

REMINDER
Monday, May 24th
NO SCHOOL FOR
STUDENTS
Victoria Day Holiday

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Blues News

May 18, 2010

GIGANTIC VIDEO DANCE FOR GRADE 8 STUDENTS!

We will be hosting a gigantic Video Dance for our Grade 8 students only to celebrate three years of attending Harkins Middle School!

Date: Friday, May 28th
 Time: 7—10:00 p.m.
 (Doors open at 6:50 p.m. Doors close at 7:30 p.m.)
 Cost: \$8.00

CANTEEN AVAILABLE NO LOCKER USAGE

This is not a dress up affair and School Dress Codes for school and Socials apply.
 (Please see Pages 4 & 7 of your child’s Agenda).

Note: There will be a limited number of sign ins of Grade 8 students from other schools. These students must be approved by Harkins Administration before the dance.

We do need parents/guardians to help with the canteen, supervision, etc. so if you could come for just an hour or so to help out, it would be appreciated.
 Please contact Mrs. Blackmore at 627-4088 to volunteer.

YEARBOOKS ARE
SELLING OUT FAST....

LIMITED NUMBER
AVAILABLE THIS YEAR.

YOU MUST PREORDER!

Harkins Middle School Presents
a beautiful full colour Yearbook

\$25.00 for memories that will last a lifetime
 What a great end-of-the-year gift for a student!
 (Please pay Mrs. Collette in Room #310 on the Red Team)
 Thanks to Ms. Breau for her many hours of time and dedication in bringing this Yearbook to print on time.

Harkins Middle School presents to the public
“A Fabulous Film Fiasco”
written by student, Elizabeth Matheson, and directed by Ms. Barrieau, Ms. Mercier & Mrs. Tucker

Tuesday, May 18th
6 p.m. at MVHS
\$3.00 at the door

Drama Festival 2010
 Awards are many for the HMS production of “A Fabulous Film Fiasco”, written by HMS Drama student Elizabeth Matheson!
 Harkins Middle School, under the direction of Ms. Barrieau & Ms. Mercier, rocked the NBTA Provincial Drama Festival with a full house, 9 a.m. performance.



Outstanding Production & Special Adjudicator’s Mention for Ensemble Work

Harkins Middle School
Special Mention for Originality

Elizabeth Matheson

Outstanding Actor

Spencer Daigle

Elizabeth Matheson

Outstanding Supporting Actor

Alana Keenan

Jared Malley

Helena McLaughlin

Outstanding Supporting Actor Team

Alyssa Guitard & Rebecca Kingston

Special Adjudicator’s Mention for Outstanding Commenting Choir

M’Kenzie Norton, Samantha Godin, Emily Boyd, Allegra Blakely, Haley Bohan

Outstanding Teacher Directors

Ms. Amy Barrieau & Ms. Jessica Mercier

We're sending out Congratulations!



Winners for School Level English Oratory held at Harkins Middle School on April 27th.

- Best Impromptu** - "Three Wishes" - Alyssa Dickinson
Third Place - "Child Abuse" - Justine Girouard
Second Place - "Bullying" - Alana Keenan
First Place - "Apollo" - Patrick Manderson

Thank you for providing the refreshments for our English Oratory Competitions held at HMS - Sobey's (School Level Oratory) and Atlantic Supervalu (District 16 Oratory).



Grade Level English Oratory Winners from HMS

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|---------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Grade 6 | Grade 7 | Grade 8 |
| Carly Gaston | Lauren Drisdelle | Alyssa Dickinson |
| Lyndsay Jay-Keating | Gabrielle Fournier | Justine Girouard |
| Jayden Jones | Patrick Manderson | Sarah Martin |
| Alana Keenan | Elizabeth Matheson | Becky Matheson |

Competing in the Concours d'art oratoire du District (District 16 French Oratory Competition) held at MVHS were:

Grade 6 Early: 2nd—Robyn Travis; 3rd— M'Kenzie Norton
 Ryan Taylor
 Grade 7 Early: 1st-William MacKnight; 3rd-Michael McKay
 Grade 7 Late: 3rd-Lindsey Gallant
 MacKenzie Morehouse
 Grade 8 Early: 2nd- Sarah Lynch
 Grade 8 Late: 1st Brilynn Fournier; 2nd-Amie Hayes

Robyn Travis, William MacKnight and Brilynn Fournier went on to compete at the Provincial Oratory Competition at UdeM, Moncton
 Robyn placed 2nd in her category!

Thirty Grade 8 students were chosen to participate in the **Canadian Scholastic Challenge....Keegan O'Shea placed 1st for HMS**. The following students placed above the Canadian average: Sidney Campbell, Patricia Deane, Tomica Fernandez, Kelly Henderson, Masub Khan, Zach Legere, Sydney MacDonald, Jordan MacLeod, Sarah Martin, Lina Morales, Shaunacey Murray, Sereena Rambaran, Dylan Ward, Alex Whitney.



Heritage Fair

Thank you to all students who participated in the HMS Heritage Fair—School Level.

