

PARENT NEWSLETTER

MORELL CONSOLIDATED MAY 2024

Dear Families of MCS,

Happy Spring! It certainly is nice to see the sun and some signs of spring. Unfortunately, that means some muddy days on the playground but fresh air and exercise are important!

Teachers are working hard to review and assess foundational learnings. Students are making progress with literacy and numeracy skills. Numerous students have had opportunities to participate in Badminton Meets, and Science and Heritage Fairs at the school and provincial levels. Spring sports such as Track & Field, Softball, and Flag Football are starting. Mr. Bernard is working hard on the spring concert for later this month. Mr. Bauer is organizing a Pie the Morell Cons, Staff member in the face, as a way to raise money for Jump Rope for Heart.

The staff here at MCS continue to work hard to ensure the students are developing a broad skill set to prepare them for the challenges ahead. Students and staff are looking forward to attending drama productions, year end field trips, and a grade 8 trip and closing ceremony. Students are excited to see a sandbox added to the primary playground. Thank you to the Home & School for the financial support for this project. As well, Home & School are providing financial support for upcoming field trips. Your contributions through COSPEI are very much appreciated!

Ms. Michaela Oliver

Important Dates For May

April 29th	Gr. 6 HPV Vaccinations
April 30th	Provincial Heritage Fair
May 1st	Token Order Day
May 3rd	Area Association Professional Meeting Day/CUPE Annual Convention - No Classes for Students
May 10th	Gr. 5 -8 attending "The Addams Family" at Confederation Centre Jump Rope For Heart - Pie the Staff Member
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May 13th	Home & School Meeting - 6:00 p.m.

May 15th	Grade K - 4 attending Willy Wonka in Montague
	Grade 8 Cavendish Fry & Hotdog Fundraiser
May 16	Track & Field - Zone 4 Meet @ UPEI (Rain Date TBD)
May 20th	Victoria Day - No Classes
May 23rd	Spring Concert @ 6:30 pm
May 30th	Welcome To Kindergarten @ 6:00 p.m 7:15 p.m.
June 1st	Track & Field Provincials @ UPEI
June 7th	Kindergarten Orientation – 9:00 a.m 11:30 a.m. There will not be any school for this year's kindergarten students on this day.

UTENSILS & WATER BOTTLES:

Students bringing lunches to school which require forks & spoons are asked to bring your own. Our staffroom has a limited supply. With the weather gradually getting warmer, students should remember to bring their water bottles.

HOT MEAL PROGRAM:

Pizza will be available every **Tuesday** for students to order. Milk is also available to students daily. We have both chocolate and white milk.

PIZZA & MILK TOKEN DAY:

On WEDNESDAY, MAY 1st, parents are asked to determine the amount of each item needed for the month and send in their order with payment. Please clip and use the order form for May which is included in this newsletter. (If you do not have a printer at home, just write your order on a piece of paper and include all the information that is requested on the form.) It is suggested that this comes in an envelope or baggie which can then be used to place the tokens in to go home. Please make sure that your child's name & grade are on the order form.

We ask parents to send one order per family and pay by cheque, if possible, (payable to Morell Consolidated School) in order to limit the amount of cash that has to be handled. Tokens will be usable all year so there is no problem carrying them over from one month to the next. If your child is out of school on the day the tokens are being sold (or forgets to take the order to school), please call in your order to the office on that day and your order will be processed and can be picked up and paid for at the school office when your child returns to school. Token Order Day will always be on the FIRST WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH unless it is a holiday or a storm day. Tokens would then be sold on the next school day.

MAY TOKEN ORDER

How Many	Coupon	Total for this item
	Pízza Tokens @ \$2.50 =	
	Chocolate Milk @ .80 =	
	White Milk @ .50 =	
	Total Submitted	

Student's Nam	e
Grade/Class	

AREA ASSOCIATION PROFESSIONAL MEETING DAY:

Just a reminder that there will <u>not</u> be any school for students next **Friday, May 3rd** as teachers will be attending the Area Association Professional Meeting Day and non-instructional staff will be attending their Annual Conventions.

TRACK & FIELD MEETS:

Track and Field Tryouts are underway! Once the team is chosen, information will go home regarding practices after school. The plan is to offer practices on Tuesdays and Thursdays after school until 4pm. The Zone 4 Track and Field Meet will take place @ UPEI - Thursday, May 16th (Rain Date TBD). For those who qualify for Provincials, we will offer additional practices. The Provincials will be held on Saturday, June 1st @ UPEI.

BADMINTON

Congratulations to all students who represented Morell Consolidated at the Bantam & Novice Badminton qualifying tournament and Zone Finals. As well, a big congratulations to team members Allie Rossiter, Rosalie Palmer, Leah Burrows, who advanced to Provincials!

GRADE 8 GRAD FUNDRAISER

The grade 8 class will be selling ADL cheese gift packs to help raise funds for their year end festivities. The cost of a 3 pack of Dairy Isle Cheese is \$20. Feel free to reach out to the school if you are interested in purchasing a pack. Email dwdoyle@edu.pe.ca for more information.

Grade 8 Grad Hoodie Order forms went home Friday! The cost of a hoodie is \$50. Orders are due back Wednesday, May 8th

The students will also be hosting a Cavendish French Fry and Hotdog Fundraiser on Wednesday, May 15th. French fries will cost \$3 and hotdogs \$2. MCS community members are welcome to drop by and support the grade 8 class!.

Save the Date: Grade 8 graduation will take place on Monday, June 24th. Invitations will be sent home in June.

VICTORIA DAY:

There will <u>not</u> be any school for students on **Monday, May 20th**, Victoria Day.

SPRING CONCERT - May 23rd:

Students in Grade K-6 will participate in a Spring Concert on **Thursday, May 23rd at 6:30 pm.**. Doors will open at 6:15pm. Admission to the concert is by donation. All donations are used to cover the cost of the concert and purchasing new instruments for music class. The songs will be a combination of singing, dancing and instrumental arrangements. Costumes are school appropriate pajamas. No slippers please. Kindergarten students are asked to bring a small "cozy special friend" (stuffy). We suggest it isn't the favorite one just in case it is ever lost or damaged.

WELCOME TO KINDERGARTEN:

Welcome To Kindergarten Orientation will be held for the children who will be entering Kindergarten in September, 2024 on **Thursday, May 30, 2024 @ 6:00pm - 7:15pm**. Parents and the new kindergarten students are both invited to attend.

KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION:

On **Friday, June 7, 2024**, the students who will be entering Kindergarten in September, 2024 will spend two and half hours with the kindergarten teachers. Parents are asked to drop their child off at 9:00 a.m. and pick their child up in the front lobby of the school at 11:30 a.m.. Please bring a water bottle and morning snack. (PLEASE NOTE: THIS YEAR'S KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS WILL <u>NOT</u> HAVE ANY SCHOOL ON JUNE 7th.)

OUTDOOR CLOTHING:

We would like to remind parents that students should come dressed appropriately for outdoor recesses. This includes warm coats on cooler days, splash pants and rubber boots on rainy days.

LOST & FOUND:

Please remind your child(ren) to check the lost and found if they are missing any clothing, footwear, etc.