



Kingswood Elementary School News

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Reminders:

- Mar. 6 PJ Day
Big Crunch Day
- Mar. 8 Daylight
Savings Time
Begins
- Mar. 12 Squid
Performance
- March 16-20
March Break
- Mar. 25 Assessment and
Evaluation Day
No School for
Students
- Mar. 26 Sock Hop at
6:30pm
March Break
- Mar. 31 Report Card
Day

Principal's Message

March is here and Spring is right around the corner! Well, we hope that it is right around the corner. We have had a winter with all sorts of weather. One day it is cold and the next warm. We have had rain and snow and of course ice and mud. Whenever possible we have been outside, so thanks so much for dressing your children for all of the different types of weather that we have had. Hopefully, we will soon be able to get rid of the winter gear and move on to some lighter clothing.

During February we celebrated African Heritage Month. The students really enjoyed the daily Grade 6 announcements, learning about the community of Africville and participating in various reading, writing and art activities.

We have also had lots of students register for Grade Pre-Primary and Grade Primary. If you know of someone who has not yet registered their child please send them our way ASAP. All of the details about the Pre-Primary program are being worked on. We will provide you with all the information once everything is finalized.

March Break is coming up and whether you go away or stay home we hope that you enjoy this time with your family and friends. There are lots of wonderful things to do right here at home so we are including a list of ideas just in case.

Andrea and Rachael



Students who arrive at school after 8:40am are late and miss important learning time.

Tattletales Book Campaign

During the month of February we engaged in a few fundraisers to raise money for books. Tattletales is a bookstore in Dartmouth that we often get great books from. Each year they hold a campaign where schools can raise money and have it topped up by Tattletales and some sponsors. For example if we raise \$1000 we might get \$1400 in book credits. So it is a good deal for us. This year our librarian Mrs. Bent sold pencils and bookmarks and she opened the Library at recess for students who wanted to stay in and read. We also held two popcorn fundraisers. Next Friday we will be holding our last little fundraiser, a PJ Day and students can bring in a donation of a \$1 or \$2. We would also like to thank our PSA for donating \$500 to this great cause. We will be sure to give you a total once we have added everything up.

SAC

Our next SAC Meeting will be held on Tuesday April 7th at 5:30pm.

PSA

Our next PSA meeting will be on Tuesday April 7th at 6:30pm. All are welcome.

Reminder

If your child requires a spoon or fork to eat their lunch please try to remember to put one in their lunch bag. We do have some for emergencies but our supplies run out quickly and the plastic utensils have a negative impact on our environment.

Head Lice

Parents are reminded and encouraged to make checking your child(ren) for head lice a part of your regular routine. For more information on how to prevent, find and treat head lice please go to the following link:
<http://www.novascotia.ca/dhw/publications/public-health-education/07135-head-lice-pamphlet-en.pdf>

March Break Activities

Not all of us are going away for March Break so we have included some fun things to do around here on the next page. We know that there are even more things to do than what we have included but it gives you some ideas.

We found the following ideas at:

<https://www.familyfunCanada.com/halifax/halifax-march-break-events/>

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March Break Featured Events

The Canadian Museum of Immigration at Pier 21: Bam! Pow! Get ready for ‘Super March Break at the Museum’, an action-packed March Break as they celebrate our beloved superheroes – through music, dance, food, crafts, and movies. Enjoy hands-on learning and fun workshops featuring both comic book characters and ‘real-life’ superheroes from our community!

Discovery Centre: The Discovery Centre has a schedule bursting with fun this March Break! Enjoy immersive dome theatre shows, live science shows, science on the spot and their feature exhibit, ‘Beyond Rubik’s Cube’.

Concerts, Shows and Special Events

A Visit with Little Ray’s Reptile Zoo: Join Little Ray’s for an educational and entertaining experience featuring some cool and scaly creatures! They will be at the Central Library on March 15th, the Musquodoboit Library on March 17th and the Sheet Harbour Library on March 19th.

Magic Show with Tim Gavel: Prepare to be amazed by the Amazing Tim Gavel! He’s at the Woodlawn Library on March 16th and will be performing at two locations on March 19th – the Musquodoboit Family Resource Centre and the Sackville Library.

March Break 25th Annual Chess Tournament: Halifax Public Libraries, in partnership with the Dartmouth Junior Chess Club, will be hosting their 25th Annual March Break Chess Tournament at the Alderney Gate Public Library. The tournament is open to students in grade primary through to twelve and will offer three levels of play.

Jugglin’ Bubblers: They have a passion for bubbles and a talent for juggling that will entertain both the young and young-at-heart! They will be performing 3 shows during March Break.

Daily Events at The Library: There are over 120 FREE March Break Events at the Halifax Public Libraries, including movies, puppet shows, cooking workshops, games, mad science demonstrations, music and much more. Search the [library programming website](#) to discover what daily events are happening near you. (Tip: use their sidebar to search for “location”).

Museums and Galleries

***Museum of Natural History:** Currently being updated for 2020

Maritime Museum of the Atlantic: Yo, ho, ho! Get ready for a week of fun and games this March Break at the Maritime Museum of the Atlantic as they celebrate ‘Myths and Legends – Pirate Adventures’!

Art Gallery of Nova Scotia Family Sunday: Kick March Break off at the Art Gallery as they host their monthly Family Sunday Event on March 15th – Kids’ Kitchen Party!

Sketching at the Art Gallery of Nova Scotia: Join an experienced artist for Sketching in the Gallery at AGNS this March Break. No registration required, no experience necessary!

Africville Museum: Explore local history and heritage at the Africville Museum at Seaview Park, Tuesday-Friday.

March Break Movies

March Break Movies at Cineplex: Cineplex has an awesome lineup of March Break movies, all for only \$2.99, each weekday at theatres in Bayers Lake, Dartmouth Crossing and Lower Sackville.

Outdoor Fun

***Shubenacadie Wildlife Park:** Currently being updated for 2020

Hands-on Fun at Ross Farm: Take a trip to Ross Farm where there will be a different theme each day with lots of hands-on activities and crafts. Hot chocolate will be served. Weather permitting, there will be sleigh rides.

Wagon Ride n’ Hot Dogs at Hatfield Farm: Go into the woods for some inflatable fun and all the hot dogs you can eat at Hatfield Farm. Their Family Round-Up departs three times each day over March Break.

Sugar Moon Farm: March means maple season! Register for the ‘Maple Magic’ Tour at Sugar Moon Farm in Earltown for a great day out and a sweet treat! They are open Friday, Saturday, and Sunday throughout the month of March plus a special opening from Tuesday to Friday of March Break.

In the Retail World

Home Depot: At the Home Depot Halifax and Dartmouth, there will be a different Kids Workshop every weekday from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. Note – this is NOT a drop-in! You must register, either by phoning or dropping by the customer service desk. There is a limited number of participants for each build.

***Amos Pewter:** If you visit Amos Pewter in beautiful Mahone Bay, you can finish and personalize your own pewter Sand Dollar and enjoy a tour of the Amos Pewter workshop. There are workshops in Halifax too, at 1521 Lower Water Street. The cost is \$5/person.

Kids Activities at Chapters: Chapters (Bayers Lake and Mic Mall Mall) have FREE March Break activities each day of the week with different themes each day.

***Michaels:** Michael’s has different fun kids project every day of March Break. There will be two sessions – 10 am to 12 pm and 1 pm to 3 pm.

***Mastermind Toys:** There will be different activities going on each day during March Break at both the Bayers Lake and Dartmouth Crossing locations. Join them at 11:00 am, 1:00 pm or 3:00 pm to take part in the fun. Registration required.