The Morrissy Bridge

Tanner MacDonald/Spencer Waye (6C)

Chatham Ironmen (Wally Jimmo)

Matthew McCarthy—6E1

Le grand feu de Miramichi

Jordan Curran/Joshua Beaulieu (7E)

The Confederation Bridge

Michael Morrison/Dylan Gallant (8C)

Calgary Stampede

Theresa Ward (8E)

Matt Stairs

Spencer Daigle (6L)

Keeping Memories Alive

Lyndsay Jay-Keating (6B)

Le heritage des MacKenzie's

MacKenzie Morehouse

Terry Fox

Sam Freeze (8C)/Tyler Shaw (8A)

Marconi

M'Kenzie Norton

Random Acts of Kindness

The following students had their names drawn for practicing "Random Acts of Kindness": Hailee Gionet, Chelsy Nash, Riley Whyte, Jordan Manuel, Samantha Ceretti, Haylie MacDonald

Ballots are available on the counter in the Main Office. Why not recognize someone who has been kind to you!!

Winners from HMS at the Regional Heritage Fair

Joshua Beaulieu/Jordan Curran
2 Tongues Award

Matthew McCarthy
NB Sports Legacy Award

Lyndsay Jay-Keating
The Council of Archives Award

Results of the Gauss Math Contest

Grade 7

Top Scorer

Rachel Barry

Top 25%

Elizabeth Matheson, Shelby Hallihan, Andrew Savoy, Ariel Mahabir, Lindsey Gallant

Grade 8

Top Scorer

Alyssa Dickinson

Top 25%

Sereena Rambaran, Lina Morales, Jordan MacLeod, Lydia Stewart, Kelly Henderson, Sarah Lynch, Shaunacey Murray

Maggie Kingston was 1st Runner Up for the Grade 6-8 group in the Miramichi Partners in Literacy Spelling Bee held on Saturday, May 8th. Maggie also placed 1st in the District 16 Immunization Poster Contest!

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Results of the Scholastic Book Fair:

Spencer Daigle & Ms. Barrieau—\$25 in books for student & \$25 in books for classroom. \$10 in books for volunteering: Justine Girouard & Sereena Rambaran. Jennica McLean guessed 257 beans in the jar. Correct answer 255! Jennica won \$20 worth of books.



A big thank you to Spencer Daigle, Elizabeth Matheson, Rebecca Kingston & Teri Buffett who represented our school and district at the Provincial DEC Technology Symposium on April 16th. These students engaged Education Council members from around the Province in conversation about our Dark Skies Project and SMART Classroom Project. Way to go!

Remembrance Day—Earlier, we reported that Andrea Bell had won 1st Place in the Junior Poetry category of the Royal Canadian Legion's Provincial Contest. Andrea has gone on to capture 1st Place in the National Literary Contest in this category! Well done, Andrea!

Silent Auction & Talent Show "Miramichi Rural's Show of Fame"

Students are currently preparing for a showcase of talent that ranges from comedy to music to art. In addition to a talent show, there will be student art on display and for sale. People who attend will be able to bid on some pieces of student art. At the end of the night, the name of the winning pledge for the art will be announced. The art showcase begins at 6 p.m. and the talent show will proceed at 7 p.m. in the school gym. All happening on Wednesday, May 26th.



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Summer Camps at the Boys and Girls Club

Call the Boys and Girls Club
at 778-2444 for more information!

Thank you to Grade 8 students who participated in the 30-Hour Famine and to Ms. Richardson, Ms. Miousse, & Mrs. Collette for your time. Students & Staff raised \$2,960.00 for this worthy cause.

Well done again Harkins!

Congratulations to Katie Normandeau & Ryan Taylor who each won \$15 in Empire Theater Bucks for their contributions to the Angel Hair for Kids Mother's Day Basket. The winner of the basket was Nathan Allison! Combined, Drama students raised \$533 towards their trip to the Drama Fest and \$1,183.88 for Angel Hair for Kids.

Babysitting Exam at Harkins Middle School.

The following students received 100%...Andrea Bell, Cassidy Blackmore, Rachael Carroll, Katie Carruthers, Nolan Doak, Tobias Forsyth, Brittney Furlong, Carly Gaston, Alana Keenan, Shae-Lyn Mitchell, Justin Murphy, Kassi Pitre, Kayla Russell, Jonathan Thomson, Amanda Trevors.

Babysitters Training Program at Big Brothers/Big Sisters Boys & Girls Club

The following students have received Certificates of Completion: Hailee Gionet, Alana Keenan, Kendra Knowles, Lexie Mitchell, MacKenzie Morehouse, Natalie Whitney, Robin Donahue, Haley Bohan, Shawna Brideau.

Remember that there is a "Dress Code" at Harkins Middle School!

Parents and students are reminded that, since the nice weather is quickly approaching, our School Dress Code Policy will be strictly enforced. For the most part this year, students are dressing appropriately. You are reminded that low-cut tops are not acceptable at Harkins Middle School, nor are tops with spaghetti straps. Students will be asked to change or call home and have something acceptable brought to school to change into. Your cooperation would be greatly appreciated. Please take a moment now to review the Dress Code with your child, (Pages 4 & 7 of the Student Agenda).

