

Dear Parent(s) / Guardian(s),



May already! Planning for yearend closing activities and the 2018-2019 school year are well under way! Our AP Capstone Program has all of our students writing their final exams with all other students around the world on the same days. Our Capstone Program is doing exceptionally well with our students outperforming the rest of the world when we compare our average results with the global results. The rest of our staff and students are preparing for year-end final assessments or exams and completing assignments to ensure course credits or grade level outcomes. This is a very busy time of the year.

Please take the time to check in with your child in order to ensure that she/he is being supported and that everything is getting done. Our Parent Portal is a great communication tool to keep all families informed of how your child is doing at school. Being organized and making sure that nothing is forgotten can make year-end at school less stressful and more enjoyable, as it should be. Our students are doing well here at school and we want every one of them to continue this until the final day of June. Here are a few things that we have been focusing on over the past month.

Safe Grad Fundraiser

I want to thank all of our parents and grads along with our staff who ran one of our most successful grad yard sales to date. They brought in more than \$4000.00 and a big “THANK YOU” goes out to Chuck Hennessey and Scotia Bank for making a \$3000.00 donation and the Royal Bank for their \$1000.00 donation to our grads to help support our grad class in an all-night party supervised by our staff and parents!



Student Driving

We have been speaking to our students who drive to and from school about being respectful and safe drivers over the past month. Please continue to reinforce safe driving practices with your child at home. We have great students at our school and we do not want them to make a poor decision that could impact them for the short or long term. Texting while driving is becoming a major concern so please let your child know that this practice is extremely unsafe and against the law.



Lieutenant Governor Medal Nominees

Our staff has been given the difficult task of nominating the most outstanding grade 11 students from our school. After much deliberation our selection committee recognized Aiden Hainstock and Samuel McNally as our two most outstanding students in grade 11 as this year’s recipients of the prestigious Lieutenant Governor Medals. These students received their medals at the Halifax Library last week by our Lieutenant Governor, the Honourable Arthur J. LeBlanc. Congratulations Aiden and Samuel



Dress Appropriately



With the warm weather coming we are re-visiting appropriate attire for a public setting. It is important that all of our students wear appropriate clothing that represents their selves in a manner of dress suited for a school and public environment. We also want to see only positive comments and/or graphics that would be appropriate in a school setting. Please help us educate our students as they make fashion choices that represent them in a positive light.

Fine Arts Successes

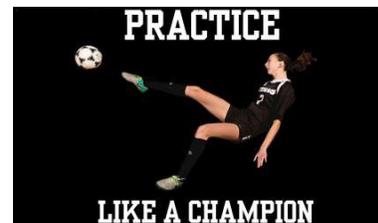


Our school bands were amazing at this year's Music Festival with our Senior Concert Band receiving a Silver standing and our Junior Concert Band and our Senior Jazz Band receiving gold standings for their performances! Both of our gold standing bands were asked to perform at the Festival of the Stars concert on closing day for their accomplishments as being the best bands of the festival! Our Drama team wrote, produced and performed their original play, "Succession" to more than 200 audience members here at school. They get a great job with their play. Our actors were at a four day DramaFest event in Halifax where they excelled with hundreds of other high school students. Our Middle School Drama club is performing their plays next week here at school as well. Our Fine Arts programs are working overtime here at Northeast Kings and it is so rewarding to seeing them shine.

Motivational Banners



We have created banners with our own students as the model to send positive messages to all of our students. Here are a couple fo our finished products. They look sensational. They have been received with very positive comments from our students, staff and community members. We have another four banners being produced over the next month to be unveiled for September 2018. Stay tuned.



Ambassadors for our School and Community:

We really have a great school here at Northeast Kings Education Centre. The reason for this is that we have great students who are handling all the many choices they are presented with daily in a responsible fashion. They occasionally do not make the best decisions some times but we hope that they learn from their experiences so that they can be a great citizen when they finally leave our school community. Another reason that we have such a wonderful school is the fact that we have fantastic staff that genuinely cares

about our students. They do not just focus on the academics but they also support all of our students' social and emotional growth as they mature into young adult citizens.

Enjoy the spring weather and continue to be involved with your child's education.

Kevin Veinot