

NOTICE #1, March 14th, 2012



Dear Parents,

Congratulations to your child! They have been selected to take part in this season's HMS Drama production entitled "The Princess King" and/or "Anti-Bullying Skits". We were able to take on 37 young theatre thespians for this play and we are very happy that your child has earned the privilege to participate.

Our play will be featured in this year's NBTA Provincial Drama Festival in Fredericton. This means that on Monday April 30th we will be taking a two night trip to the provincial capital. We will return late Wednesday night (9pm). These three days will be very exciting and at the same time educational (shhh...don't tell the kids!). We will be taking in plays, workshops, ceremonies and we will be putting on our play as well (it will be performed on Tuesday at 10:15am in the Black Box Theatre). Costs that we need for you to cover include: \$20 student registration, \$20.00 x 2 for each night's accommodations at UNB, and \$64 dollars for 8 meals (which we will collect before leaving). The total for the 3 day venture will be approximately \$124. **The registration fee (\$20) is payable immediately as it is this fee that secures our spot in the performance schedule.** *We will be selling tickets on a Mother's Day basket to offset these costs and the cost of our t-shirts.* The school has agreed to pay busing (approx \$900), play registration, scripts, royalties and music and the many other miscellaneous costs.

Drama will be an important commitment for your child and they are expected to come to each practice. We will try to give them/you as much notice as possible when it comes to practice and pick-up times. **Please check the Harkins Middle School Website for our link and scheduled practice times.** Students are also expected to attend lunch time practices as needed. As we get closer to the festival, more rehearsal times will be added.

We are looking forward to another very successful year of drama and we are elated to have such a dynamic cast and crew. This will be an invaluable experience for your child and we thank you so very much for your support. We will be performing the play and skits for the public at home after the festival, for your viewing pleasure.

Printed on the back of this notice is a synopsis of our play...it's sure to be a hit!

Please call the school or send me an email if you have any questions or concerns. Thanks again in advance for your interest and support!

Yours in drama,

Miss Barrieau, Mrs Tucker & Mr McCallum

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Harkins Middle School Drama Club *presents...*



Everyone loves a good story, especially when they come to life! Lucille's mother tells her the story of "The Princess King" as it unfolds before our eyes on the main stage. Princess Genevieve wants to marry Henry, but he's just a common cook. Of course, the king thinks this is ridiculous and takes it upon himself to choose who will be the next king and a suitable husband for his daughter. Though the princess begs her father to let her lead the kingdom herself, the king instead decides to hold a contest to find the next king. Princess Genevieve is outraged that she has been reduced to a trophy for her father's contest, so she and Henry cook up a plot to have Genevieve enter the contest herself. Disguised as a prince, Genevieve is intent on proving to her father that she is worthy to wear the kingdom's crown. Meanwhile, to cover for her absence, Henry clumsily masquerades as the princess, and Genevieve's maid tries to cover for the cook! Filled with mistaken identities, tongue-in-cheek humor and over-the-top characters, your audiences will cheer for the princess as she tries to outsmart Prince Air-Guitar and evil "Prince Fluffy" and battle the great chicken-dragon, with some help from Henry's delicious lasagna!



HARKINS MIDDLE SCHOOL DRAMA CLUB'S ANNUAL:
MOTHER'S DAY BASKET

It's time for our annual fundraiser! With the monies raised last year, we were able to purchase matching t-shirts for the Drama Club for our trip to the NBTA Provincial Drama Festival.

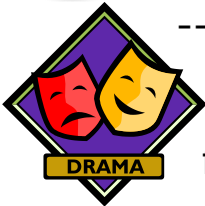
This year, we would like to again raise funds by means of a Mother's Day Basket. We are asking each Drama student to bring one **new** item to help fill the basket. It could be anything from a gift certificate, soaps, towels, slippers, wrapped candy; anything under the theme of Mother's Day!

We will be asking students to sell tickets on the basket. Of the money YOU raise, \$15 will go towards your t-shirt. Any other money raised will go towards your \$124 Drama fee. Ms Barrieau will be handling all monies brought in.

Please have basket items donated by **Thursday, April 12th** , so we may begin making the basket. Tickets will be sent home next week. We are lucky to have such a caring group of parents and students and we appreciate your support!

A. Barrieau, K. Tucker & M. McCallum





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