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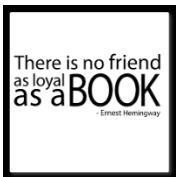
We are quickly approaching the exam period. Please support and encourage your child as she / he prepares for exams and other assessments that are common at the end of a semester. Exams begin on January 26th. Following exams, we will quickly move into semester 2 and the beginning of the second half of the school year.

Students require a total of 18 credits between Grades 10 -12 in order to qualify for graduation. Therefore, it is important for students to be focused and prepared at this time of year in order to maximize all potential credits. In particular, Grade 12 students need to be focused and to ensure that they are prepared and successful in getting their credits.

Grade 9 students need to keep in mind that Grade 9 is an important foundation year of getting accustomed to the high school model. Grade 9 students must successfully pass the year in order to move on to the credit count that begins in Grade 10. Please support your grade 9 student in understanding that important work habits are developed in Grade 9 and we certainly don't want disappointment at the end of the year.

In conclusion, although we have seen a general improvement in attendance since the implementation of the Provincial Attendance Policy, there is still some work to do. I encourage you as parents/guardians to please continue to emphasize the importance of consistent school attendance. We want to ensure that Avon View students are well prepared for post-secondary pursuits and are not at a disadvantage.

Everett MacPherson, Principal



Library

January, 2018! What no hovercraft? As a kid I was pretty sure that I would have my own personal hovercraft by this date. I guess not, too bad! January 27, is Family Literacy Day. Annual Events are organized in schools or libraries all across Canada to raise awareness on the importance of reading. You may remember in your elementary schools having pajama nights, guest readers and books swaps. It's a great time to think about your all-time favourite book or maybe a book you hated because of the ending or a certain character.

Speaking of books I have many new titles in the library. You will find new titles in the manga series' *Attack on Titan*, *Blue Exorcist*, *Naruto*, as well as...

One in Every Crowd, Ivan E. Coyote

This story collection is for everyone who has ever felt alone in their struggle to be true to themselves. It's funny and inspiring. It is about embracing and celebrating difference and feeling truly comfortable in your own skin.

Flying with a Broken Wing, Laura Best

Cammie Deveau began life with a few strikes against her: she's visually impaired, abandoned by her mother at birth, her father was a casualty of the Second World War—and if all that isn't enough, she's being raised by her bootlegging aunt. **Reminder:** There are a number of overdue library books. Please remember to renew them or return them when you are finished reading them as someone else may be waiting.

Note to students about library computers: *Students needing computers for school assignments get first dibs.*

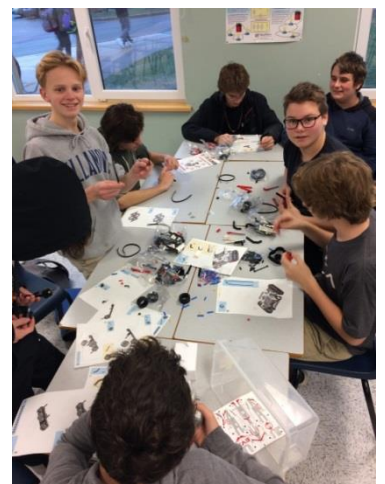
Avonview High School has access to fantastic research tools called "*Britannica School Online*" and "*Britannica Image Quest*" on our library website. Both are educational, accurate, up-to-date when looking for information and can be translated to French. The username and password are posted on the library bulletin board or as me for a copy.

Have a great month!

Mrs Meuse

Robotics Club

Pictured right; students meet one class per cycle and they are working cooperatively to construct a Lego Mindstorm Robot. Once both robots are completed then they will compete against each other to complete given tasks!



ANNUAL WINTER FOOTBALL CAMP



Come join The Acadia Axemen players and coaches for our fun winter football camp. Bring your friends and make some new ones!

Where: Kentville soccer dome
 When: Sunday 12:00 noon to 1:00pm
 Who: Boys and Girls age 6 to 15
 Starts: 11 February 2018
 Cost: Only \$ 50.00 (\$ 80.00 if registering 2 in a family) for 8 weeks of fun and exercise with your friends



No experience required great camp for new and experienced players. This is a non-contact introduction to basic football skills with an emphasis on fun and hard work.

Register on the first day at the Kentville soccer dome
Any questions to bulldogsregistration@hotmail.com

Pictured right is the AV Varsity Boys Basket Ball team.
 Back Row: Josh Redden, Matt Redden, Nigel Fraser, Ivan Jollimore, Arca Mirkelam, Caleb Hamilton, Mike Redden Coach
 Front Row: Austin Leighton Coach, Mataeo Thomas, Brandon Carson, Will Caines, Ryan Blackburn, Keenan MacCall Coach

The Varsity Boys Basketball will travel to the Coal Bowl in New Waterford for a week long tournament February 4-11.

2017-2018 Yearbooks

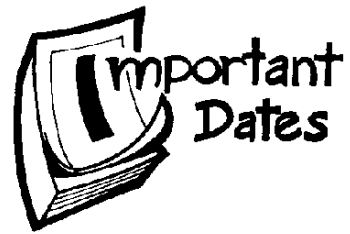
Yearbook ordering can be done online. Visa, MasterCard, or Pay-Pal is accepted. You must order by the deadline indicated below; very few **extra yearbooks** will be ordered. Don't miss out!

Important Dates and Deadlines

From Now until January 31, 2018- Yearbook \$45- Includes Name Personalization
February 1, 2018 to April 16, 2018 - Yearbook \$50 - Includes Name Personalization
April 17, 2018 to May 21, 2018 - Yearbook \$55 - Includes Name Personalization
Extra Yearbooks sold after May 21, 2018 will be \$55 NO Personalization



Pictured left is the Avon View Girls hockey team during their handshakes after **winning Gold over Hants North with a score of 3-0** at the Central Kings Tournament!



Important Upcoming Dates

January	17th Wednesday- Early Dismissal (12:20pm)
	26th Friday- Start of Exams
	31st Wednesday- End of Exams
February	1st Thursday- Marking Day
	2nd Friday- Early Dismissal (12:20pm)
	15th Thursday- Report Cards
	19th Monday- Heritage Day (No school)
March	7th Wednesday- Early Dismissal (12:20pm)
	12th-16th Monday-Friday- March Break (No school)
	30th Friday- Good Friday (No school)
April	2nd Monday- Easter Monday (No school)
	12th Thursday- Report Cards
	19th Thursday- Early Dismissal Parent Teacher (7pm-9pm)
	20th Friday- Inservice (No school) Parent Teacher (1:15pm-3:15pm)

Good luck on your Exams!