



# Central Spryfield Elementary

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## Nov/Dec 2022 News

I hope this message finds you well. November was a very busy month! We had a very special Remembrance Day Ceremony which all classes participated in virtually, sharing music, art, writing etc.. Thanks to Mr. Gallagher and his class for organizing such a memorable ceremony.

Parent/Teacher conferences will take place this week. Teachers reached out to arrange meeting times that work best for families. If you did not yet hear from your child's teacher, please contact the school.

Report Cards will be sent out electronically on Nov 30. Please let your child's teacher know if you do not receive the report card in your email.

We are very excited to be having our first Holiday Concert in a number of years on Dec. 7 at 6:30PM. Each family will receive TWO tickets for the evening performance. Grandparents and other family members are welcome to attend the afternoon dress rehearsal on the afternoon of Dec. 7th. Tickets and more info will be sent home in your child(ren)'s backpack this week.

Kind regards,

Karen



### School Bell Schedule

**8:35** - Students start arriving

**8:50** - Classes begin

**11:50-12:45** - Lunch

**2:50** - Dismissal



### December

- **Nov 30-Report Cards sent home**
- **Nov 30- SAC Meet.**
- **Dec 1- no classes Morning/PD Aft&Eve/Parent Teacher**
- **Dec 2 -no classes PD Day**
- **Dec 7 -6:30 Holiday Concert**
- **Dec 20- Last day of classes before Holiday Break**
- **Jan 3- Students return for 2023**





## School Advisory Council (SAC)

Our second School Advisory Council (SAC) meeting will be held in person on **November 30**. If you are interested in being part of our School Advisory Council, give the main office a call or contact one of our co-chairs:

Karen Muldowney-Doran (principal)

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# Winter Weather

It is important that students come to school prepared for different kinds of weather. If possible, when you send your children to school, dress them in layers. They should have snow pants, boots, hats, mittens or gloves. If possible, we recommend sending an extra set of mittens or gloves in case they get wet at recess. Children will continue to go outside during the winter months, weather permitting. We will not send them out if it is colder than -20

## Guidelines for school and/or bus cancellations due to inclement weather

Nova Scotia winter weather can change quickly and can be challenging to predict. This document outlines the steps we take when deciding whether to cancel school and/or bussing.

### A 6:00 am announcement could be:

All schools are delayed in opening by 2 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 forecast to worsen throughout the morning

### An 11:00 am announcement could be:

Bussed students will be picked up 2 hours earlier than their regular dismissal time

AND

Walking students will be dismissed at their regularly scheduled lunch hour

### Remember:

*Parents/guardians always have the right to keep their child home from school if they believe that the travelling conditions are unsuitable.*

How does Halifax Regional Centre for Education (HRCE) decide on school and/or bus cancellations?

By 4:30 am, HRCE staff begin to gather information from:

- A contracted weather service that provides radar and satellite imagery, real-time road conditions and weather warnings;
- A meteorologist who provides forecast details, level and type of precipitation and impact on road conditions;
- HRCE's three transportation service providers, who provide updates on road conditions in their area;
- Municipal and provincial transportation staff; and
- Other local weather services, including Environment Canada and the Weather Network.

By 5:30 am, HRCE staff make recommendations to the Regional Executive Director (or designate), who then makes the final decision.

This decision is communicated by 6:00 am.

Cancellation information can be found:

Website: [www.hrce.ca](http://www.hrce.ca)    Twitter: @HRCE\_NS    Phone: 902-464-INFO (4636)    Local media outlets  
Subscribe to email/text notifications at [www.hrce.ca](http://www.hrce.ca)



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