

Harrietsfield Elementary School Info for Families: November 21-25

Important Dates:

November 21 Assessment & Evaluation Day - No School

November 29 Report Cards Home (via Edupost)

December 1 AM - PD Day - PM - Parent Teacher Interviews (12-2 / 5-7pm no classes all day)

December 2 PD Day (no classes)

December 5 Christmas Concert Tickets Go Home

December 7 SAC/Home and School

December 13 Christmas Concert

December 17 Jingle Bell Breakfast

December 20 Last Day of School Before Christmas Break We are in Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaw people. This territory is covered by a series of treaties signed revolving around peace and friendship. We acknowledge that people of African descent have been in Nova Scotia for over 400 years.

<u>School Calendar</u> 77 Please note that our <u>school calendar</u> has been linked to our <u>HES website.</u>

<u>Weekly Memos</u>

The weekly memos that are sent out to families at the beginning of each week are posted on our HES website in the <u>Our School - For Parents</u> section.

Nourish Your Roots Feedback

Share your thoughts about the Nourish Your Roots fundraiser in this <u>survey</u> whether you purchased a box or decided not to, all feedback is welcome!

NOTE: Both surveys will close on November 21, 2022.

- If you are interested in being notified when the expression of interest for Nourish Your Roots 2023 is open, please add <u>your name using this link</u>. Participation in 2022 doesn't automatically register you for 2023.
- If any customers chose to support your school as part of the online community campaign, you will receive the funds by mail by mid-December.

<u>Jingle Bell Breakfast</u>

Our wonderful home and school group is busy planning a fun holiday event...The Jingle Bell Breakfast! Families will be able to come, grab some breakfast in the gym and children will be able to participate in some fun holiday activities. The event will take place on Saturday, December 17th in the morning - specific time to come soon!

<u>School Clothing Pick-Up</u>

If you ordered HES school clothing, you can pick it up from the office the week of December 12th. If you are keeping your order a secret, just let Kathy in the office know.

<u> Parent-Teacher Interviews</u>

The portal for making appointments for parent-teacher interviews will be open until November 30th at 3pm. You can do this by visiting

<u>https://secure.parentinterviews.com/harrietsfield-elementary</u>. If you need assistance in using the website, please click this link: <u>https://help.parentinterviews.com/docs/parents/</u> You will be able to select either a phone call, video call or in-person appointment.

<u>Water Bottle</u>

Please remember to send a water bottle to school with your child...even better if it has your child's name on it!!

<u>Head Lice</u>

Head lice has been identified at Harrietsfield Elementary. Head lice and nits commonly occur in students of this age. We ask that you please help prevent the spread of this communicable condition by checking your child(ren) daily for the next few weeks and on a regular basis thereafter.

What Are Head Lice?

Head lice are tiny insects and parasites that live on the human body and are most often attached to clean hair. Their eggs, also called nits, stick to the hair shaft, very close to the scalp. Head lice are spread most easily through direct head-to-head contact or through personal items used on the head or in the hair (e.g., hats, combs, brushes, ponytail holders). EECD recognizes that the discovery of head lice on your child(ren) can result in your family feeling discomfort and embarrassment. Head lice are a common condition that can affect anyone.

Assistance in Treating Head Lice

Parents/guardians who are experiencing difficulties in addressing head lice issues at home should notify their child(ren)'s principal of the situation. Principals may assist families in accessing the specific supports that they require, such as additional information and means of obtaining head lice treatments. The confidentiality, privacy, dignity, and best interests of students and their families will be respected at all times. Additional information on how to prevent, find, and treat head lice is available at https://8ll.novascotia.ca/health_topics/head-lice/.

Wela'lioq/Merci/Thank you,

Mrs. Little & Ms. Welsh