

November 1, 2014

Dear Atlantic Middle School Families,

As we enter the third month of school, it is apparent that our grade 6 students are thoroughly immersed in their first year of middle school. They have settled in beautifully and charmed us with their enthusiasm. Our grade 7 students continue to grow and improve each day. Grade 8 students have assumed the role of leaders in the school. Grade 8 students are showing their leadership skills on the athletic fields, the stage, through Student Council, and most importantly in the classroom. The start of the school year has certainly been busy with programs and activities. Students are participating in a variety of offerings during the activity block, the Cross Country Team completed a most successful season, and the Student Council hosted a Halloween costume contest. The Atlantic Student Council has also taken on an important community service project this month. The Student Council is sponsoring a Thanksgiving food drive. All food items will be donated to local food pantries. It is a pleasure to see our students engaged in the learning process and actively participating in the many wonderful programs and opportunities available at Atlantic.

Tuesday November 25, marks the end of term one. Term one report cards will be distributed to students on Friday December 5, 2014. Parent conferences will be held on Tuesday November 25, and Tuesday December 9, from 12:30-2:30 p.m. and 4:30-6:30 p.m. Atlantic will be using an on-line conference appointment program. Please go to the Atlantic Middle School website. Click on the news link on the top left corner. The parent conference link will bring you to <http://ptcfast.com/schools/Atlantic Middle School>. The prompt will ask you to register with your email address. The Atlantic conference scheduling page will be emailed to you with teacher names and available appointment times. Please contact your child's guidance counselor if you are unable to access the on-line scheduling program. Parent conferences are another means to strengthen home/school communication. I look forward to seeing you at parent conferences later this month.

The month of November will be filled with many exciting learning and extended day activities. As always, I encourage you to call if you ever have a question or concern.

Sincerely,

Maureen C. MacNeil
Principal
Atlantic Middle School