



Belfast Consolidated School Newsletter

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Attendance Line 902-659-7200 #1

At Belfast School we have an Attendance Line which parents/guardians can call anytime of the day. Calling this line will enable us to ensure the safety of your child.

Dates to Remember:

- April 11th- Heritage Fair
- April 12th- Pizza Orders Due
- April 12th- Family Games Night – 6-8PM
- April 13th- PEI H&S AGM
- April 16th- Presentation from Shelly Hassel- 7PM
- April 17th- Pizza Day
- April 18th- Honours Choir- Gillis Lodge- PM
- April 18th- 7/8/9- UPEI trip
- April 19th- Pd Day- No School
- April 24th- Administrative Assistants Day
- April 26th- Student/staff/volunteer Free Breakfast
- April 26th- Grade 6 HPV needles- 10:30AM
- April 25th- Baked Potato Orders Due
- May 1st- Baked Potato Day
- May 3rd- Union meetings- No School
- May 7th- Home and School Meeting 7PM

Phys Ed:

-Any parents or community members who would be willing to help with school athletics please contact Mr. Johnson at tjohnson@edu.pe.ca or (902) 629-0242.

There are coaching positions available this year in Track and Field and Flag football. Mr. Johnson could also use help next year in Volleyball, badminton, golf, Cross-country, and basketball.

BADMINTON:

Tuesday April 9- Intermediate Zone Qualifier

Thursday April 11- Novice Zone Final

Friday April 12- Bantam Zone Final

Tuesday April 16- Intermediate Zone Final

Provincials are the week of April 23, 25 and 27th.

Meets start at 1pm. Start with singles then move onto doubles.

WRESTLING:

Provincials- Saturday April 20th

Congratulations to all our wrestlers and badminton players who are moving on to provincials!

Thank you to our coaches, Wallace Roach, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Ellis and Mr. Munro

Easter Seals Fundraising:

Our 2024 Easter Seals Ambassador Lucie Gallant will be at Belfast School April 25th. We will be fundraising for Easter Seals from April 15th- 24th!

****Each day is by donation for Easter Seals****

- Monday 15th- Jersey Day
- Tuesday 16th- Tie-Dye
- Wednesday 17th- Wacky Wear
- Thursday 18th- Spring Colors Day
- Monday 22nd- Blue and Green Day and Egg Hunt **\$1**
- Tuesday 23rd- PJ Day
- Wednesday 24th- Face painting- **\$1** and anything but a backpack- come up with a creative way to carry your things!
- Each day at 11:30am-12:10pm- Guess how many candies are in the jar. Students can buy a guess for \$0.25.

If we reach our 1st fundraising goal of **\$200.00**, Mrs. Morton, Mrs. Lana, and Mrs. Nancy will let Kindergarten do their make-up for the day!

If we reach our 2nd fundraising goal of **\$500.00**, Mr. Munro and Mrs. MacKinnon will wear their rival hockey/football team's jersey! (Toronto Maple Leafs and New England Patriots)

If we reach our 3rd fundraising goal of **\$700.00**, Mr. Ellis and Mrs. Edward will get water balloons thrown at them by the 7/8/9 class!

If we reach our 4th fundraising goal of **\$900.00**, Mr. Johnson and Mr. Barry will get a pie in the face!!

How Can I Recognize Bullying?

Shelly Hassall will be at Belfast Consolidated School, Tuesday, April 16th at 7PM holding an information session regarding how to recognize bullying and what you can do to help. Shelly will provide the most recent facts about bullying and discuss signs to support parents/guardians with recognizing when bullying is happening to someone in their family. The presentation will then focus on "Building a SHIELD" to empower Youth with the resources that can build resilience against bullying as well as other adverse life experiences.

Please use the link below to pre-register or contact the school- 902-659-7200 ext: 0

<https://forms.gle/7SivCSQoTgPYEq5y5>

Heritage Fair:

Heritage Fair, April 11th, Grade 5/6/7/8/9 projects will be on display throughout the day.

Congratulations to all our Science Fair participants in Grade 7, 8 and 9! Belfast will be represented at the provincial Science Fair on Tuesday, April 9th by Emmylou Ryan and Maya Lungal in Grade 7, Temperance McCormack in Grade 8 and Kayley Carter in Grade 9.

