



A.G. BAILLIE Memorial School Newsletter

April 9, 2018

Important Dates

April 10	Author Visit, Grades 4-6
April 10	Gr 6 Parents Meeting 6:30 pm
April 10	Halifax All-City Girls Honor Choir visit 1:30- 2 pm
April 10&11	Spring Photos
April 11	International Day of Pink
April 12	Pizza Day
April 12	Wii Bowling 12-12:55
April 13	Author Visit, Grades Pr-3
April 14	Bagging Groceries
April 18-20	Book Fair
April 19	Gr 3 DeCoste
April 19	Parent Teacher 5:30 pm –7:30 pm
April 20	Parent Teacher 9:00 am-11:00 am In-service in p.m. No School for Students
April 23	Recycling Presentation Grades Pr-3
April 23	Canada Book Day
April 24	Recycling Presentation Grades 4-6
	M.O.R.E. Proclamation Signing 10:30
April 26	Pizza Day
May 5	Spring Fling 10 am-1 pm
May 18	No Classes for students
May 21	Victoria Day Holiday No School

Principal's Message

Welcome to our last term of school! Report cards have gone home and we are waiting for Student Led Conferences or Parent/ Teacher interviews later this month.

Near the end of April, Ms Butler will be finishing her time with us when Mrs Little returns from her leave. We have enjoyed having Ms Butler with us and wish her well in the future.

Our Grade 6's will be participating in something a little different for their end of year trip. They will be attending Big Cove Camp for three days and two nights at an Outdoor Learning Project. Their parents were invited to a meeting Tuesday, April 10th here at the school. It is quite an exciting opportunity.

Our window and door upgrades are almost finished. The windows have made a

huge difference in the amount of light coming in the rooms. Also the flaking paint issue at the front entry is having a permanent makeover. Our existing flaking paint doors in other areas of the school will receive paint later this spring/ summer.

Our H & S is holding a Bagging Groceries event at the Superstore on April 14th. All funds collected will be going to our playground fund. Information went home last week asking for volunteers. And speaking of our playground, we have had several meetings/walk-arounds with vendors but our last was the most informative. One of our parents with expertise in the area gave us some great ideas. Another parent has been trying to access grants to help pay for the changes. This is a huge project and

will take more than one year to complete.

Recently, I've posted a couple of notices on the A.G. Baillie Parents Group on Facebook. I know I'm not a parent and I don't FB frequently but it was a fast and easy way of getting a message out to many quickly. Thank you to the members for allowing me to post.

Finally, remember our Spring Fling is rapidly approaching and we are looking forward to seeing you all there!

Nancy Boudreau



Requests for Classroom Placements

Our teachers spend a great deal of time compiling the classroom placements for the new school year. Each student is individually placed based upon the number of boys and girls, the level of accomplishment, and various personal traits etc. Therefore, we **will not** be accepting requests for a particular teacher whatever the circumstances. We will give parents of siblings (twins) the option of having them separated or together in the same grade.

Primary Registration

Do you have a child, or know of a child who will be starting school in September 2017?

If so, please have the parent/guardian contact the school at 902-755-8240.

Children must now be five years old on or before December 31st, 2018.

SPRING FLING UPDATE

Don't forget to mark Saturday, May 5th on your calendars. This is when A.G. Baillie will hold its 23rd Annual Spring Fling – a fun-filled day for students that also raises funds for the school. The planning committee has been busy canvassing local businesses for donations. If your business is able to make a donation, please let us know. The Spring Fling committee is collecting wrapped, unused small toys for prizes, such as McDonald's toys. We would also appreciate items for the Silent Auction and raffle, such as those unused Christmas gifts sitting in your closet. We can only accept new items, and they can be dropped off to the school office.

Lost & Found

We have a great deal of unclaimed clothing at the school.

If your child (ren) have missing ski pants, mittens, hats, etc. please ask your child to check the "Lost and Found" or perhaps come into the school to check. Items will be going to charity after the Parent/ Teacher Visitation.

