



# Harrietsfield Elementary School

## Info for Families: January 16-20

### Important Dates:

*We are in Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaw people. We are all Treaty people, and our relationship is based on peace and friendship.*

Jan 20 Silly Swap Day

Feb 1st Registration Month Begins

Feb 20th Heritage Day (no school)

### School Calendar

Please note that our [school calendar](#) has been linked to our [HES website](#).

### Weekly Memos

The weekly memos that are sent out to families at the beginning of each week are posted on our HES website in the [Our School - For Parents](#) section.

### Friday Fun!

This Friday, January 20th, will be "Silly Swap Day"... students dress like teachers and the teachers will dress like the kids!

### Home & School Events

We had a great time with our Jingle Bell Breakfast this year! Thank you so much to our volunteers who came out to make this event possible! We'd like to have a few more events this year but we really need your help in order to make them happen. If you are able to help out, even in a small way, please reach out to our Home & School group at [homeandschoolhes@gmail.com](mailto:homeandschoolhes@gmail.com).

### Healthy Hunger

Our Healthy Hunger lunches are underway again for the new year. Subway continues to be on Tuesdays and Pizza on Thursdays. If you are interested in ordering lunches for your child, go to [healthyhunger.ca](http://healthyhunger.ca) for more information. If cost is an issue, please let Kathy in the office know and we will help.

### Registration for 2023-2024

Do you, or someone you know, have a child who will be 5 by December 31st, 2023? Registration month begins on February 1st. Early registration is very helpful to us as it helps to guide configuration decisions and staffing. Children who are already in pre-primary with us do not need to re-enroll.

### Sysco Donation

Our school received a generous donation of \$1,020 from Sysco Canada to support healthy food programs and initiatives at our school. Thank you, Sysco!

### **Literacy Tip**

When children practice building and changing words using word work chains, they are strengthening their reading and spelling skills. You can guide your child's practice by asking them to spell or read a new word. The Sample Word Work Chain Script shows how to alternate reading and spelling practice.

Sample Word Work Chain Script shin → ship → shop → shot

1. Make the word shin. [spelling]
2. Change the n to p. What word is this? [reading]
3. Change ship to shop. [spelling]
4. Change the p to t. What word is this? [reading]

**Wela'lioq/Merci/Thank you,**

Mrs. Little & Ms. Welsh