



ELLERSLIE ELEMENTARY

Principal: Jaime Cole

Vice-Principal: Sarah Totten



DATES TO REMEMBER



- April 1**-Easter Monday (No classes)
- April 8**-Solar Eclipse- students dismissed at 12:50 (Glasses provided April 4th)
- April 8-12**-Grade 3 Math Assessments
- April 9**-Spring Photos (am)
- April 15-18**-Annual Ellerslie Book Fair
- April 15**-Badminton Zones – Singles
- April 16**-Badminton Zones - Doubles
- April 19**-PD Day (No classes)
- April 20**-Honor Choir
- April 26**-Grade 6 HPV #2
- April 27**-H&S Craft Fair
- May 3**-Area Ass'n PD/CUPE Convention(No classes)
- May 13-24**-School Based Gr 4 Writing Assessment
- May 20**-Victoria Day (No classes)
- May 25** – Bottle Drive for end of the year trips

Welcome to Kindergarten

- May 30**-Welcome To Kindergarten (By appointment)
- June 4 or 5**-Grade 6 Math Assessment
- June 7** – New Kindergarten Orientation (Current Kindergarten students do not attend)
- June 19**-Shining Waters for K-5, Magic Mountain for Grade 6
- June 20**-Shining Waters Rain date
- June 26**-Last day of Classes
- June 26**-Grade 6 closing at 4:00 pm

Principal's Message

It's been another amazing month as March flew by. We celebrated the 100th day of school, basketball games, leprechaun traps and Pink Shirt Day. April looks to be equally exciting with longer and sunnier days, the book fair and badminton provincials.

We will have our Welcome to Kindergarten night on May 30th by appointment. We look forward to

meeting all of our new students as we have some fun stations planned.



BOOK FAIR

Ellerslie will be hosting the Scholastic Book Fair from April 15th-18th in the school library. Classes will be permitted to view the Book Fair April 15th and will be permitted to buy items from April 16th - 18th.

If there are any parents who would like to help out, please contact Mrs.Doran.

EASTER SEALS

To raise funds for the Easter Seals Campaign we will be having a hat day and staff will participate in Pie In The Face on April 11. Students can bring a donation (recommending a minimum of \$2) to wear their favorite hat and/or bring in \$5 to pie a staff in the face. The list of staff who are participating will be posted in early April!

BADMINTON:

Badminton season is underway. Ellerslie can send two singles players and two doubles teams for both boys and girls. If your child makes the Badminton team here are a few important dates/locations.

Badminton zones – Location: Hernewood. Dates:

- Singles–Monday, April 15 and
- Doubles–Tuesday, April 16

Badminton Provincials Round Robin

Robin–Location: Athena Consolidated, Tuesday April 23rd

Badminton Provincials Medal Round

– Location: Summerside Intermediate School, Saturday, April 27th.

Ellerslie Elementary Bottle Drive

Saturday, May 25th the Grade 6 students will be hosting a bottle drive at the school. Bertha's Bottle Drive will be set up in the parking lot to collect your recyclables from 9 - 12. All of the money raised will be going to support students at the end of the year trips.

Canada Dental Benefit Program

The interim Canada Dental Benefit is intended to help lower dental costs for eligible families earning less than \$90,000 per year. Parents and guardians may be eligible if they pay

for dental care for a child under 12 years old who does not have access to a private dental insurance plan. For more information, please visit the website www.canada.ca/dental.



NEW BUS DRIVERS:

We'd like to welcome :Debbie Perry is driving bus #575 and Josh Waite is driving bus #758

HERITAGE FAIR:

The students in grade 5 and 6 did an amazing job researching, preparing their information and presenting their Heritage Fair Projects on March 19th. The following students were selected by the judges as the top presenters in their grade:

Grade 5: 1st place was Logan Williams and Austin Grigg with the History of Lobster Fishing, 2nd place was Nora MacIntyre with Got Any Wool and 3rd place was Austin Lynch and Nick Perry with Different Ways to Grow Oysters.