Student Information

Reminder to update your child(ren)'s Student Information. Please contact the school at 902-755-8240 or

email the school at

agbaillie@staff.ednet.ns.ca

Community Activities

We are entering the time of year where the school is asked to send home information from different community organizations and we honour these requests. We encourage parents to exercise due diligence and check out the organizations to ensure they are a good fit with your child. Ask questions of friends if you don't recognize the group. Please remember groups use our facilities although we are not affiliated with them. School supported activities are identified as such.



The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to our school and we're looking forward to seeing you there.

Our Book Fairs connect students to books they want to read. To help your child find the newest and best books, he or she will visit the Fair during class time. Students will be allowed to purchase books during that visit, but you may also purchase during Parent Teacher on Thursday, April 19th and Friday, April 20th.

Thank you for encouraging your child to read. By purchasing books and supporting the Book Fair, you will be supporting classroom libraries. We look forward to seeing you at the Book Fair.



Many of the A. G. Baillie community would like to do something for the families of the terrible tragedy in Saskatchewan. We are asking that the students wear a jersey/a team shirt/green or yellow clothing on Thursday, April 12th and that they bring in \$2. All money received will be sent to the families, teammates and community members that are mourning the loss of many of their own. ✓ - □

Pictou County Athletics -2018 Spring Programs

With Middle and High School track season fast approaching Pictou County Athletics invites school athletes to come and get extra practices with coaches from the Pictou County Athletics.

Registration will be from 5:45 pm - 6:45pm, on Wednesday, April 4, 2018 and Friday, April 6, 2018 from 4:45pm – 6:00 pm at the Pioneer Coal Athletics Field, 483 Auburn Ave, Stellarton.

Cost is \$90.00 for the spring session which goes to June 5, 2018. We have a summer season/registration which start on July 3, 2018. The 13+ program will practice on Friday, April 6, 2018 from 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm and our other practice day is Sundays from 2:00pm - 4:00 pm. These extra practices are not to interfere with the school programs, but to enhance their abilities and to help them succeed in school track and beyond.

The Trailblazers (ages 9 to 12) and Masters (ages 35+) will also have registration on the same times/dates as listed above for the spring programs. Further information can be found on the PCA website – pictoucountyathletics.com



Autism Awareness & Acceptance Month

You Are Invited to an Open House to celebrate the opening of Pictou County's New Autism Resource Centre and to kick off the beginning of Autism Awareness & Acceptance Month!

When: April 2nd (World Autism Day) Flag Raising at Glasgow Square 3:30pm Open House 4pm-8pm Where: 115 MacLean Street, New Glasgow (above H&R Music) Show support by bringing the whole family and by wearing blue! Meet & Greet, Cookie Decorating, Crafts & Light Refreshments



Pictou County Lacrosse



COME PLAY LACROSSE

Mini Lacrosse – Level 1 – Grades 1-3 & Level 2 – Grades 4-6

**Peewee (2006/2007)
Bantam (2004/2005)
Midget (2002/2003)
Intermediate (1999/2000/2001)**

Cost – Mini Lacrosse Fee: \$100.00 All Other Fees: \$225.00 per player
Season runs April - June

REGISTRATION

Online at <http://pcl.goalline.ca>

OR

March 29 , Trenton Rink Annex 6 - 9pm

Contact us with any questions at info@pictoucountyathletics.ca

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UKULELE KIDS

New beginner ukulele group class for children starts Thursday, April 5th at 5:30 pm. 6 week session, including book/materials, only \$120 (follow-on sessions are \$90 per 6 weeks). No experience needed. Ages 8 to 12 years old. 60 minute group class, once per week. Located in New Glasgow. Bring your own ukulele. Please Call Crystal at 902-752-1183.

May 26, 2018 NSCC Pictou Campus

Lawton's Drugs presents

Princess Tea & Superhero Party, Children's Wish

To purchase tickets visit:

www.childrenswish.ca/newglasgowparty

Join us for an extraordinary afternoon of all things princess and Superhero! Fairytale Friends, Hal-Con, dancing, cupcakes, face painting, ballerinas, music, Princess Parlour, Superhero Ally and so much more!! Tickets are only #30 and includes everything.

For more information, Please call Denise at 902-468-3044 or email denise.collier@childrenswish.ca