

January 26th, 2016

REGISTRATION FOR NEW ETSB KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS:

The registration period for the new ETSB Kindergarten students will take place as of this week and continue until February 5th. Any child, who will be 5 years old before October 1st, 2016, is eligible for school. Please come to the school to register from Monday-Thursday, between 8:00am-2:30pm. (No ETSB secretary at the school on Fridays). You must bring the long format birth certificate of the child along with your proof of Quebec Residency (passport & license are great for registration purposes).

**REGISTRATION for children who are already student's here is also taking place at this same time. ETSB is trying something new this year and would like to get as many online registrations as possible. It is a simple procedure, so please check your emails for detailed instructions.

** A paper version will be sent home to those who have not given the school or school board an email address.

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK:

Teacher Appreciation Week is from February 7th to 13th. This is a perfect opportunity to show the teachers how much you appreciate them and to thank them for everything they do for your child.



SCHOOL BUS TRANSPORTATION SAFETY:

February 1st to 12th, is School Bus Transportation Safety Week. It is a great time to remind your child about bus safety.

SKI REMINDER FOR ETSB STUDENTS:

Kindergarten and Grade 1: Friday February 19th & Friday March 18th Grades 2: Friday February 19th & Friday March 18th Grades 3 and 4: Friday February 5th & Friday March 18th Grades 5 and 6: Friday January 29th & Friday March 11th

- * Please remember to send your children with a hearty, healthy lunch on their ski days. No nuts, peanuts or fish.
- **AND....Please don't forget that your children are not permitted to transport their ski equipment on the school bus.

MESSAGE FROM THE CAFETERIA:

The end of January marks the half-way point in the school year! It's also the end of the season for the 2015-2016 cafeteria passes. Please contact the kitchen personnel to renew (or to start) a pass for hot lunches for your child(ren). To speak with Lorie or Karine in the kitchen, please call 538-2318 ext # 13015.

SCHOOL T-SHIRTS:

The new green school t-shirts were distributed last week. Please verify that your child's name is written inside. We ask that students now wear this t-shirt for their gym classes and for any school outings.

REMINDER ABOUT EARLY MORNING ARRIVAL:

It is important that you **do not** drop your child/children off at the school before 7:25 A.M. There is no one in the school yard before then to supervise the children, so for safety reasons please arrive after 7:25 A.M. We also remind you to please call the school before 8:15 A.M. to advise us if your child will be absent or late. The school phone # is: 450-538-2318, ext. # 13001 (Heather's phone).

**ALSO.....Please follow the safety procedures that we have in effect and drop your children off at the designated drop-off point. It is becoming very dangerous for our students because certain parents do not follow these procedures. Thank you for your understanding ©

OUTER WEAR:

With the cold and wet weather here, it is very important that your children wear their winter boots and are dressed appropriately for the weather. Wearing shoes outside will not be tolerated and students from Grades K - 3 *must* wear snow pants to go out at recess and noon hour and Grades 4-6 must wear them if they are sliding or playing in the snow.

 According to the Canadian Pediatric Society and Environment Canada, it is suggested that students be kept indoors if the temperatures reach -25C (with or without wind chill). They recommend us to follow these guidelines; therefore we suggest your children arrive at school dressed accordingly, for this cold weather. Please rest assured that if your children are outside in any extreme cold that it will be for a shortened period of time or they will simply remain inside altogether.

DAYCARE DURING MARCH BREAK

The survey about needing the school Daycare during the March Break is now complete and enough people have responded positively, therefore the registration for this will begin soon. Please watch your emails and newsletters for more information concerning Daycare during March break. REMINDER: The survey was not considered registration. Parents must actually register their children for the March Break Daycare when the time comes.

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES (THROUGH THE DAYCARE):

A few places are still available in: GYMNASTIC, GONGFU and WILD /THE RYTHMS OF THE FOREST..... First come, First serve. We do not have enough registrations for MUSICAL AWAKENING. If you are interested, please, communicate quickly with Agnès Boisvert. The deadline for latecomers to register is tomorrow, Wednesday January 27th, so the final decisions and group organizations will be done at that point. For more information, please contact Agnès Boisvert: 450-538-0012, #4

ACTION REFUGIES SUTTON:

Currently looking for volunteers **of all ages** for a day of activities in Sutton on Saturday February 13th. Volunteers will act as ambassadors who will be matched with refugee families who will be spending the day in our town, or can also help in organizing the event. The day will begin in the morning at Goyette-Hill Parc for the "Pleasures of Winter" festivities and will end with an afternoon of tobogganing and hot chocolate. We invite families to help in welcoming our guests in feeling the warmth of our community in the winter cold. To volunteer or help in any way, please contact Catherine Stansfield at 450-242-2977.

TO COME:

- *February 5^{th} = End of Term 2 for ETSB students.
- *February 8^{th} = Governing Board meeting at 5:15 P.M. in the school staff room.
- *February 12^{th} = Pedagogical day, therefore no school. The daycare will be open for those who are registered for this Ped day.
- *February 15th-19th = HOOKED ON SCHOOL WEEK! Lots of fun activities for students.
- *February 29th March 4th = March Break
- *March 7^{th} = Pedagogical Day
- *March 8^{th} = Students return to school and it will be a Day 3