



Newsletter 2023

Notes from the office

Fall seems to breeze in so quickly! We feel the colder temperatures especially during outdoor recess play. Academics are in full swing with teachers utilizing the UFLI curriculum to build phonological awareness as part of the literacy program. In math, students explore computational fluency with a variety of number activities to build number efficiency and fluency. Teachers focus a 30 minute uninterrupted block each day to these areas. Welcome to Math Coach, Tina Egan who will be with Caudle Park for the entire year. We are participating in an EECD pilot study to improve math assessment scores at the grade 3 level. Having a coach in the building helps us all build skill in number and operations.

Remembrance Day Ceremony



We will be having our Remembrance Day ceremony on Friday November 10th at 9:30am. Families and friends are invited to join us for this assembly and students in Scouts /Guides/Cadets are welcome to wear their uniforms.

Flu Shot Clinic

The school will be having a flu shot clinic for all family members. It will be held on Wednesday, November 15th from 2:30-5:30 am in Room 101. The vaccination is free for anyone with a current NS health card, and the health nurse is able to vaccinate anyone 2 years of age and older who has a NS health card. Feel free to stop by for this vaccination.

Community of Learners

Our caring school's theme for November is **respect**. This coincides with Remembrance Day, honoring those who served for freedom and acceptance in Canada. Respect means that **you accept somebody for who they are, even when they're**



different from you or you don't agree with them. Respect in your relationships builds feelings of trust, safety and wellbeing. Respect doesn't always come naturally – it is something you can learn. This month students will be encouraged to practice respect in many ways.

PTA / SAC

Thank you to the PTA and all families who turned out for the Halloween Dance! The volunteer representation was amazing which really helped things run smoothly. At the dance, some families got to sample **Mitchell's Soups**. This fundraiser is running now on the school [Website](#). Click on the schools cash link. These soup packages are excellent gifts to warm any heart and stomach! Soups cost \$12.00 each or 3 for \$30.00



Learning about Learning!

In lieu of a holiday concert, we will celebrate student learning in January. We plan



to connect this event to **Family Literacy Day** which is **Friday, January 26th**. On this afternoon, families will be invited to the school to see Cultural / Arts displays and performances. Hopefully we will also be showcasing our new **Art Installation** that is being created with Mi'kmaq Artist Quinten Syliboy. More details will follow in the new year!

Do you know

- Students need to bring their own water bottles and utensils for lunches
- Our fountains only dispense to water bottles
- Our enrollment is currently 208 students.
- Mr. Mark Strangward is our new caretaker.
- Anyone in the refrigeration line of work? We have a fridge that needs a look.
- 5-10 students are biking and scooting to school, using the bike rack and shed.
- The grade 5 Entrepreneur fair will be on December 8th
- We will host the Caudle Co-op again this year and will begin collecting donations of random toys / household items and books early in December

We are pleased to welcome **Dr. Daniel Chorney** to our school community for an evening talk about **Anxiety in Children**. Dr. Chorney is a Halifax-based registered psychologist. His sessions are designed to help increase and promote mental health

awareness, and give families the ability to learn more about what evidence-based treatment is, especially relating to anxiety in children.

The session will be offered on **Thursday, November 30th at 6:00 PM at Hillside Park School gymnasium** (15 Hillside Avenue, Lower Sackville, NS, B4C 1W5). Families from neighboring schools (Cavalier Drive, Sycamore Lane, Caudle Park, and Smokey Drive) are all welcome to attend this session. The talk will be about 60 minutes, with 30 minutes for questions at the end.



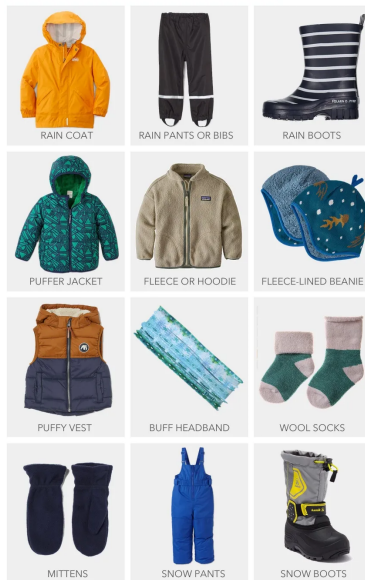
Please fill out the form below so we have a sense of our numbers, and to ensure we set out enough chairs. Dr. Chorney requests that this session is for adults only- there are a number of topics that come up that may not be appropriate with children in the audience.

If you could also email this link to a Google Form, that would be great. We want to see how many folks plan on attending, so we can make sure we have enough chairs.

Thanks!

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Dates to Remember

- November 10 Remembrance Assembly
- November 13 No School Remembrance Day Holiday
- November 15 Influenza Clinic 7:30-9:30 am
- November 23 No School / Reports to go home / Parent Teacher Interviews
- November 30 Dr Chorney Presentation at Hillside

...and a change of pants and socks in your backpack!

FOOD DRIVE EVENT:

For Beacon house is Saturday, November 18th, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 252 Cobequid Road, Lower Sackville (across from Tim Hortons).