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WEEK OF: September 21st-25th



WEEK AT A GLANCE

MON SEPT. 21

- Grade 5 Open Gym for interested students

TUES SEPT. 22

- Grade 4 Open Gym for interested students
- Cross Country Fun Run at the qplex for interested Gr. 3-5 students

WED SEPT. 23

- Grade 3 Open Gym for interested students
- Home and School Meeting at 7pm

THURS SEPT. 24

- Grade 2 Open Gym for interested students

FRI SEPT. 25

- No School- Pilot Calendar Day- numeracy focus



UPCOMING DATES

- Sept. 28th- Terry Fox Walk
- Sept. 29th- Lockdown practice
- Sept. 29th- Cross Country Fun Run @qplex
- Sept. 30th- National Truth & Reconciliation Day
- Sept. 30th- Deadline to pay student fees
- October- Learning Disabilities Month & Dyslexia Awareness Month
- Oct. 1st- Photo Retakes
- Oct. 2nd- Fire drill
- Oct. 5th- Fall running club begins (for grades 3-5)
- Oct. 6th- World Cerebral Palsy Day
- Oct. 7th- Cross Country Fun Run @ Wolastoq Park, Saint John
- Oct. 9th- Calendar Pilot Day
- Oct. 12th- Thanksgiving
- Oct. 13th-16th- Kindergarten Registration Week
- Oct. 15th- Off Site Evacuation



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- Good news! The online ordering issues have finally been resolved. Cask and Kettle are just finalizing a few details on their end, including the start date and menu options. Please expect more information early next week. Thank you so much for your patience as we worked through this process.
- As we head into a busy fall season at Fairvale, there will be lots of opportunities for families to get involved! Next week's family message will include a detailed Home & School Volunteer Sign-Up Form for the first half of the school year, with information about dates, times, and specific volunteer roles. Some of the volunteer opportunities this fall include: Playground Committee, Halloween Fun Night, Santa Claus Parade Float, Holiday Family Movie Night, Holiday Workshop, and our Holiday Dinner.
- We are looking for volunteers to help during our weekly library class visits throughout the school year. Library classes are scheduled on the half hour, with students spending approximately 20 minutes in the library. Volunteers help students check books in and out, shelve books, and keep our library running smoothly. Most classes visit the library every week. Due to their English and Intensive French schedules:
- Mme Johnson's Grade 4/5 class will visit during Weeks 1–3 of each month and Mrs. O'Connell's Grade 5 class will visit during Weeks 2–4 of each month. If you're interested in volunteering in the library, we'd love to hear from you! Please email FESlibraryco@gmail.com more information or to sign up.
- A six-week English Conversation Cohort that will be offered at Rothesay Hive, starting September 16, 2026. The program will take place every Wednesday from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. and provides a friendly and welcoming environment where participants can practice and improve their English, build confidence, and develop their everyday communication skills through conversation and engaging activities. The program is open to everyone, regardless of immigration status or English level.
- 📅 Start Date: September 16, 2026
- 📅 Duration: 6 weeks
- 🕒 Time: Wednesdays, 3:00–4:00 p.m.
- 📍 Location: Rothesay Hive, 70 Hampton Road, Rothesay
- Recognition of Participation
- Participants who complete the six-week cohort will have the opportunity to receive recognition of participation at the end of the program.
- Registration is required.
- To register, please email Hiba at hiba.hachicha@sjnewcomers.ca.





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- Our annual **Terry Fox Walk** will take place on Monday, September 28 at 12:00 p.m. Students will walk the route with their buddy classes, beginning on School Avenue and following a loop through Isaac Street, Kailyn Street, and Paige Street before returning to the school. We are encouraging each student to bring a toonie donation in support of the Terry Fox Foundation and cancer research. Thank you for helping us continue Terry's legacy of hope, courage, and determination. Family members are welcome to join us.
- Our **breakfast program** is now up and running and is available to any student who would like to participate. We have two options-Sit Down Option from 7:45-8:05 in our STEAM room with toast and cereal available or the Grab-and-Go Option available in the lobby and at the back entrance and includes apples and MadeGood granola bar.
- Many of our students walk to school each day and regularly use the crosswalks on School Avenue (near the playground side of the school) and Strong Street (in front of the school). We ask all drivers to be especially **mindful of pedestrians** and to follow all traffic and parking regulations during arrival times. Thank you for your cooperation and support as we work together to ensure a safe, smooth, and efficient arrival for all students.
- For student safety, our **only after-school pick-up location is on the playground side of the building**. Families are asked to wait outside the fence for their child(ren). Once the teacher has seen you and made eye contact, your child will be dismissed to you. Kindergarten to Grade 2 students are typically dismissed at approximately 2:15 p.m., while students in the upper elementary grades are dismissed at approximately 2:20 p.m. Thank you for your cooperation in helping us ensure a safe, orderly, and efficient dismissal for all students.
- Please remember that **only school staff are permitted on the playground** during the school day (7:45 a.m. to 2:20 p.m.). This practice helps us maintain a safe, secure, and well-supervised environment for all students.





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- The **RAINBOWS program** is designed to support children who have experienced significant life changes or losses due to separation, divorce, death, or other family transitions. Through age-appropriate activities and discussions, students are given opportunities to express their feelings, better understand their experiences, develop a sense of belonging, and learn healthy ways to cope with change. Participation is always based on each child's comfort level. Please refer to the attached information for additional details. If you have questions, please contact our school counsellor, Earl Urquhart, at Earl.Urquhart@nbed.nb.ca.
- A friendly reminder that the **all-inclusive student fee** (\$70 per student) is payable by the end of September through School Cash Online. If you do not already have an account, please register at asd-s.schoolcashonline.com. Thank you for your prompt attention and continued support. Should you require a payment plan, please reach out to me at Bonnie.Hierlihy@nbed.nb.ca
- Our Grades 3-5 students have been invited to join other elementary schools in the Hampton Ed Centre for four **Cross Country Fun Runs**. The first three are at the qplex on the James Rolfe field and the fourth is in Saint John at Wolastoq Park on Lancaster Avenue. The races at the qplex will begin at 3:15 and the final one in Saint John will begin at 3:30. Information was sent home by our physical education teachers with interested students earlier this week. Transportation to and from the run must be provided by and/or arranged by parents/guardians.
- On designated mornings, students in a specific grade level are invited to participate in our **Morning Open Gym program** from 7:45-8:00 a.m. This is a great opportunity for students to start their day with movement, physical activity, and fun before heading to class. Students may enter the gym upon arrival and enjoy shooting hoops or other similar activities.
- Please report your child's absence(s) using the **Safe Arrival program** (any of these three convenient methods):
 1. Using your mobile device, download and install the SchoolMessenger app from the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store (or from the links at <https://go.schoolmessenger.ca>). . Select Attendance then Report an Absence.
 2. Use the SafeArrival website, <https://go.schoolmessenger.ca>. Select Attendance then Report an Absence.
 3. Call the toll-free number 1-833-219-9065 to report an absence using the automated phone system.These options are available 24 hours/day, 7 days a week. Future absences can be reported at any time.
- The first time you use any the app or website, you need create an account.





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Highlights from our week!



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