New School Facebook:

We have a new Facebook page! Make sure to follow Belfast Consolidated School to stay up to date on all the last things happening at the school!

[Belfast Consolidated School](#)

PEI Home and School:

School Bus Driver Award

[School Bus Driver of the Year Award](#) recognizes school bus drivers on P.E.I. for keeping our students safe as they travel to and from school daily. [Submit nominations by May 3, 2024.](#)

Cyberbullying Awareness Day

A private member's bill brought forward by Souris-Elmira MLA Robin Croucher proclaimed April 25, 2024, as Cyberbullying Awareness Day, marking the anniversary of islander Harry Burke's death.

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/prince-edward-island/pei-harry-burke-sextortion-1.7150941>

National Volunteer Week, April 14-20, 2024 is a time to celebrate and thank Canada's 24 million volunteers. The theme "Every Moment Matters" highlights the importance of every volunteer and each contribution they make at a moment when we need support more than ever. Let's recognize and celebrate every volunteer and each contribution they're making to strengthen inclusivity and wellbeing in our communities. Now more than ever, Every Moment Matters!
#NVW2024 #EveryMomentMatters

Welcome to Kindergarten:

The 'Welcome to Kindergarten Program' (WTK) is designed to help prepare preschoolers for a positive start to their school journey. Parents and their children will attend spring WTK orientation sessions at local schools where they receive early learning and literacy resources and learn how to use them at home.

Our Welcome to Kindergarten night is Wednesday, May 15th at 6PM.

Home and School Report:

As of March 12th. Home and School has \$7988.03 in their account. The flip-give fundraiser has made \$926.00 and will be deposited into their account soon. In June they will be holding their annual Spring Fling which will roughly cost \$3000.00.

Principal's Report for March 12th, 2024

- A huge note of appreciation to the Home and School for the treats, and meal during staff appreciation week. One of our new staff couldn't believe how well we are treated! I told them; we are spoiled by the group! Thank you to all who supported.
- We have finished off a very busy basketball schedule with the girls' and boys' basketball teams. Both teams had more wins this year than the last few previous years. The gymnastics team only were able to compete at the zone event, as the Provincial Meet was cancelled.
- We have continued to have Shelly Hassel come to our school to work with the K-6 students and staff on social emotional learning. Students, staff and parents have provided very positive feedback.
- We have had Chef Treena MacLeod work with our grade 7-9 students in the kitchen. Students have learned very valuable cooking lessons and have built cohesiveness amongst the class. Chef Treena has provided very tasty, local fair.
- We ran another very successful Toonies for Trayton fundraiser, sending a cheque for just over \$850 in Trayton's name to Heart and Stroke.
- Grade 9's are getting close to the end of their fundraising season for 2023-24. They will be operating the canteen at the Belfast Players play on April 13th. They will also run a Steerman Meat Fundraiser starting April 10th, and close on May 9th. We are also looking into running Go!Play PEI for grades K-4. We will continue to sell scratch tickets at the rink during the Deuce is Loose.
- Teachers offered Parent/Teacher interview times throughout the week of March 4th to 8th to allow for more flexibility for times for parents/guardians.
- We have started our wrestling and badminton teams from February to April. There are various dates and times for these events.
- Lana was acknowledged by the school and the Breakfast Club of Canada for her work for the breakfast program. This happened on International Women's Day, March 8th.
- We had our grade 3/4 classes visit the Confederation Center of the Arts for a field trip. Students had a great time! Our grade 3/4 class will be making a trip to Orwell Corner next week, and our grade 7-9's will be going to Ecole Francois Buote for a field trip to hear a French Group, Le FloFranco as well.
- I followed up on the concern of CHANCES diapers, the sick room, hot meals, and gym heating. At this point, the Home and School's concerns from Jan 22nd, have been addressed.
- Shelly Hassel is coming to the school to present on the topic of what bullying is, and how parents can best build self-esteem/self-confidence in their child(ren). The presentation is Tuesday, April 16th at 7pm.
- The school will be fundraising for Easter Seals in the month of April. More details to follow.
- Asks for Home and School: A. Is there a report from the Bingo? B. Would Home and School be willing to support a spaghetti meal for students and staff at lunchtime March 20th 10am-12:30pm?