



MILLERTON MINUTES

February 2010

Dear Parents

February has had a chilly start and it seems that we are going to get some winter this year after all. Please remember students go outside at noon unless the weather is extreme, so have them dress accordingly. Our students really got behind the "Change for a chance" drive for Haiti and this shows what kind of community is home to this school. The drive collected as much or more than other schools with much larger student populations. We are midterm and classes are moving along it is great to see our attendance numbers strong, one of the best ways to ensure student success is being at school. Have a good Month. Mr. McCabe

Change for a Chance

Madam Donaldson's grade 5 class recently held a very successful fundraising campaign to assist with Haiti relief efforts. The class undertook collecting change from students and staff during their lunch time. For their efforts and the generosity of the Millerton community they are able to make a donation of approximately \$700 to the Canadian Red Cross.

Kindergarten Student Attendance

Our Kindergarten class had an amazing month. The entire class had perfect attendance. January is a hard month on attendance; colds and flus can make it hard for a student to come to school everyday, That is why it is so special when an entire class is able to achieve this. Way to go Kindergarten..

Hockey for Haiti

The Miramichi Timberwolves will play a game against the Miramichi Mix (RCMP, Miramichi City Police and others) on Thursday, February 4 at the Miramichi Civic Center. The game will take place 4:45—6:45 pm. Admission is \$5.00 and there will be door prizes. Millerton students Tanner Gillespie, Andrew Gillespie and Oliver Nowlan, who are junior Timberwolves, will be suiting up to take part as well.

Millerton Recreation Council

The annual general meeting of the Millerton Rec Council will be on Tuesday, February 16. This meeting is open to the community. Come out and see what the Rec Council has to offer. We are always looking for new activities; so come out and share your ideas and expertise. Membership to the Millerton recreation Council is only \$10.00 per year. The meeting will take place in the Millerton School. In case of a storm a new date will be announced.

Floor Hockey

Friday evenings in the school gym at 7:00 pm. Cost \$2.00 Open to all students

Girls Basketball

There will be girls basketball on Sunday afternoon at 2:00. This is open to all ages. Please come with indoor shoes.

Literacy Day Awards

Best Essay - Grade 4: Cassidy Hamilton

Why I love to Read - Grade 3: 1. Hyun Seon Park

2. Hannah Manderville

3. Brianna Mullin

Honourable mention: Wesly Peterson

Participants: Joshua Jardine

- Lauren McKibbon
- David Donovan
- Davey Wilson

**A huge thanks to these ladies for providing delicious cakes
and treats:**

- April Dawson
- Kathy Dawson
- Vicky Newman
- Krista Peterson
- Jackie Murray
- Stephanie Mullin
- Wendy Silliker

Also special thanks to all the students who dressed up, to teacher Cindy Sturgeon (Nancy Drew) and custodian Kathy Dawson (Pinocchio) for sharing in the fun spirit of the day!

A special thanks to everyone who participated
in the 2010 Literacy and Australia Day celebrations.

Australia 2010 Winners

Colouring contests:

Kindergarten - Aussie kangaroo: 1. Morgan Foran 2. Brie Wilson 3. Julie Green
 Kindergarten - Platypus: 1. Julie Green 2. Morgan Foran 3. Sydney Murray
 Grade 1 - Opera House: 1. Lacey Martell 2. Emily McEvoy 3. Karly Peterson & Jordan Jardine
 Grade 1 - Koalas: 1. Alex Nowlan 2. Emily McEvoy 3. Tied: Karly Peterson & Lacey Martell
 Grade 2 - Emu and Frog: 1. Olivia Vickers 2. Owen Wilson 3. Austin Tucker
 Grade 2 - Kangaroo: 1. Olivia Vickers 2. Zakery Singer 3. Travis Stewart
 Grade 3 - Kangaroo and Possum: 1. Hannah Manderville 2. Brianna Mullin 3. Lauren McKibbin
 Grade 4 - Kangaroo and Possum: 1. Erin Moody 2. Cassidy Hamilton 3. Jenna Wilson
 Grade 5 - Kangaroo and Flag: 1. Charley Matchett 2. Alisha Kelly 3. Jordan Manderville
 Grade 5 - Australian Flag: 1. Alisha Kelly 2. Charley Matchett 3. Chloe Sturgeon

Original pictures:

Kindergarten: Sidney Murray with her flag picture
 Grade 2: Sarah Vanderbeck with her picture of Joey 2. Emily McEvoy
 Grade 3: Brianna Mullin with her kangaroo
 Grade 4: Emma Gillespie with her koala and kangaroo and Ben Turcotte with his Australian scene
 Grade 5: Enhanced copied pictures: Chloe Sturgeon, Charley Matchett, Alisha Kelly, Mitchell Sutherland
 Grade 6: Sarah Cosgrove (3) entries; Brittany Mullin
 Grade 8: Makayla Newman

Australian-themed poem

Grade 6: 1. Brittany Mullin 2. Dakota Donovan 3. Tied: Riley Cortes and Jonathan Grant

Posters

Grade 4: Jordan Manderville and Tanner Gillespie
 Grade 6: Sarah Cosgrove

Australia essay. Pretend you won a trip to Australia. Write about where you would go and what you would most like to see.

Grade 6: Brittany Mullin

Special prizes: (Open)

First entry received: Jared Keenan
 Most original work: Grade 4 student Cassidy Hamilton – beautiful flag & painting on canvas (2 prizes)
 Special coloured Australian boy: Caleb Keenan



Bears Basketball

Our winter sports season got off to a great start with about 50 students taking part in a Basketball Skills Clinic in early November. This allowed the older players the opportunity to do some coaching and introduced the younger players to some new skills. The four teams have been practicing every week and continue to develop their knowledge of the game. The Boys and Girls Middle School teams have been playing exhibition games and will start their regular season schedule in January. The Junior Bears will begin playing games after the Christmas Break and the Mini Bears will continue to practice individual skills.

The exhibition season for the Middle School teams will wrap up on December 18th when they will play in the 2nd Annual Students Vs Staff Basketball game. The staff has assembled a squad that features a speedy lineup along with a few new tricks that may give the Middle School Bears some difficulty. Both teams will be looking to get their first win in this event as last year's game ended in a tie.



Home and School

Breakfast with Santa

The Home and School will host a breakfast with Santa on Friday, December 11 in the school cafeteria. This will be free of charge to the students and will take place at the normal time of Breakfast Program.

Pictures with Santa

The Access Center will give your child the opportunity to have their photo taken with Santa on Friday morning following the breakfast. The cost will be \$2.00 per photo.

Christmas Draw

Tickets on a snowman craft (pictured right) and a \$50 SuperStore gift certificate are presently on sale. The draw date is Wednesday, December 16 at the Christmas concert. Attached is 1 book of 3 tickets if you wish to purchase or sell them. Please return sold tickets to the school by Tuesday, December 15.

