



North Queens Community School



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Administration Message

Welcome to December! November has been jam packed full of activities. Our Remembrance Day Assembly went very well. Thank you to the community members, staff and students who participated in this very memorable ceremony.

Our Christmas Concert is on Tuesday, December 15 at 6:30 pm. The snow date for the concert is Wednesday, December 16. A free will offering will be taken at the door.

Our last day of classes before the Christmas break is Friday, December 18. This is a full day

of classes with dismissal at the regular time of 2:42 pm. The first day of school for 2016 is January 4.

Hope you and your family have a safe and Merry Christmas!

Respectfully,
Sarah Baker
Vice-Principal

Important Dates:

December 10—Christmas Ball, 7—10 pm (Grade 7—12 students)

December 15—Christmas Concert at 6:30 pm

December 16—Christmas Concert
Snow date

December 18—Last day of classes before Christmas Break

January 4—First day of classes

January 13—CLT, Students dismissed at 1:15 pm

Christmas Concert

The Christmas concert is coming. Show starts at 6:30 pm on Tuesday, December 15. The

snow date will be Wednesday, December 16.

Food and Toy Drive

The students and staff are having a food and toy drive for Queens County families. It is something you would like to support please drop off your contribution before Wednesday, December

16. All toys should be new items.

Home and School News

The Christmas season is fast approaching us and once again the PTA is selling tickets on a gift card basket valued at \$500. It contains various gift cards for the whole family. It will be drawn at the Christmas concert on

Tuesday, December 15.

The Artwork Calendar fundraiser was a huge success!

Thank you for your continued support and

may all of you have a joyous holiday season.

The next meeting will be January 12 at 6:30 pm

Yours truly,
NQCS Home and School



*"Life is like riding
a bicycle to keep
your balance you
must keep
moving."*

~Albert Einstein

Student Council Update

As the snow begins to fall we are all reminded that Christmas break is just around the corner. If there is one thing Student Council loves to do it's celebrate in a big way. Christmas Ball, Winter Carnival, and a delicious pancake breakfast are some of the activities we are planning for the upcoming month.

This year as a group we have decided to host the Christmas ball, themed the 'Snow-Ball', on Dec 10 from 7-10 pm for grades 7-12. Students are invited to come out in

their most dashing semi-formal attire and to dance their wool socks off.

On Dec 18, don't eat your normal breakfast at home, but it's ok if you do! Student Council will be making pancakes for the whole school, elementary, Junior/Senior and staff. Following our tasty breakfast we will be having a fun filled day for the Junior/Senior students to help spread the holiday cheer!

Student council would like to extend a special Thank You to everyone who showed up and supported

our very talented students at the recent Coffee House on Nov 17. We raised \$190, through donations, towards a new Student Council sponsored scholarship that will be given to a deserving student at graduation 2016. It is our hope that this scholarship will become an annual award by raising money through various events such as the very successful coffee house. Also a big thank you to all who helped out. We cannot wait to see you at the next Coffee House in the spring of 2016.

Library Resources for Individuals with Autism

Autism Nova Scotia's South Shore Chapter invites families of individuals with Autism to a private visit at the Margaret Hennigar Public Library located at the LCLC. This

is happening on Monday, Dec. 21 from 5-6 pm. For further information please contact 902-543-9222. This is your opportunity to come check out our new library with over 20,000

books, DVD's, magazine, resources and free access to computers. All items can be returned at any of our branches. Children can also do a Christmas craft.



It's Cold Outside!

With the onset of colder weather, students are wearing hats and gloves/mittens to school. Please remind

your children to store their hats and gloves/mittens in the sleeve of their coat. Children should not be sharing

hats with other students. Please always send your child to school with a jacket, as they will be outside at

North Queens Remembers 2015

Staff and students gathered together on November 10 to pay respect to the men and woman who sacrifice their lives for our freedom. Jacob F.

Mr. Strong welcomed us ... the welcome was followed by O'Canada. Autumn Carver sang and was accompanied by Malcolm Freeman on the piano. Next was Jamie Jerney who sang and played the Honour song on the drum. That had to be my favourite part. Lacey

After the closure of our local Legion last year, not many people were sure what would happen to the services held in Caledonia. Hayley

To the pleasure of the Grade 11 students, North Queens had both a school service and a well attended November 11 service for past and present members of the Legion and Canada's military.

Even without a contest, students still showed their talent. From grade prima-

ry to eleven, students gave presentations and sang songs about peace, sacrifice and the importance of remembrance. Hayley

Art made by students ... was hung for the community guests to see and those in attendance commented on how nice the ceremony was. Hayley

Mrs. Rhodenizer... thanked everyone for their hard work. North Queens will remember. Shayla

*"Courage doesn't
always roar,
sometimes it's the
little voice at the end
of the day that says
I'll try again
tomorrow."*

*~ Mary Anne
Bradmacher*

Lost and Found Bin

Please note that all items remaining in

our Lost & Found after December 18 will be do-

nated to a local charity.

PATHS Update

December has come will soon be gone. As we move into our winter break students should be reminded to use their PATHS strategies over

the break if and when they become excited, upset or overtired. Remind your children about "doing Turtle" or using the Control Signals Poster to calm

down. Ask them to use their words to tell others how they are feeling. Have a safe, relaxing and wonderful break.



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