

Central Spryfield Elementary

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January 2025 News

Happy New Year!

We hope that you all had a wonderful break with family and friends. We are excited to kick off 2025 by welcoming everyone back to school on **Friday** as we continue supporting our students' growth and success this year.

As the winter weather settles in, please remember that children will continue to go outside for recess and lunch every day, weather permitting. I encourage you to ensure your child is dressed appropriately for the colder temperatures. It's also a good idea to send an extra set of mittens or gloves, in case the ones they're wearing get wet during outdoor play. Please note, we will keep students inside if the temperature drops below -20°C.

Family Literacy Day is on January 27 this year. Please check out the following page for more details, along with a link to some fun suggestions for family activities that promote literacy.

Kind regards,

Karen

Dates to Remember

Jan 2 - Teacher Professional Practice Day (No Classes ALL SCHOOLS)
Jan 3 - First Day Back for Students After Break
Jan 27 - Family Literacy Day Jan 29 - Lunar New Year
Feb 17 - Nova Scotia Heritage Day (No Classes ALL SCHOOLS)
Mar 7 - Assessment & Evaluation Day (No Classes)
Mar 10-14 - March Break (No Classes ALL SCHOOLS)



Karen Muldowney-Doran, Principal | Marianne Wyllie, Vice Principal | Juanita Spicer, Admin. Assistant



Family Literacy Day

January 21 is Family Literacy Day

Engage in reading with your child!



January 27 is Family Literacy Day

Family Literacy Day takes place each year on January 27 to raise awareness about the importance of reading and engaging in other literacy-related activities as a family.

For more information, visit https://www.hrce.ca/learning/elementary/reading-your-child



Lunar New Year!



Lunar New Year, also known as Chinese New Year or Spring Festival, will be celebrated on January 29.

It marks the beginning of the Year of the Snake, an animal sign that symbolizes wisdom, intuition, and renewal. It's a time for families to come together, honour their ancestors, and welcome the new year with hopes of prosperity and happiness.

WINTER WEATHER



Did you know? HRCE takes great care when making the decision to alter the regular operations of schools and school busses in the event of severe or inclement weather.

It is HRCE's goal to communicate any changes to the regular operations of schools and/or buses as close to 6:00 a.m. as possible. **A 6:00 a.m. announcement could be:**

- All schools are delayed in opening by two hours and bus pickups are delayed by two hours; or
- All schools are open, but some or all busses are not operating for the day; or
- Some schools (either individually or by family) are closed for the day; or
- All schools are closed for the day.

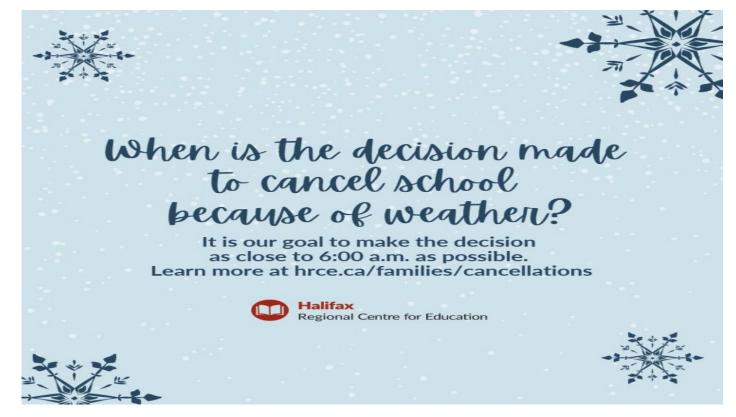
If weather deteriorates, or is forecasted to worsen throughout the morning, **an 11:00 a.m. announcement could be:**

- Bused students will be picked up two hours earlier than their regular dismissal time; and
- Non-bused students will be dismissed at their regularly scheduled lunch hour.

How will I find out?

- By email to the addresses in PowerSchool
- By text message, **if you have opted-in**. If you aren't sure if you have opted-in, text Y to the following number: **978338**
- On <u>our website</u>
- On <u>X (formerly Twitter)</u>
- On Instagram

It's important to always have a plan in place for childcare in the event of any cancellation. For more information on how HRCE manages during inclement weather, visit <u>www.hrce.ca/families/cancellations</u>.



The Nova Scotia School Lunch Program





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The ordering calendar is the next page

https://nslunch.ca/

School Bell Schedule

8:35 - Students start arriving
8:50 - Classes begin
11:50-12:45 - Lunch
2:50 - Dismissal





Please remember that the school parking lot is **closed to parents during the school day** for the safety of our students. Thank you for your understanding and helping us keep everyone safe!

NOVA SCOTIA SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM 2024 – 2025 Ordering Schedule

Ordering opens on Fridays at midnight and closes on Wednesdays at noon











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Some schools may have additional closure dates. Please check your RCE/CSAP calendar for school-specific closure dates



DECEMBER FUN!



















