



# Matthew Matters

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## Parent Teacher Interviews!

On Thursday, March 25th, we will hold our Parent Teacher Interviews. Reports will go home on Tuesday, March 23rd, and you can call the school at any time to book an appointment to see your child's teacher. Teachers are available for appointments from 11:00am to 4:00pm. If this time frame is problematic for you, then please call for alternate arrangements. Also, we have heard many parents say that they might not need to come because their child is doing really well. We think that is a perfect reason to come and see us. It shows your children that you care about their education and that you and the school are working together.

**Students will be dismissed at 10:15am Thursday, March 25th!**

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## We Want You...

Well not really you—but your email address. We would really like to create an email list for all of our parents that use email on a regular basis. We could then email notices and newsletters directly to you as they become available. If you would like to be on this list, please send an email to [elaineabbott@esdnl.ca](mailto:elaineabbott@esdnl.ca) with **school contact list** in the subject line. There is no need to write anything in the body of the email.

## Back it Up!!!!

Some parents and community members have noticed that all of our staff reverse into their parking spaces as they arrive for work. We got this idea from a sign on the Marystown Arena which stated their commitment to this act of safety, and we pledged as a staff that we would do the same to help keep our school safer for our children. So, onto you the torch is passed!! Do you reverse in at home or at work? Are there areas in our community where you recognize this need? Can you make it happen? We think you can—the safety of our children depends on it!!

## Student Council Rocks the House!!!

Ms. Harvey, Ms. Elliott, Ms. Oldford, and Ms. Dalton have teamed up to start the best Student Council that has ever been created. The ideas they have are awesome and it all starts with the Student Council Elections which will be held as part of our Education Week activities on March 8th. There will be in-class speeches and elections for grades four through eight, and in the afternoon session, the grade three Student Council as well as all elementary and intermediate students will listen to the speeches of students who are seeking the positions of President and Vice President. Parents are welcome to come listen in!

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### School Holidays

April 02—09

May 24

June 24 is our Last Day

### Mark Your Calendar!

- \* March 7—11 is Education Week.
- \* March 15—School Closed for students
- \* Students dismissed at 10:15 on March 25th.

## Education Week is Here!

Education week celebrations will be taking place all next week. We have some exciting things planned as is indicated by our schedule below. Please stick this schedule on your fridge so you have a reference through out the week. In addition, all of our newsletters are posted on our web site, so if you misplace any of them, or need to refer back, they are there for you. We want to thank Ms. Ryder-Ayles and her team for all of the work they have put into organizing these events for us.

### Monday, March 8    **My Home/My Family**

- Show and Tell - bring something special from home.
- Baby Pictures - bring a baby picture and see if your classmates recognize you.
- P.J. Day - wear your favorite P.J.'s.

### Tuesday, March 9                    **My School**

- Breakfast Program Donations (Cheeze Whiz, Jam, Cheerios, or butter!)
- Student Council Elections

### Wednesday, March 10                **My Community**

- Come Home Year Posters to celebrate our town.
- Matthew/Cabot Day - wear clothes with Matthew or Cabot symbols!

### Thursday, March 11                **My Province**

- Newfoundland Day - wear clothing that represents our Newfoundland Culture. (Be sure you know why it represents Newfoundland)

### Friday, March 12                **My Country**

- Canada Day - Why Visit Canada?
- Wear red and white clothes to represent Canada.