



CLARENVILLE MIDDLE SCHOOL

...Where Students Come First!

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CMS Newsletter



TIGER TRACKS



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IN THE NEWS . . .

HAPPENING RIGHT HERE!

This section of the newsletter will highlight some of the **student special activities** that are occurring in the following days:

- ☉ Grade 4 students will be meeting with our instrumental teacher/director Ms. Warren soon to look at instruments for those interested in being part of the great program.
- ☉ Our talented grade 4 and 5 students will be presenting a drama project related to the environment in the Clarenville High School gymnasium on Thursday June 9th at 7:00 p.m.
- ☉ Check out the various clinics highlighted in this newsletter.

School Council Note

STAFF APPRECIATION DAY - FRIDAY, JUNE 10

The School Council would like to invite all students and parents to show the teachers, administrators, student assistants, school support staff and bus drivers how much we value their work at Clarenville Middle School. On Friday, June 10th we plan to host a special lunch for those who make our school run smoothly and make it a great place to learn. There are several ways you can contribute to show your appreciation on this day.

- make a financial contribution towards the lunch menu
- donate an item or gift certificate that can be used as a prize draw throughout the day
- assist in preparation and clean-up of the meal
- supervise students during the lunch hour while the teachers enjoy their meal
- send your child's teachers a "WAY TO GO" note

If you can help in any way, please call **Vanessa Austin** at 466-2782. Any donations can be picked up or sent to the Office at the school.

SCHOOL'S HOMEPAGE www.k12.nf.ca/cms



We have a challenge for you ! A contest of sorts!
Log on to our school's homepage, click on 'CMS NOW'
and view the pictures associated with the contest:

- Picture # 1: Guess the two middle school students in this shot !
- Picture # 2: Tyler Ellis's big fish a 'German Brown' was quite the catch. Guess the weight!

Student entries can be deposited in a container at the main office. Also, check out the pictures of Monday's June 6th science field trip to Terra Nova Park.

MORE NEWS AND STUFF

3RD PUBLIC SPEAKING SESSION HELD

Due to the financial contribution of our local Lion's Club, sponsor of public speaking at Clarendville Middle School, \$25.00 was provided to the winner in each grade level. Way to go to all participants and a special tip of the hat to the grade level winners as selected by our esteemed judges:

<u>Speaker:</u>	<u>Topic:</u>
Zonia Ghuman (8W)	Divorce
Chantal Rochon (7R)	Cruelty to Pitbulls
Candace George (6D)	Poverty
Benjamin Drover (5B)	Skiing
Sydney Ann Thoms (4D)	Parents/Grandparents

Sydney Ann, Benjamin and Candace delivered their speeches at the Elementary Lion's Speak-off on Monday, May 30th. All three speakers did great and our most senior speaker, Candace, came away with a 1st place finish. Our grade 7 & 8 speakers, Zonia and Chantal will be competing in the upcoming Kiwanis Speak-off.

STUDENT VOLLEYBALL/BASKETBALL CAMPS

A 'Volleyball Camp' for grade 7 & 8 students will be held on Friday June 10th and Saturday the 11th **Mr. Terry Mosher**, past provincial coach of the winter games team and participant in the national program for several years will be, at our request, holding a camp for our young stars. A registration form is available at the office with the registration cost being \$20.00.

There will be a 'Basketball Camp' for Middle School students Grades 4-8 on Friday June 17th (6-9 p.m.) & June 18th (9 - 12 p.m. / 1 - 4 p.m.). Mr. Clarence Sutton, physical education teacher at St. Kevin's High School, who specializes in Basketball, will be holding a clinic here at the school to work on basic skills with our students. Well known in the province, Mr. Sutton runs a great camp and we look forward to having him work with our players. **Registration cost is \$20.00 and forms** can be picked up at the office. NOTE: Space limited - 'first come first serve'.

🎵 CMS MUSIC PROGRAM (Upcoming Events)

- June 9th** **4/5 Choir:** Drama and Musical Production 6:30 - 7:30 at Clarendville High Gymnasium (These performances are in conjunction with NL Power & Envirofest)
- June 12th** **6/7/8 Choir:** Performs at Memorial United Church at the 11 a.m. Service
- June 15th** **6/7/8 Choir:** Vista Region Retirement Dinner (Clarendville Inn)
- June 20th** **Band Students and Grade 4/5/6 Classroom music program:** will be having our final concert at CMS Complex at 7 p.m.