*Thank you from
Mrs. Sullivan & Mrs. Blackmore*

Winners of Spirit Week April 20-23

The Leadership Team would like to thank everyone for making our April Spirit Week a huge success!

Class winners are as follows:

Grade 6
6A—1st; 6E1—2nd; 6L—3rd
Grade 7
7B—1st; 7L—2nd; 7E—3rd
Grade 8
8F—1st; 8C—2nd; 8A—3rd

Disability Awareness Week
Muscular Dystrophy Canada is supporting NB Disability Awareness Week which takes place
May 30th to June 5th, 2010.

Special Service Announcements

Service Canada—Youth Employment

Service Canada Centres for Youth (SCCY) have been assisting youth and employers across the country with their employment needs for more than 40 years. The Miramichi SCCY offers a variety of services for youth, including assistance with resumé and cover letter writing, interview preparation, job search strategies and information about career planning and the labour market. The SCCY in Miramichi is located at 150 Pleasant Street.

2010 Miramichi Summer Basketball Camp

Once again this summer, a group of local basketball coaches will hold their annual summer camp at MVHS. This one-week camp will focus on developing sound fundamentals through individual instruction and competitions, as well as team-oriented activities. The instructors are all teachers in the Miramichi area and bring a wealth of coaching and teaching experience to this summer camp.

One session/day:
 Grades K-5—9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
 Grades 6-8—1:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m.

Registration Fee: \$60.00

When: July 5—9

Where: MVHS Gym

Instructors: Jim Watters (MVHS); Chris McCallum (Beijing International); Jerry Richard (Dr. Losier); Rick Stewart (MVHS); John Corlett (Dr. Losier)

Info sheets available at HMS Main Office.

Deadline for \$60 registration fee is June 20, 2010-limited enrolment

Go for 42" Mango Kids Fun Run

Elementary and Middle School students in the Miramichi region are being invited to join the "Go for 42" program from May



10th to June 11th, 2010. To promote an active lifestyle and good nutritional habits School District 16 has joined the efforts of

MANGO in encouraging participation in a program where children run or run/walk one to two kilometers a day. Encourage your children to stay active by going for walks with them, playing sports in the yard such as playing catch, kicking a soccer ball, shooting some hoops, etc. You'll enjoy good health while spending quality time with your children.

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| May 10- June 11 | "Go for 42"...Mango Kids Fun Run for Elementary & Middle School students in the Miramichi region. |
| May 18 | Drama Club presents "A Fabulous Film Fiasco" at MVHS—6:00 p.m.—\$3 at the door |
| May 24 | Victoria Day—NO SCHOOL |
| May 27 | Kidsport Summer Equipment Drive 6-9:00 p.m. at the Golden Hawk Recreation Center |
| May 28 | Gigantic Video Dance for Grade 8 only |
| June TBA | Post-Intensive French Oral & Literacy Assessment Gr. 6-8 |
| June 2-8 | Provincial Assessment—Grade 6 Science |
| June 7-8 | Middle Level Mathematics Assessment for Grade 8 |
| June 7-8 | District 16 Math Assessment—Grade 7 |
| June 10 | HPV Needle for Grade 7 Girls |
| June 20 | Final registration "Miramichi Summer Basketball Camp" |
| June 25 | LAST DAY FOR STUDENTS BEFORE SUMMER BREAK! |
| July 5-9 | 2010 Miramichi Summer Basketball Camp |



KIDSPORT SUMMER EQUIPMENT DRIVE

Thursday, May 27th, 2010

6—9:00 p.m.

GOLDEN HAWK RECREATION CENTER

Have you been cleaning out your basement or garage and don't know what to do with all the old sports equipment? Before throwing it out, realize that many children are unable to afford the cost of registration and equipment for sports. Kidsport Miramichi will be hosting a sports equipment drive. By donating your used equipment, you may help a child have access to the sport they love. For more information on Kidsport or the Equipment Drive, please contact Jason Walsh at 623-2054.

Parenting

"love that lasts a lifetime"
 The best gifts you can give a child are free!

The gift of LOVE...

Tell your child "I love you" often. Look at your child as you praise him/her. Be warm and caring with your child.

The gift of TIME...

Follow your child's lead as you play with him/her. Listen to and talk with your child. Make routines fun.

The gift of PROTECTION...

Comfort and reassure your child when he/she is hurt, upset, sick or frightened. Be the person your child can depend on and trust.

Your child's future is in your hands.

Blues News Ticket to Win!

Once you and your son/daughter have read this newsletter, please sign this ticket, cut it out, and have your child return it to the Homeroom Teacher by Thursday, May 20th. One lucky ticket will be drawn for a movie pass. My child and I have read the May Issue of Blues News.

Student: _____

Signature of Parent Guardian: _____

Winner of the Blues News Ticket to Win for April
 Lydia Stewart—8B.