

# Chiganois Elementary Notes



One, two, three Marios! Chase Betts, Ethan Dunlop and Jack MacDonald were looking very cute in their Super Mario costumes at Chiganois Elementary School's Halloween Dance on Oct. 27th. (Harrington Photo)

By Linda Harrington

All families of Chiganois are welcome and encouraged to attend skating days at the Debert rink from 4:00-5:00PM. All children must be accompanied by an adult and siblings are welcome. Dates will be December 13th, January 10th, 24th, February 7th, 21st and March 6th. The cost per person is \$2.00 and this is to be paid when you arrive at the rink to Mrs. Keizer. CSA approved helmets must be worn by all children; this includes junior and senior high students.

"Gotcha Winners" drawn at the October monthly assem-



Educational Assistant Janet McLeod dances with another little princess Ella Ripley at the Chiganois Elementary School Halloween Dance. (Harrington Photo)



Shelley MacDougall applies face paint to Meranda Bates while Nicole Higgins and Emily Crosby look on. The Chiganois Elementary School PTG held a Halloween Dance on Oct. 27th. (Harrington Photo)

bly were: Isaiah O'Brien, Nolan Swan, Marcus Crossman, Zander McKeigan, Jack MacDonald, Amber Young, Zachary Davidson, Kaelan Bakker, Kirsten Miller, Skylar Rushton, Jaeger Laird, Hannah Rutherford, Abigale Adams, Connor Peterson-Hanalan, Ava Faulkner, Tyler Doucette, Hunter Ferguson, Stella Rann, Brooke Brown, Brodey Hollingsworth, Katherine Bentham, Peter Altenkirk, Lindsey Smith, Kolby Doucette, Jackson Haight, Zachary Redden-Barron, Johnathon DeBay and Mitchell Rector.

Chiganois Elementary Annual Family Halloween Dance was held on October 27th. Students, staff and even a few parents dressed up for the event, which seemed to be enjoyed by all.

November 30th is Parent Teacher from 6:00-8:00PM followed by a morning in-service on December 1st, with afternoon Parent Teacher visitation. No school for students on this day.

Thank you to all who supported the school fund raiser in November.

A very moving Remembrance Day Service was held on Nov.10th with guest speakers Sandy and Barry Mellish and Sgt. Michael McNeil. Logan McNeil intro-



Ahoy thar mateys! Kelly Ryan-Connolly, the School Librarian, and her family Owen (2years), Braeden (5 years) and husband Quinton were enjoying the Chiganois Elementary Halloween Dance dressed as a pirate family. (Harrington Photo)

duced the guest speakers. All grades took part in the service presenting letters, poems and singing.

After school sports are held on Monday (Soccer Baseball) and Tuesday (Nerf Soccer) 3:20- 4:30. Congratulations to the many 'Sharpshooter Stars Of The Week'.

Recess activity on Mondays is Kilometre Klub for all ages. Congratulations to recent 'Kilometre Klickers', achieving 5K- Olivia MacDonald and Nathan Merriam.

Tuesday at Recess, skipping activities are held for all ages in the gym. Congratulations to the many 'Skipping Stars of the Week', who are working on many different jumps, using a skipping rope.

Thursday at Recess is Basketball for Grade 4/5 students. After Xmas, after school sports will be Basketball on Mondays and Floor Hockey on Tuesdays, for students in Grades 3, 4 and 5.

This year's Christmas Concert will be held at Cobequid Educational Centre, Truro on Dec. 8th beginning at 7PM.

A turkey dinner will be enjoyed by the whole school at noon on Dec. 13th, followed by the monthly school assembly in the afternoon.

Students will be able to shop the Christmas Store on Dec. 14th. Gently used gifts for all ages, men and women, are required and can be dropped off at the school. Wrapping paper, gift bags and tags are also needed and can be dropped off during school hours.

Students will be bused to the Faith Baptist Church in Great Village in the morning of Dec. 16th, followed by an afternoon sing song with hot chocolate and eggnog.

The whole school will be decorating gingerbread people with the principal on Dec. 15th. Last of school before the Christmas holidays is Dec. 16th.

# Students can apply to Shad Valley December 7<sup>TH</sup> and January 18<sup>TH</sup>

Top high-school students from grades 10, 11 and 12 can apply in December and January for the Shad Valley program. A registered charity, Shad Valley runs a four-week summer enrichment program to help prepare students for university and encourage their interests in science, innovation and leadership. Application intake dates are December 7, 2011 and January 18, 2012. See below for more details and a link to photographs.

High school students interested in science can apply to Shad Valley: Students in grades 10, 11 and 12 looking for a life-changing summer program that helps prepare them for university can apply to Shad Valley. It's the place where bright students push their intellectual and creative capacity to new heights. Applications are now available for summer 2012.

This award-winning four-week enrichment program in July focuses on science, engineering, technology and leadership with the goal of exposing participants to fields of study that help them develop an entrepreneurial mindset. The students live in residence at one of 10 participating university campuses across Canada, gaining firsthand experience of campus life surrounded by exceptional teens just like them.

During the program, university faculty and industry leaders run exciting workshops, lectures, recreational activities and team-building exercises that give students an academic head start for university and boost their confidence. Using scientific principles, participants also work together to invent entirely new products or serv-

ices and investigate how to bring them to market.

Shad Valley, a registered charity, is a helpful path to university admissions and scholarships, and gives access to an alumni network that lasts a lifetime. Entrance into the program is competitive, and participants demonstrate strong academic achievement and excellence in extracurricular activities. A financial awards package provides assistance to successful candidates who need support towards their participant fee.

Application intake dates are December 7, 2011 and January 18, 2012. For more information on the Shad Valley program, including application details, visit [www.shad.ca/apply](http://www.shad.ca/apply) and watch the video at [www.shad.ca/studentvideo](http://www.shad.ca/studentvideo).

## About Shad Valley

Celebrating more than 30 years of excellence, registered charity Shad Valley provides a transformational experience that unleashes the entrepreneurial and innovative potential of exceptional youth. Hosted in July at 10 top universities across Canada, the Shad Valley program is an intensive month-long enrichment program for high-potential secondary school students. They live in campus residence and attend workshops and lectures that focus on science, engineering, technology and entrepreneurship. They also enjoy team-building exercises and recreational activities that create a strong sense of community. Shad Valley's over 12,000 alumni are outstanding achievers that create a strong network for program participants. More information is available at [www.shad.ca](http://www.shad.ca).

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