Grade 6: 1st place with Taylor Williams with the History of Harness Racing 2nd place was Clairabella Lidstone-Gallant with Mount Pleasant Airport, and Third was Sylvee Robinson with "Nelly J. Banks".

The 1st and 2nd place winners for both grades will represent Ellerslie Elementary at the Provincial Heritage Fair in Charlottetown on Tuesday, April 30th.

Great job to all of our students!

PLEASE SEE OTHER SIDE



Home and School News, April 2024

Still time to register

Please register your Home and School delegates by April 8 for the P.E.I. Home and School Federation's Annual General Meeting & Convention. The Rodd Charlottetown Hotel and the Federation office preparations require our total attendance. Here are the details:

AGM Date: Saturday, April 13, 2024

Time: 08:45 a.m. – 01:30 p.m.

Fee: \$40 per person

Place: Rodd Charlottetown Hotel (75 Kent St. Charlottetown)

***Associations are urged to pay the registration fee, travel, and accommodation costs for their delegates to remove barriers to attending.

Parents, educators and students are welcome to attend with each Home and School asked to designate up to five representatives as your association's voting delegates.

Register online (<https://peihsf.ca/agm/>) or call 902-620-3186.

2. Reminder to review 2024 Resolutions before April 13

Resolutions submitted by local Home and School Associations will be discussed and **voted on at the AGM on April 13. Ensure your voting delegates (parents, guardians, educators and students) review these prior to the AGM. Proposed resolutions include:**

2024-1 Request inquiry into the indoor temperature of PEI schools
2024-2 Request PSB policy amendment for extreme hot weather

2024-3 Feasibility study of installing vaping detectors in schools

2024-4 Creation of a policy regarding screen use in primary schools

2024-5 Late resolution:
Kindergarten Exemption from Split-Level Classroom Composition

All Resolutions can be viewed online at: <https://peihsf.ca/agm/>

3. School Bus Driver Award

School Bus Driver of the Year Award recognizes school bus drivers on P.E.I. for keeping our students safe as they travel to and from school daily.

Submit nominations by May 3, 2024.

4. Solar Eclipse

On April 8 students will be dismissed two hours early due to the solar eclipse. PEI will experience the effects of the eclipse between 3:26 p.m. and 5:44 p.m. "The solar eclipse offers a rare educational occasion, but prioritizing safety is crucial for all of us to fully embrace its wonder. Doing a system wide early dismissal ensures our bus drivers will be off the road before the eclipse begins, and students will be home safely." - Education and Early Years Minister Natalie Jameson. Look up: [Solar Eclipse](#)

5. Cyberbullying Awareness Day

A private member's bill brought forward by Souris-Elmira MLA Robin Croucher proclaimed April 25, 2024, as Cyberbullying Awareness Day, marking the anniversary of islander Harry Burke's death.

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/prince-edward-island/pei-harry-burke-sextortion-1.7150941>

Other

~National Volunteer Week, April 14-20, 2024 is a time to celebrate and thank Canada's 24 million volunteers.

The theme "Every Moment Matters" highlights the importance of every volunteer and each contribution they make at a moment when we need support more than ever. Let's recognize and celebrate every volunteer and each contribution they're making to strengthen inclusivity and wellbeing in our communities. Now more than ever, Every Moment Matters!

#NVW2024

#EveryMomentMatters

~Virtual LungNSPEI 'Engaging Youth Stakeholders in Youth Vaping Cessation' Workshop,

April 3, 2024, 10:00-11:30 am! We need your voice and experience to help us better understand the opportunities and

challenges organizations are facing in their work to support youth vaping cessation on P.E.I. **This online workshop is FREE**

and open to anyone who works with youth. Please register and you will be sent a link to join the workshop before April 3: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/youth-vaping-cessation-workshop-online-tickets-851673728047?aff=oddtcreator>

Outside Group Requests:



WHISPERING HOPE FARM
After school program
NOW ENROLLING!
We offer:
✓ Hands on farm experiences
✓ Arts & crafts
✓ Nature based games
✓ 3:00-5:00
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