



Kingswood Elementary School News

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Principal's Message

Welcome and Welcome Back!!!

We hope that everyone had a wonderful summer break with lots of time for family, friends and fun, and that you are now looking forward to school. We are excited to see all of our new and returning students.

Mr. Alguire and his team are amazing! The school has been cleaned from top to bottom and it is shining. The admin team and staff members have been in getting everything ready for our students to start on Thursday September 4th.

It has been a busy summer. With all of the new construction in the area we have had lots of summer registrations. We are still working on getting everyone into a class and we are quite sure that there will be changes to classes after school starts. So what you see in PowerSchool may not be correct or may change after school begins. Please be patient as we work through all of this.

To alleviate any traffic or parking problems we do recommend that you send your children to school by bus if possible, even on the first day. My staff and I are outside every morning to greet the students and make sure they make it safely to class. Teachers will make sure that they are on the correct bus in the afternoon. No matter the size of the school, drop-off and pick-up times can be extremely busy. You can find information about bussing by contacting transportation@hrce.ca. We will be using the Purple Dismissal Tags again this year for Grades PP-2, so please make sure you let your child's teacher know where they go after school and what bus they will be taking. Please make sure to leave this Tag attached to your child's backpack.

Along with this newsletter we will be sending home several important emails this week. Please read them carefully.

You will be receiving information about our First Day Procedures, Medical Forms, teacher introductions, the Cell Phone Policy, and more. Many of the answers to questions that you may have will be answered in these emails or on our website.

School Hours

Our school hours are 8:40am to 2:55pm. Students coming by bus arrive between 8:25 am and 8:40am and students arriving by car should also come for the same time. We ask that all students arrive no later than 8:40am. All students should be in their classrooms and ready to start their day at 8:45am. We will be going outside a lot so students should be dressed for the weather.

*At Kingswood we have several students with nut allergies. **Kingswood is a nut smart** school which means that parents should not knowingly send their child to school with any nut products. If you send your child with a Wow butter sandwich you might want to label it, so that we know it is not peanut butter and is safe for consumption at school. Just a reminder Nutella contains hazelnuts so it is not permitted at school.*

2025-2026 is going to be a another great year here at Kingswood! We will see all of our students bright and early on Thursday September 4th!

Andrea and Martha

PowerSchool Opens for Families on September 3

PowerSchool will open to families on Wednesday, September 3 at 3 p.m. In PowerSchool, you’ll be able to view you child’s teacher (s) and/or class schedule. **This may change after school starts.**

Stand Up Against Bullying Day is September 11

On the second Thursday of September, we recognize Stand Up Against Bullying Day.

On Thursday, September 11, we will celebrate inclusivity, kindness and friendship. All HRCE school teams are focused on ensuring all students have a safe and welcoming environment in which to learn and thrive.

Please join us and wear pink if you’re able on September 11 to take a stand against bullying.

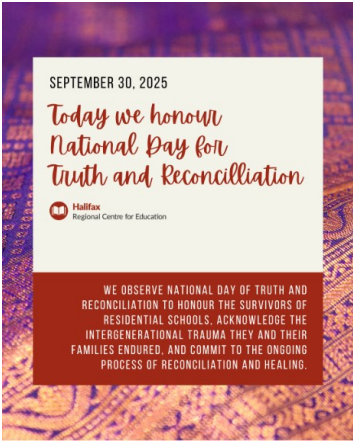


Join us in observing National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

Each year on September 30, National Day for Truth and Reconciliation honours the children who didn't return from residential schools, as well as survivors, their families, and communities.

Orange Shirt Day, led by Indigenous communities, aims to raise awareness about the inter-generational impacts of residential schools and allows us all to show our support for the Every Child Matters movement.

As there are no classes on Monday, September 29 and Tuesday, September 30, we welcome staff and students to wear orange on Friday, September 26.



Using BusPlanner

Everything you need to know about student transportation including eligibility, stop times and stop locations can be found on BusPlanner. Once you register and subscribe, you can choose to receive email and/or text message notifications on changes to routes, bus delays or cancellations.

To sign up, go to BusPlanner at hrce.mybusplanner.ca and click on Parent Portal. Follow the instructions to create an account.

Don’t have a BusPlanner Parent Portal account? Need help logging in? Please contact the HRCE Student Transportation Team at transportation@hrce.ca or call 902-431-4723.

