grade 6 Band:** Ms. Winsor says “What a great bunch of musicians!”
- ☺ **Way to go: to Megan Perry** for the great deeds committed and heard about at the office.
- ☺ Hot Meal Parents Send in ‘Way To Go’: Mrs. Oldford and Mrs. Parsons would like to send out a way to go to **Sonya Maloney** for helping clean the trays in the lunch room on Wednesday, Feb 18th . It is great Sonya that parents recognize your efforts!
- ☺ **Way To Go :** to **Sabrina Baker , Nicole Robbins, and Megan Holloway** for volunteering to clean off the tables and push in all chairs in the lunchroom.
- ☺ Way to go: to **Stacey King** (Grade 6) who was in line to use the phone downstairs and knew that a student behind her had to make a very important call. She let that student go ahead. Super middle school behavior!

TIDBITS

- **The Clarendville** Literacy Center is open to any adults who would like to drop by and touch up on their literacy and math skills, free of charge. They are located at the

Clarendville campus of the College of the North Atlantic. For more information please contact Paul at 466-6909.

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- Huge Middle School welcome to **Jenny Vivian who transferred from Kingston, Ontario** to our school. The students of 6Budgell and the teachers are pleased to have her with us.
- **Welcome Tickery(4Drover) and Gimhani (6Avery) Costa** who have transferred to our school from Goose Bay. Prior to that, they were enrolled in Toronto, home of the mighty Maple Leafs. **Also, Way To Go to Kieran Vasanthan, Ryan Fillier, Holly Kelly; Ryan Hollohan, and Roy Brushett** who so graciously gave of their time to show their school to Tickery.
- Thank-you to **Kevin Goodyear** (stadium engineer) who repaired the water line to our hot water urn in the gym complex. Much **appreciated** Kevin!
- **Canada Day Poster Challenge:** invites students 18 years and younger to create a colourful, innovative poster that expresses how proud they are to grow up in a nation with a vibrant history and heritage. **“ACADIA : FIRST DIALOGUES - THE MEETING OF THE TWO WORLDS”** is the theme for 2004. Committee will provide \$200.00 to the school with the highest # of participants per capita. In addition, each province selects three top finalists from the entries. Each finalist, along with an adult, will win an expense paid trip to St. John’s to participate in the official announcement. The 13 finalist across Canada will win a trip to Ottawa. **Submission Date :Friday February 27th, 2004.** Why not participate? We have great innovative artists in our school. Enter for FUN! Your teacher has a booklet with more information!!
- Thank-you to **Mrs. Kathy Beck** (Jesse’s mom) who so graciously volunteered her time recently to assist the grade 4 teachers and students prepare for the 100th school day celebrations on Friday, Feb. 6th . A learning experience and fun was had by all!
- A huge thank-you to **Browning’s Restaurant**, owners Don and Lynn Tobin (Hayley’s and Heather’s mom and dad), for donating a large amount of spaghetti for Monday’s hot meal. Enough received to **cover several meals. Much appreciated!**
- **‘Middle School students bowled at provincials’.** Great job in Bay Roberts by:
Amy Baxendale Gabrielle Green Michael Walsh David Bugden
Robert-Paul Barron Emily Best Hanna Myers Mandy Green
Melanie Avery Chris Dalton Grant Rose
- **DANGEROUS activity:** Pinching the skin of other students leaving bruises, otherwise known as ‘Purple Nurples’. Students are not permitted to invade someone’s personal space and are told **NOT** to perform this act. **What happens if a student performs this act?** It will be reported as committing a violent act, possibly recorded as bullying as well, and the student will be given 3 days detention. Home will be contacted and informed that a repeat incident of a violent nature will result in being suspended from school.
- **Students on phone during class time !** We request that students **NOT** use the phone during class time unless they have **direct permission** from a teacher. WE desire students to be in class and not missing valuable instruction.

RULES FOR ON-LINE SAFETY

Following are the rules for on line safety which were given by Cpl. R. Allan of the RCMP to parents who attended the session on Internet Safety. Why not go over these with your child and have them sign it as a promise to you.

- ☞ I will not give out personal information such as my address, telephone number, parents' work address/telephone number, or the name and location of my school without my parents' permission.
- ☞ I will tell my parents right away if I come across any information that makes me feel uncomfortable.
- ☞ I will never agree to get together with someone I "meet" online without first checking with my parents. If my parents agree to the meeting, I will be sure that it is in a public place and bring my mother or father along.
- ☞ I will never send a person my picture or anything else without first checking with my parents.
- ☞ I will not respond to any messages that are mean or in any way makes me feel uncomfortable. It is not my fault if I get a message like that. If I do, I will tell my parents right away so that they can contact the online service.

☞ I will talk with my parents so that we can set up rules for going online. We will decide upon the time of day that I can be online, the length of time I can be online, and appropriate areas for me to visit. I will not access other areas or break these rules without my parents' permission.