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SCHOOL NEWS BULLETIN: THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5th

IMPORTANT DATES TO NOTE:

- ✓ **Grade 7 & 8 Mid-term exam** schedule: Monday February 9th - ELA ; Tuesday Feb. 10th - Math ; and Thursday Feb. 12th - Science. Parents are asked to note that these exams will occur between 8:40 - 10:15 a.m. on the noted days and regular classroom instruction will occur thereafter.
- ✓ No School for students on **Friday Feb. 20th**.

SCHOOL CLOSING PROCEDURES AND TIMELY COMMUNICATION

From time to time, we may have delays in certain busses starting their runs on the usual times due to weather or mechanical difficulty. In an attempt to communicate more effectively, we have asked drivers to contact designated parents on their routes immediately after contacting the school's administration during a delay. We will continue to use CKVO as usual to announce delays but will also add CBC Radio. CBC's announcements are consistently announced at 7:20 a.m. daily. **The following parents have agreed to serve as a contact:**

Route # (Grades)	Route Description	Driver	Time of 1 st Pick-up	PARENT CONTACTS (Delayed Starts)
33 (4 -12)	Milton to Clareville - Summerville Heights - Mountain View Heights	Vic Romaine	8:20 a.m.	Dave/Janice (David Davis) Dwayne/Shelly (Tyler Reid)
11 (K-12)	Queens Cove, Ivany's Cove and loop in Hillview	Alex Sweetland	7:45 a.m.	Ray/Marilyn (Stacey Warren) Glen /Ruby (Andy Bailey) Charlie/Marilyn (Zoe Price)
49 (K-8)	Clareville -Marine Drive -Moores Road (Hawthorne Apt. to College)	Jason Carpenter	8:05 a.m.	Denise (Nicholas Brown) Don/Lynn Tobin (Hayley Drake) Roger/Bernice (Courtney Holloway) Glen/ Leona (Joey Kelly)
5 (K-12)	North West Brook	Clyde Soper	7:50 a.m.	Darrell / Lucille (Max Vivian) Randy/Jean (David Norris) Allister/Sheila (Andrea Goobie) Brent/Phylis (Tiffany Cooper)
69 (K-12)	St. Jone's Within , Hatchet Cove and Hillview up to the post office in Hillview.	Tonzie Branton	7:35 a.m.	Craig/Cindy (Garrett Holloway) Clyde/Lorraine (David King)
78 (K-12)	Goobies, Adeytown and Deep Bight	Oliver Green	7:45 a.m.	Hayward/Bonnie (Jeremy Soper) Reg / Loraine (Samantha Green) Craig/Rosetta (Melanie Avery)

81 (4- 12)	Clarenville(High Birchy)	Dennis Vardy	8:05 a.m.	Chris/Roxanne (Rebecca Bailey) Tonya (Samantha Bishop)
9 (K-8)	Port Blanford	Rod Vardy	7:40 a.m.	Myrtice Peddle(Courtney Holloway) Clyde/Doreen(Rochelle Oldford) Allan/Diane (Kimberly Greening)
92 (4-8)	Clarenville Subdivision -Moores Road (Including Hawthorne Apt. to Donna's Mini Mart)	Amy Vardy	8:07 a.m.	Brian/Lee-Ann (Josh Ennis) Ron/Dana (Ryan Matchem) Peter/Palma (David Marsh)

Please be advised that in the case of school closure, school administrators from the four schools in our system contact the weather office, local highways depots and designated bus contractors in order to make a call on whether school will open or close. A difficult decision at times! Decisions on whether a particular bus starts its run is made by the driver who is familiar with the area he/she travels. For these situations, the driver is asked to call the designated parents above to inform them of the situation and provide necessary details related to their run. Others can then call the parents closest to them to get an immediate update.

Other **pertinent bussing** notes:

- ☺ We have asked students to refrain from eating on the bus runs due to the possibility of choking and to be respectful of those with serious allergies which may be aboard. A snack can be eaten before getting aboard the bus if felt necessary.
- ☺ Analysis of bussing stops on various routes have been undertaken. We will be making contact with parents in the very near future to tidy up the frequency of bus stops where necessary.

RECENT STUDENT “WAY TO GO’S”

The following items were published in the daily morning bulletin. Then intention to celebrate the many, many wonderful actions and deeds that occur in our school.

- **Teacher -Student ‘Chess’ Challenge** : Wednesday January 28th saw Mr. Nicholl play Max Vivian from 8Waye. According to student reports, the game ended in a draw, but several viewers thought that Mr. Nicholl took an inordinate amount of time to make his moves, thus preventing an impending win by Max. Not sure if a re-match is in the wings, but we will inform you! **Way to go to Mr. Nicholl** for making available the quality time to indulge a good chess player.
- **Way To Go to Cody Carpenter** (8Waye) who was seen clearing snow way up on top off the Tai Hong restaurant’s roof last week. Scary!
- Good Luck to **Mitchell Legge and Andrew Sharp** as they compete at the Atlantic Cup this upcoming weekend. This downhill skiing event held at Marble mountain involves all skiers from the Atlantic provinces. Good luck guys!!
- **Way To GO:** to Andrew Smith for teaching classmates and Ms. Winsor the professional sneeze dance. Wow! What a great series of movements.

A GOOD READER (How often does your child read?)

The following is a **excerpt** from a text that highlights the importance of reading. From the book “**Overcoming Dyslexia**” by **Sally Shaywitz, M.D.** (P. 106).

“The powerful influence of early reading on later reading and vocabulary growth was demonstrated when researchers had children keep diaries of how they spent their time when they were not in school. The very best readers, those who scored better than 90 percent of their peers on reading tests, read for more than twenty minutes a day (about 1.8 million words a year), while those at the fiftieth percentile (50%) read only 4.6 minutes a day (282,000 words a year). The poorest readers, those children reading below the tenth percentile, read less than one minute each day (a meagre 8,000 words a year), and would require one year to read what the best readers read in two days. Given such worrisome consequences of poor reading, it is desirable to identify, early on, a child who is not on track to becoming a skilled reader.”

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