

 Blackville School

September 2017 Newsletter



It is a pleasure to welcome everyone back for another great year at Blackville School. We are all excited to have students back in our classrooms and hallways, filling them with enthusiasm for learning and socialization. It is our mission to help every child feel welcome, connected and part of our Blackville School Community.

At Blackville School we have great Teachers, Educational Assistants, Bus Drivers, Custodians and Parents who are all connected and part of our students learning and school life.

We are honoured to serve as Administrators at Blackville School.

We all have an important role in ensuring our students’ success and looking forward to 2017-2018 school year! If at any time you have any questions or concerns , don’t hesitate to give us a call at 843-2900.

 Rodney, Angela, Amy & Loretta

***Volunteers***

*If you are interested in volunteering at the school or know of someone who is, please advise the school secretary at 843-2900*

***Tutors***

 If you are interested in tutoring at the school, please contact the school at 843-2900

**POLICY 701**

Policy for the Protection of Students from Misconduct by Adults in the Public School System (1996).

**Please be reminded that adults who work, volunteer, or want to visit the school (ie. to have lunch) MUST have Policy 701 training**. This can now be accessed on the web at [www.701.nbed.nb.ca](http://www.701.nbed.nb.ca)

**VISITING THE SCHOOL**

When visiting the school, please check in at the office. ***All*** parents/visitors to the school must have a **Visitor’s Pass** if they are going to proceed further than the main office. Visitor passes **will not** be issued during the course of the instructional day. Should it be necessary that you need to communicate directly with your child, your child will be called to the office by the school Secretary. More than ever, it is imperative that teachers get the most out of instructional time, so as not to impede on the education of our children. Thank you for your anticipated co-operation.

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School Bus Rules

Please review the following School Bus Rules with your children:

* Obey the driver
* Respect others
* Remain seated
* Keep aisle clear
* Talk quietly



**CLOSED CAMPUS**

Blackville School is a “Closed Campus”, students are not permitted to sign out at lunch time. **Students can only be signed out by “their parent”** or guardian. **Phone calls** **WILL NOT** be accepted as a means to sign students out. Thank you for your cooperation with this

**SPORTS FEES**

All Middle School Sports Fees are **$50** for each sport.

All High School Sports Fees are **$150** each.

Payable at the start of each sport season.

**ALL SPORTS FEES MUST BE PAID IN FULL *BEFORE* RECEIVING UNIFORMS/PLAYING GAMES**



**BUS PASSES**

In an effort to make transfers happen smoothly, we are asking that you send a written request to the school with your child indicating the **address** your child is going to, as well as the bus they need to travel on to get there. These notes will be processed by the secretary each day. Bus transfers **will not** be granted for social purposes. ***Students will be allowed one alternate address that bus passes will be written for***.

**Telephone requests are for emergency cases ONLY!**

**Reminder:** the zone in front of the school is closed to traffic from 7:50 am to 4:00 pm daily for the following reasons:

* it is a bus loading zone
* it is used as a walking area by students at noon
* it is designated as an area for classes to go during an emergency evacuation

Marked parking spaces are provided at the edge of the lawn for use by parents and visitors. Students are asked to use the back row of parking area.

Thank you for helping us keep this area safe!

**Students who live within walking distance of the school are required to bring a one-time note into the office stating that they are permitted to walk home after school, which will be kept at the office.**



**Microwaves**

Microwave ovens are provided in the cafeteria for the purpose of heating food, not cooking food. Line-ups for the microwave can be long and time-consuming. Thank you for your cooperation with this.



**Cell Phone Policy**

Cell Phones are not permitted to be “TURNED ON” inside classrooms. All cellphones will be placed in a safe designated area of the classroom

Students are permitted to use cell phones in open areas of the school including the cafeteria, locker areas and hallways—before the 8:30 am bell, during nutrition break, lunch break, and after 3:00 pm.

***Picture taking with cell phones is strictly prohibited***

First Violation: those found in violation of this policy will have their phone seized by the teacher who will turn it in to the administration. Parents will be called to come to the school to pick the phone up.

Second Violation: Student/parent choice of a one-day suspension out-of-school or the cell phone is surrendered to the office where it is locked up for a period of one week from the time of violation.

Third Violation: Student/Parent choice of two day suspension out-of-school or the cell phone is surrendered to the office where it is locked up for a period of two weeks from the violation.

Further violations will result in escalating consequences



Home and School Message:

Home and School

Welcome back to our students and teachers at Blackville School.  We had another successful year with Home and School and we are looking for ideas and support from all you parents.  You do not have to commit to everything.  Remember, this is about giving back to our kids in the school.  With your newsletter there will be a membership form.  If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact any member, teacher or ask to join our group on Facebook.  We are looking for another successful year in 2017-2018.  The next Home and School meeting is on October 4th at 7:00 pm to finalize Family Fall Fair, anyone able to donate preserves, pickles, used books, movies, fudge, would be greatly appreciated. You can call Erica 843-6741 or text to 625-0456. Thank you for your continued support.

Respectfully,

Erica Maillet

President of the Blackville Home and School

**ORANGE SHIRT DAY**

We encourage all students to wear orange t-shirts on September 29th. Orange shirt day is an opportunity for First Nations, local governments , schools and communities to come together in the spirit of reconciliation and hope for generations of children to come.



**The Blackville Talon**The Journalism 120 students will start updating the Blackville Talon in the next few weeks. So make sure to check it out at theblackvilletalon.com and follow the online school newspaper on Twitter @BvilleTalon

**Yearbook 2017**
Yearbook 2017 ordering will be available soon. Paper forms will be available at the office and online ordering will be an option as well. Stay tuned for further details.

**Elementary Cross Country**

Elementary Cross Country will be starting next week.
Practices: at lunch (outdoor recess) Grades 3-5

Meet Schedule is posted below.

Sign Up Sheets are in Classrooms

**Email List**

A reminder to all grade 12 students and their parents to please provide Mrs. Breau with their email address. This is how important information regarding scholarships and university/college open houses, visits, deadlines, etc will be communicated.  The information will also be posted on Mrs. Breau's teacher page.

**AARAO Tour**

The annual AARAO tour will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 20th at Miramichi Valley High School. The grade 12 students will be travelling to MVHS for the morning of the 20th.

**ASD - North**

**Elementary Grades 3-5 Cross Country Schedule**

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**Meet #2 -  Max Aitken Academy**

**Wednesday, September 27th – Start time 4:00 PM**

Location: Croft Soccer Field (parents park in front parking lot)

Contact Person: Ryan Flynn

**Meet #1 – Blackville School**

**Wednesday, September 20th – Start time 4:00 PM**

Location: Blackville School

Contact Person: Rodney Buggie/DJ Mason

**Meet #4 – Gretna Green School**

**Wednesday, October 11th – Start time 4:00 PM**

Location: GG Playground (parents park in parent/staff parking lot)

Contact Person: Brandon Ryan

**Meet #3 – Heritage Park (Metepenagiag)**

**Wednesday, October 4th – Start time 4:00 PM**

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| Location: Red Bank |

Contact Person: Jessica Dunnett/Vanessa Googoo/Dave Gillham

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**Meet Format-**

* **There will be two classifications.(Open Girls – Grade 3-4-5 and Open Boys - Grade 3-4-5)**
* **Races are approximately 1 Km (\*\*\*\*Note: Host schools will need volunteer spotters on the trail and also people to take registrations/hand out coach packages and to hand out ribbons at the end of the race.)**
* **Individual - Ribbons will be awarded for 1st through 8th place for each race**
* **Schools will be expected to assist with tabulation of results (1 person/school)**