

Florenceville Middle School

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UPCOMING EVENTS

September 2026

- 8th – First Day, Grade 6 ONLY
- 9th – all students 6-8 attend school
- 18th – District School Improvement Planning *No School
- 25th -Professional Day *No School
- 29th – Truth and Reconciliation Learning Day
- 30th – National Day of Truth and Reconciliation *No School

October 2026

- 2nd – Terry Fox Day
- 7th – School Newsletter
- 9th – Professional Day *No School
- 12th – Thanksgiving *No School
- 20th – School Picture Day
- 23rd – Professional Day *No School
- 28th – Grade 7 Immunization Clinic
- 29th – First School Dance!

DON'T FORGET!

All Falcons are expected to have a pair of indoor shoes that they wear each and every day. These shoes should have non-marking soles. This helps keep the school clean and safe. Please ensure that your child has a pair of indoor sneakers! Let us know if you need support with this.



Welcome to another exciting school year at FMS! We were thrilled to welcome our new Falcons to the nest and loved seeing our Grade 7 and 8 students return. The energy, enthusiasm, and smiling faces have made for a wonderful start to the year.

As families settle back into school routines, we encourage you to establish healthy habits that support student success. Consistent bedtimes and adequate sleep are essential for growing minds and bodies. Creating routines for organizing school materials each evening and preparing nutritious lunches can also help students feel confident, prepared, and ready to learn each day.

IMPORTANT BEGINNING OF YEAR ITEMS

- Student data sheets were sent home this week. Please verify that the information is correct and return to the school ASAP. If data changes throughout the school year, please let us know!
- Student-Parent-Guardian Handbook: This is a document meant for you to review with your child so that you, and they, can get to know the expectations, routines and procedures at FMS! Please pay close attention to the pages requiring your signature, and send it back ASAP. We will then remove the back page, and send the handbook home for your reference.
- The student fee is \$70 which includes all school supplies as described in the Student-Parent/Guardian Handbook. This fee can be paid online through the School Cash website, or to the office. Please note, if you choose to pay online there will be a convenience fee.
- Custody information is required to be on file at schools. By law, we are required to provide, on request from non-custodial parents, information about a student's education, except when a court order prohibiting access of a parent to a child exists. If there is a current, valid court order, please provide us with a copy, or make arrangements with the office to have a copy made.

TRAVELLING SAFELY THROUGH THE SCHOOL YARD

Please make certain that when entering the property, you enter on the “McCain” side of the driveway and exit on the “bridge” side. At no time should visitors drive behind the school during the school day. This is especially important in the morning and afternoon during bus time, but also throughout the day as students are often crossing the traffic lane at the back of the school to get to the playground. When exiting the bridge side, keep to the right to turn right, keep to the left to turn left, and please yield to buses.

Also, if you are dropping off your child, please ensure that it is between 8 and 8:20am, at the front of the school. There are no teachers on duty before 8am, and after 8:20 they are considered late. Please send a note if there will be an early pickup for your child. Any time there is a drop off or pick up happening, students are asked to sign in/out at the office.

Thank you for helping to keep our Falcons safe!



FALCONS MONTHLY FOCUS

At FMS, we believe that strong character and positive learning habits are key to student success. Each month, we will spotlight a character trait connected to our Falcons Code: **Friendly, Accountable Leaders who are Cooperative, Organized, Nurturing, and Successful**. We will also focus on a learning habit from the student report card and use student agendas to help students build and practice these important skills.

For September, our character trait focus is **Accountability**. Students will learn the importance of being responsible for their choices, their learning, and their belongings. Our learning habit focus will be **Independence**, and students will use their agendas to set goals, stay organized, and take ownership of their learning. Please look for ways that you can encourage these skills at home. Teamwork makes the dream work!

KEEPING IN THE KNOW

How can you be in the know about events and activities happening at Florenceville Middle School?

- Watch for the **monthly newsletter** on the first Wednesday of each month.
- Join the FMS Home and School Facebook page *Most up-to-date information!
- Visit our website (**FMS.nbed.ca**).
- Read the emails or listen to the phone messages from **School Messenger**.
- Read and discuss the **FMS Student/Parent Handbook**.

CAFETERIA SERVICE AND FOOD AT SCHOOL

Chartwells is the cafeteria service provider for Florenceville Middle School. They provide both lunch and nutrition break options for students, and orders can be made at <https://www.chartwellsk12.ca/> by 8pm the evening before. Main meals are offered daily for \$4 per student, including milk. Families can also request a subsidy code that will offset this cost. Please reach out to Deidra.rioux@nbed.nb.ca for a code, if needed.

Each day, we have either grab and go or hot breakfast options available to all students. They can visit the breakfast program in Mrs. Corey's classroom.

Students eat their lunches in the cafeteria – please note that they should bring items that do not require a microwave, or if they do, it is only for reheating (no KD cups, frozen dinners, Mr. Noodle, etc.). We encourage students to drink water, and this is the only option for them inside of the classroom setting. At lunch, students are welcome to choose drinks such as water, milk, or juice. Sports drinks, energy drinks, soda and coffee are examples of drinks that are best left for home.

TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION



FMS will recognize the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation through learning, reflection, and acts of understanding. On September 29, students and staff are encouraged to wear orange as we continue important conversations about the legacy of Residential Schools and their lasting impacts on Indigenous peoples, families, and communities.

This time provides an opportunity to honour the experiences of Survivors, remember those who did not return home, and recognize the strength and resilience of Indigenous Peoples. Through age-appropriate learning activities, students will deepen their understanding of truth, reconciliation, and the role we all play in building respectful relationships and a more inclusive future. Families are encouraged to continue these conversations at home by learning about the history of the Residential School system and discussing its ongoing impact with their children.

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES



Teachers and volunteers work hard to provide various activities to keep students active and engaged at FMS. Students will have the opportunity to participate in some activities during school hours (ie. Coding club, art club, cooking club, etc.) as well as after-school activities such as sports and band.

Soccer will be the first sports opportunity offered to students. Boys' soccer begins Thursday, September 10th from 3:05 to 4:30 at Carleton North High School. Students will take one bus together from FMS, and their coach will meet them at CNHS. All other tryouts/practices will be at CNHS on Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:05-4:30. Girl's soccer tryouts will be on Mondays and Wednesdays at FMS after school. Please write a note in your child's agenda or email their homeroom teacher if they are staying after school. Also, out of respect for our volunteer coaches, please ensure that students commit to the team, and please pick students up promptly when practice is finished. Stay tuned for cross country!