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January/February 2023 News

Happy New Year, everyone! It's hard to believe that we have hit the halfway point of the school year. We are excited to be back to school supporting our students each day!

Brrrr, the winter weather has arrived. Children will continue to go outside at recess and lunch during the winter months, weather permitting. I'd like to remind you to make sure they are dressed appropriately for the weather every day. We also recommend sending an extra set of mittens or gloves in case they get wet at recess. We will not send students out if it is colder than -20C.

February is African Heritage Month. We will be playing the Black National Anthem, *Lift Every Voice and Sing*, as part of our daily announcements. There will be a daily trivia question again this year. Our focus will be learning about notable African Nova Scotians.

Kind regards,

Karen



School Bell Schedule

8:35 - Students start arriving

8:50 - Classes begin

11:50-12:45 - Lunch

2:50 - Dismissal



January/February

- Jan 11-SAC
- Jan 27-Family Literacy Day
- Feb 1- Registration for 2023- 2024 School Year Begins
- Feb 20 - No SCHOOL (Heritage Day)



February is Registration Month!



Registration for the 2023-2024 school year will be taking place during the month of February. If you have a child or know someone in the neighborhood who has a child that will be five years old on or before **December 31st, 2023**, they are eligible for school in September 2023. If your child is four years old on or before December 31st they are eligible for pre primary in September 2023. Early registration is important as it will be a factor in our staffing for the next school year. We will require the following information from you when registering your child: Child's Birth Certificate, Proof of Address, and Child's Health Card Number. Please note that we cannot accept any registrations without a birth certificate.

Lunch Monitors and Substitute EPA's

We are still in need of subs 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**

Popcorn Sale!

Starting next week, the Learning Centre will be selling popcorn. If students wish to order, they will have the opportunity to bring in \$1.00 to their homeroom teacher between Monday and Thursday each week. Class orders will be finalized and collected on Thursday afternoons and popcorn will be delivered during lunch on Fridays. There is a limit of one bag per student each week. Thank you for your support!

“What we learn with pleasure, we never forget”

Alfred Mercier

Family Literacy Day is January 27!

On Friday, Jan.27, CSES will celebrate Family Literacy Day with special guest readers and classroom activities! Teachers will send home more information in the followings weeks!

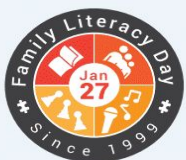


Learn about your family, together as a family!



Explore and learn about your heritage.
Celebrate what you've found and share your culture with others.

Find more fun family learning activities at:
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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. We also 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 Twitter: @HRCE_NS Phone: 902-464-INFO (4636) Local media outlets
Subscribe to email/text notifications at www.hrce.ca



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