# ELLERSLIE ELEMENTARY 

## Principal: Jason Cormier

## Vice-Principal: Andy Doran




DATES TO REMEMBER
April 6-Candy Grams handed out
April 7-Good Friday (No classes)


April 10-Easter Monday (No classes)
April 14-Easter Seals assembly
April 17-20-Annual Ellerslie Book Fair
April 18-Badminton Zones - Singles
April 19-Badminton Zones - Doubles
April 20-Grade 6 HPV \#2
April 21-School Goals Day K-9(No classes)
May 5-Area Ass'n PD/CUPE
Convention (No classes)

## Welcome to

Kindergarlen
May 10-Welcome To Kindergarten (By appointment
May 19-PD Day (No classes)
May 22-Victoria Day (No classes)
June 2-New Kindergarten students come in the morning. This year's kindergarten students stay home for the day
June 3- Provincial T\&F at UPEI
June 19- Softball Zones
June 20-Softball Zones raindate
June 28-Last day of Classes

## Principal'sMessage

I am always so excited to see all of the amazing things that make Ellerslie a wonderful place to grow and learn. March was no exception: from celebrating the $100^{\text {th }}$ day of school, badminton, leprechaun traps and celebrating our Amazing Miss Stephanie on winning the Extra Mile Award, it was quite a month. April looks to be equally exciting with Easter, badminton provincials and our Joke of the Day contest!

We will have our Welcome to Kindergarten night on May $10^{\text {th }}$ by appointment. We look forward to meeting all of our new students as we have some fun stations planned.


Here are this month's literacy tips:

- Read and reread favorite books together. There are new things to learn and enjoy each time you revisit a favorite!
- Let your child see you reading and writing. You are your child's first model and seeing the importance of reading and writing outside of the school setting provides additional meaning in these skills
-Also, Easter is another great time to bake with your child or build something with your child. Following instructions/recipes is a very strong literacy skill!


## Mr. C's Book of the Month

In this month's literacy tip, I suggested revisiting some favorite books over the Easter holiday. Well, you already know that I am a HUGE fan of Mo Willems books as well as Harry Potter but I also wanted to share a newer favorite as well as a childhood favorite:


This is a fantasy children's book, by Chris Van Allsburg. It tells a story of an affluent, cold-hearted French dentist who eats a fig which makes his wildest dreams come true. This is a funny book with an amazing twist at the end! I love this book for so many reasons and hope you will too!


This book by Roch Carrier is considered Iconic Canadian Literature and was taken from an experience he had as a child. I remember my father reading it to me and I have read it to my children and my nieces and nephews (also an award-winning animated short film). It brings back great memories every time I read it.


## BOOK FAIR

Ellerslie will be hosting the Scholastic Book Fair from April 17-20 in the school library. Classes will be permitted to view the Book Fair April $17^{\text {th }}$ and will be permitted to buy items from April $18-20^{\text {th }}$.


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

## FLOOR HOCKEY

Congratulations to the Jets on winning he grade 3-4 Intramural Floor hockey league. 38 students on 4 teams participated. Team members are: Dawson McFadygen, Koby Ballum, William Gallant, Jake Phillips, Carter Annand, Zoey PerryMacGregor, Caleb Sidwell, Claudia MacDougall, Breea Coughlin,Aleah Coutts, and Ivan Ellsworth.

PLEASE SEE OTHER SIDE


Grade 5-6 Intramural Floor Hockey Congratulations to the Rangers! They defeated the Sharks $6-3$ in the championship game of the grade 5 and 6 intramural league. Team members are: Kate Coughlin (captain), Sophie MacKendrick, Jaysea Smith, Harley Hardy, Reagan Gallant, Cody Sidwell, and Avery Darrach.


SCIENCE FAIR
Congratulations to the following students who placed at the School Science Fair at Ellerslie on March $14^{\text {th }}$ :

## Grade 6:

$1^{\text {st }}$ Thomas Veale - Gravity Sorting Machine
$2^{\text {nd }}$ Shea - Lynn MacDougall \& Sophie Yeo - Dance of the Sky
$3^{\text {rd }}$ Avery Darrach - Tsunamis

## Grade 5:

$1^{\text {st }}$ Haylei Sidwell - Do You Hear What I Hear?
$2^{\text {nd }}$ Sylvee Robinson - Stay Away from Tooth Decay
$3^{\text {rd }}$ Adella Banks - Creating Light
Thank you to our judges for their time and expertise. We would also like to send a huge thanks to Backwoods Burger for their donation of thank you gifts for our judges.

## Sending on behalf of Dominique

 Lecours, Director of Student ServicesFrom time to time, information is brought forward to the Student Services Division that makes us pause on how to best approach a situation. Such information was shared last week about a day on TikTok (April 24) that seems to have resurfaced from a couple of years ago. We want to address this because it is important, we do so, but at the same time not give it any more airtime than it deserves.

We all feel that it is important to promote appropriate digital literacy for all our students K-12, and I know that many efforts/ initiatives are already in place in school. I am hoping that you can send along the following message to the parents and guardians in your schools. Thank you in advance for your continued support
https://docs.google.com/document/d/ 1ekza9eajOAxPn8U7Br1DyJuQ6lib7T t CRDFgvICdFg/edit

## HOME AND SCHOOL NEWS, APRIL 2023

1. Is your school registered? SIGN UP today for the 70th P.E.I. Home and School Federation Annual General Meeting \& Convention.

Date/Time: Saturday, April
15, 2023, 8:45 a.m. 1 1:30 p.m

Place: Rodd Charlottetown Hotel, Charlottetown

Fee: $\$ 40$ per person

Each Home and School is asked to send 2-5 representatives to this Milestone A.G.M. Please ensure your school is represented. REGISTER ONLINE (https://peihsf.ca/agm/) or call 902-620-3186.

## 2. AGM Round Table Topics

Topics: Diversity, Student Well-
Being, Home \& School
Successes/Challenges.

Table Resources: Debbie Langston
\& Andrea Garland, Diversity Consultants

Elizabeth Kennedy, Student WellBeing Team Lead Consultant

Sara Fletcher \& Tina Cardiff, Family Support Workers, Bluefield \& Montague Family of Schools.

Guests: Hon. Antionette Perry, Lt. Governor for P.E.I.; Minister or Deputy Dept. of Education, Federation Past Presidents, and more.

## 3. Resolutions

Three resolutions will be considered and voted on at the Annual Genera Meeting on April 15. Home and Schools are asked to review and vote on the proposed resolutions at your local meeting and select your voting delegates who will attend the A.G.M., voting as directed by their Association. Voting should reflect the opinions of your school's parents, guardians, teachers, and staff. Find proposed resolutions online at: peihsf.ca/agm

## 4. 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 5, 2023.

## 5. National Volunteer Week

 April 2023Volunteering Weaves us Together! Let's celebrate our individual and collective actions in creating a strong interconnected, vibrant community! Volunteering weaves us together, strengthening the fabric of our community by sharing our time, talent, and energy to support one another
\#NVW2023 \#WeavingUSTogether NVW 2023 - National Volunteer Week (NVW) - Campaigns - Volunteer Canada