HEALTH NOTES

Did You Know? (science lesson as well - watch for those grade 7 Science terms!) In a 355 ml can of soft drink, (a solution of sugar in carbonated water), there are approximately **180 ml of sugar** (the solute) dissolved in the 175 ml of carbonated water (the solvent). So, how much sugar is 180 ml? It is about 12 Tbsp. (tablespoons - more than teaspoons!) Wow! It is believed and reported that there is **MORE** sugar in the very popular 'Slushies' which students seek during lunch hours.

Backpacks are believed to contribute to back, neck and shoulder problems. For our students physical health, it is important they review the contents of their backpack to assure they are NOT carrying around books, pet rocks, etc. that may not be needed. Proper maintenance of the load they carry will help!

MATH CONTEST RESULTS

School Results of a National Math Contest that all Middle School students participated in weeks ago, have been received. Over 50,000 students from across this country participated in either the Pythagoras Contest (Grade 6), the Fibonacci (Grade 5) and the Byron-Germain (Grade 4). Here are the school results and top three placings:

- ★ Pythagoras (Gr 6): 1st Alexander Brannan (score 29); 2nd Emily Vey (score 28) and 3rd Emily Best (score 26). **School average : 17.21**
- ★ Fibonacci (Gr 5): 1st Christian Pearce (score 30); 2nd Justin Abbott (score 24) and 3rd Robert Pond (score 23) **School average : 14.44**
- ★ Byron-Germain (Gr 4): 1st Nathan Baker (score 21); 2nd Hillary Pitcher (score 17) and Victoria Brannon (score 15) **School average : 9.90**



RECENT WAY TO GO'S

Items published in the daily morning bulletin. We celebrate the many wonderful actions and deeds that occur in and outside our school. We have much to be proud of!

- ❑ Way to go to all students who purchased a meal on Thursday of last week. Ms. Austin and her excellent crew stated it was a pleasure hearing 'the HUGE number of students using good manners'. Super stuff!
- ❑ Way to go to the grade four classes who took part in the yellow bag program Thursday May 26th helping the town and its great citizens keep the school looking clean and beautiful. A special project by a great middle school group! Much thanks to Hannah Tilley's (4Drover) dad who delivered her gloves to the school in order to support the cause!
- ❑ Way to go to Jordan Norcott and Jordan Simmonds who assisted Ms. Budgell the morning of Friday May 27th with the breakfast program. Great job guys. Thanks!
- ❑ Way to go to Mr. Organ. From a parent of a first-time public speaker, who was very impressed with the personalized letter of congratulations sent to his child (and all speakers) after Tuesday's speak off. The letter was more than just a form letter. It commented specifically on the speaker's performance and the topic chosen. Thanks for taking the time to carry out such a nice gesture.
- ❑ Way to go to the Grade 5 woodwinds. Several people commented on the great playing heard coming from the band room on Tuesday. After inquiry, Jazzy Brown Jug and the Regal March were the selections that were played beautifully. First year musicians sounding SUPER!
- ❑ Way to go to Jordan Norcott for fixing Jessica Abbott's pencil without being asked. This way to go brought to you by a very conscientious student of 4Vey. Thank-you Alex Doyle!
- ❑ Way to go to Victoria Brannan (4Drover) who received back \$1.00 from the snack vendor one afternoon and also got her snack. She immediately returned the money to the office realizing the Brannan and Middle School rightful behaviour. Super!
- ❑ Way to go to Sarah Bailey (5Pye) for using such good manners. Sarah, after being dismissed from the lunchroom last week, took it upon herself to return to the kitchen and thank the parent volunteers who served the wonderful meal. True Middle School manners, Sarah. It's from her mom mostly she says!

Important Dates to Remember

Wednesday, June 8 th	Clarendville High School Concert	
Thursday, June 9 th	1) Enviro-Fest being held at Clarendville Middle School. 2) Grade 4/5 Drama Production	
Sunday, June 12 th	Rick Hansen Walk : 'Wheels In Motion'. - Registration is at 12:30 p.m. in the Middle School gym complex.	
Tuesday, June 14 th	1) Grade 8 Parent Meeting in High School Resource Center - to discuss programming for grade 9 in 2005-06. 2) Next newsletter [brief one!]	
Wednesday, June 15 th	Grade 7 & 8 ELA Final Exam	8:45 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.
Friday, June 17 th	Grade 7 & 8 Science Final Exam	8:45 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.
Monday, June 20 th	Grade 7 & 8 Math Final Exam	8:45 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.
Tuesday, June 21 st	Newsletter (staffing / next school year information)	

