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September Newsletter

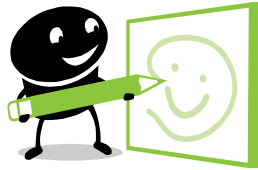
Dear Parents/Guardians,

Hello! ☺ A big warm WELCOME to Gr.
3 French Immersion!



It is an absolute pleasure to be back to school and to be welcoming your child into my classroom!

This is a “big event” for your child as he/she is not only entering a new school, but a new grade level to learn a new language. Please be rest assured that feelings of nervous excitement and perhaps even some apprehension are completely normal and



to be expected. I am very confident that the warm and friendly atmosphere at Hampton Elementary School will quickly ease any “jitters” ...for both

students and parents! ☺ We make it our personal goal to create classrooms that nurture your children with feelings of comfort, safety and fun!

Our “doors are ALWAYS open” and we encourage open communication between home and school. The best way to



contact me is via email nicole.fougere-leblanc@nbed.nb.ca or by phone after 3pm.

832-6021. You may also send in notes in your child’s agenda.

The following is a general overview of what to expect this year.

Your child's school day will include the listed subjects:



***French Language Arts** (*Includes Social Studies/Science/Wellness Units)

***Math** (same curriculum as the English program)

***Music** (Tuesday and Thursday)

***Physical Education** (Monday, Thursday, and Friday)

*Your child may want to dress in clothing allowing him/her to move comfortably on these days. 😊

***English Language Arts** (*Includes Social Studies/Science/Wellness Units

150min./week)

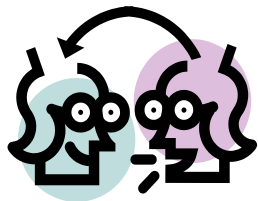
***Library** (once/week)

***Art**

***Guidance** (once/2 weeks)

French Language Arts:

Various themes will be developed (“All About Me”, Family, Food, Sports, Clothing, Community, etc...) Through these themes students will not only develop the ability to communicate in French, but also an understanding of the cultural aspect of learning a second language.



The tasks that they undertake (oral, reading and writing) will develop their cognitive abilities and allow them to discuss issues related to their personal

life experiences! ☺ Over the next few days we will be transitioning from English to French. *Any issues of importance or emergency will be addressed in English and we do not want the children to feel that they could never speak with us regarding an important issue that needs to be more easily expressed in their first language.*

**On that note, I will be encouraging speaking in French –any and all words—from day 1.* Good language learners must take risks and we are here to support them! We let them know that stepping outside of their “comfort zone” and making and correcting errors are a natural part of experimenting with language and learning! ☺ As we progress, their confidence will rise and it will be an extremely rewarding journey!



Announcements:

*Homework will begin Monday, September 10th.

*The school fee is \$60. * New this year, teachers will not be collecting money for this. Please pay on line or see Mrs. Long, our school secretary to help you out. DO NOT SEND \$ WITH YOUR CHILD. Thank you! ☺



*If you are free to volunteer in the classroom or for special events at H.E.S. we would love to have you! ☺

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to teach your child and help him/her grow!

Nicole Fougère-LeBlanc

