



Central Spryfield Elementary

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September 2022 News

I'd like to take this opportunity to welcome new and returning students, and their families, to CSES for the 2022-2023 school year! Over the past couple of days students have settled into their routines and there is lots of fantastic learning happening in our classrooms!

Please join me in welcoming Emily Johnson, our new Vice Principal. Ms. Johnson will be teaching mathematics in Grade ½ Poole/Johnson every morning, in addition to her role as V.P.. I am excited to have Ms. Johnson as my new admin partner this year! Other new staff include Jenna Randall, who is teaching Grade Primary/One, Hope Perez, who is teaching Grade Primary this year, Krisanne Landry who is teaching Grade Three/Four until January, when Marissa Mountford will take over after her maternity leave, and Kayley Wartman, our new music teacher. We also have a fabulous new team in the Learning Centre this year. Carrie Nelson, Pam Opdebeck and Claire Lederman. Please visit our school website to view all of our CSES staff with their contact information included.

Kind regards,

Karen

**WELCOME
BACK!**



School Bell Schedule

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



Dates to Remember

- **Sept. 7** - First Day!
- **Sept. 8** - Stand Up to Bullying!
- **Sept. 22** - Curriculum Night/Ice Cream Social 5:30-7:00pm
- **Sept. 29** - Orange Shirt Day
- **Sept. 30** - Truth and Reconciliation Day (no school)
- Terry Fox Run - more info to come
- **Oct. 6** - Picture Day!



Arrival and Dismissal



Arrival – Students may arrive anytime between 8:35 am-8:45 am.

Students enter the building upon arrival. A staff person will greet them at the door and additional support staff will ensure that students arrive at their classrooms safely once they enter the school. Classroom teachers greet their students in their classrooms between 8:35 – 8:50 when classes begin.

Dismissal - 2:50pm students will dismiss from the doors they entered in the morning.

Grades Primary-2 students use the doors closest to the playground.

Grades 3-5 students use the doors closest to Herring Cove Road.

PARKING

It is important that we work together to ensure student safety in the parking lot of our school. Please remember that the parking lot of the school is strictly for staff during the school day. Please take note of the many no parking signs, as parking this year will be closely monitored and tickets will be issued by police or from parking enforcement. Student safety is our number one priority.



***Stand Up to Bullying Day at
Central Spryfield Elementary!***



Our Shared Health

The province's Back to School website – <https://novascotia.ca/backtoschool> – contains links to current guidance from Public Health as it relates to COVID-19. Schools will continue to follow this advice. Individuals who test positive will follow the guidance from Public Health. It continues to be the best practice for individuals to stay home when they are feeling unwell.

Facemasks

We will support our students/ staff/ visitors if they wish to wear a mask. Masks will be available for those that wish to wear one.

Hygiene

Frequent hand washing and using hand sanitizer are public health measures we can all practice both at home and school. We will be emphasizing the importance of hand hygiene, throughout the day specifically when entering school and classrooms and before and after eating. Each classroom also has a sink so there will be many opportunities to use soap and water. Hand sanitizer will be offered to students each morning upon entry.

PEANUT SMART AND “SCENT”SITIVE SCHOOL

We have several students who have life threatening allergies to peanuts and nut products. Please respect their health and well-being by sending your child with snacks and lunches that are nut-free. Additionally, many of our students have medical conditions that can be triggered by scented products. When visiting the school please refrain from wearing products containing perfumes.

Toys & Pokémon Cards

Toys and Pokémon cards are not allowed at school. This helps us keep the focus on learning and prevents special items from being damaged or lost. If these items do come to school, students will need to keep them in their backpacks for the day.

“ “ *The beautiful thing about learning is that no one can* , ,
take it away from you.

-B.B. King

School Advisory Council (SAC)



The School Advisory Council (SAC) is a provincially mandated group that acts in an advisory capacity to the school principal. Our SAC is made up of administration, teaching and support staff representatives, parents/guardians and community members. The SAC meets 6 times each year and discusses a variety of topics surrounding student success in our school. If you are interested in being part of our School Advisory Council, please give the main office a call or contact one of our co-chairs:

Karen Muldowney-Doran (principal) kmuldowney-doran@hrce.ca

Sherry Fraser (parent) sherry.fraser@gmail.com

Lunch Monitors and EPA subs

We are in need of substitutes for our Educational Program Assistants and Lunch Monitors. If you or someone you know might be interested please contact us at the school for more information. 902- 479- 4286

Paying school-related fees is easy!

SchoolCash Online allows you to make payments electronically, with the click of a button. You will be able to make all payments safely, securely and quickly through SchoolCash Online. This makes payment for **pizza lunch orders** much easier. You can make all payments from your phone, tablet or computer. To get started, please register for SchoolCash Online. It's free and takes less than two minutes. Visit School Cash online and click below to register. <https://hrce.schoolcashionline.com/>

Friday Shoutouts

Every Friday one or two students from each class receive a Friday Shoutout. Ms. Johnson and I announce the winners to the whole school and recipients come down to the office to receive their certificate and high fives from the admin team! Teachers choose the recipients from their classes for positive behaviours such as kindness, leadership, and perseverance. 😊

“Friday Shout Outs”