TIDBITS

- S Police Officer for a day winner ! Congratulations to Lucas Goobie (5Budgell) who won the 'police officer for a day contest'. For his reward, Lucas will be patrolling the streets and highways in and around the Clarendville area looking for individuals that may be breaking the rules of the road. Inform your parents to be on the lookout for Lucas and Cst. Noel. Congratulations and enjoy your day Lucas!
- S Congratulations to Ms. Pye who was a recipient of a Federal 'Volunteer Service Award' in recognition of her outstanding leadership and service in the Historica Fairs Program. Ms. Pye has participated in and helped organize most of the school and regional Heritage Fairs in this area for the past 8 years. Great leadership and dedication. Also, to Mr. Randell who will be recognized at the upcoming awards banquet of the School Sports Newfoundland and Labrador in St. John's on June 3rd for his contribution to the provincial executive in organizing and administrating school sport in our province. Two well deserved recognitions for our Middle School staff. Congratulations!
- S Huge Middle School welcome to Amanda Meunier who is joining the great group of students in 6Davis. Amanda is transferring from Bishop White in Port Rexton and appears to be eager to join the Middle School flock. Great you could join us Amanda!
- S Air Cadet inspection occurred Sunday May 29th and there were many Middle School students who participated. This was the time of the year when cadets across the province are inspected and perform for several visiting officers. Middle School cadets were: Mitchell Lane, Ashley Johnston, Robert Kelly, Mark Power, Nicholas Brown, Jordan Vokey, Brittany Drover, Ryan Mercer, Shawna Matchem , Teeana Matchem and our newest student Amanda Meunier. The first aid demonstration went very well and all the Middle School cadets participated in a drill team event where all were synchronized and looked great. This team was lead Jordan Vokey who remembered ALL his directions. There was also a PTD Team (Physical Team Demonstration) where Mitchell, Shawna, Teeana, Jordan & Ashley were members that dive-rolled over people, did push-ups, cartwheels and built human pyramids. The band performed very well and will be performing at the Enviro-Fair this Thursday at our gym complex. Thank-you to Mitchell Lane for providing the scoop (details) on your inspection!
- S Clarendville Mayor Best came to visit 6Avery last week. Why? To present a cheque for \$25.00 to Sabrina Baker who entered a municipality contest with an essay entitled 'I love my municipality'. Way to go Sabrina for taking the initiative to enter and being so gracious in your achievement!
- S The Elementary Speak-Out was held at the Clarendville Lions Club on Monday May 30th. Great job by Benjamin Drover, Sydney Ann Thoms and Candace George. Our Middle School students spoke very well in front of a large number of viewers and provided great answers to the judge's questions as well!
- S Middle School students make 'Provincial' Volleyball TEAMS. After being selected in their region, three middle school players competed for provincial spots against regions from all over our great province. We are delighted to announce that our own Sara Avery made the girl's grade 10 and under squad while Josh Ennis and Andrew Upshall made the boys 10 and under squad. It is a great achievement when you make the provincial squad for your age, but to make the grade 10 and under team as under-agers speaks to your great skill level! WAY TO GO Middle School volleyballers! YAHOO!
- S Port Blandford Sea Cadets 310 Clode Sound Corps. had their 14th 'Annual Cadet Review' Thursday June 2nd at the Royal Canadian Legion. Middle School sea cadets were Rochelle Oldford, John McLellan, Megan Garrett, Mitchell Price, Michelle Lane , and Brittany Chatman. Way to go to Megan Garrett who received the award for best attendance of the year. The cadets displayed rifle shooting, knot tying and 'outdoor adventure training'. According to parents in attendance, it was one of the best years the corps. has performed. Way to go Middle School sea cadets.
- S Welcome to two new Middle School students who transferred on Thursday June 2nd : Kody Ballett (8Organ) and Dylan Ballett (5Budgell). Kody and Dylan are transferring to us from Balbo Elementary in Shoal Harbour.
- S Clarendville Minor Baseball Association is attempting to organize a minor baseball program for boys and girls during the summer. This program will be in addition to C.A.R.A.'s daytime program. The program will focus on skills development and knowledge of the game and some games. There will be three age groups : Under 9 years old ; 9 to 12 years old ; and 13 years and older. Interested students can pick up further information at the main office.