



Kingswood Elementary School News

June 2023

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Principal's Message

Before we say anything else we would like to send a huge shout out to all of the Firefighters and First Responders that kept our community safe. We know that it was a very stressful time for everyone. It was great to see students return to school.

June 29 Assessment Day
No School For Students

We are very proud of all that we have accomplished during the 2022-2023 school year. Our success is the result of all the hard work of our fantastic teachers, support staff and of course our amazing students and their families!

June 30 Last Day Of School Dismissal At 10:55am

The end of the school year is always bitter-sweet. We are excited that summer has finally arrived, but it is also sad to see students and staff move on to other schools or into retirement. This year, Mme. Josee is retiring. Mme. Josee has been at Kingswood as a Resource teacher since the school opened. She worked with and helped so many of our students be successful throughout the years. We cannot thank her enough for all that she has done to help make Kingswood the wonderful school that it is. We will miss her. We wish her all the best in her retirement and we hope to see her back as a substitute. We would also like to congratulate Ms. McBay as she has been named the new Principal for Atlantic Memorial Terrance Bay School. We know that she will do great things in her new role!

Sept. 7 First Day Back to School for Students

Kingswood is going to look very different next year. Not only will we be sending our current Grade 5's and 6's to MSMS but about 460 students will be moving to the new West Bedford School. We are going to miss all of them and we wish them all the best at their new schools! It was our pleasure to serve the families of West Bedford as they waited for the school to be built.

Many of our staff members will be leaving as well. Some of them will be moving with our students to West Bedford or MSMS while others have taken positions elsewhere. Here is a list of all of our staff moves.



Kim Aucoin	MSMS
Lisa Banks	West Bedford
Kelly Cyr	MSMS
Melanie Duffy	HRCE
Drew Fournier	West Bedford
Megan Hann	Sir Robert Borden
Darlene Hawco	Sackville Heights Elementary
Alicia Howell	Harry R Hamilton
Rhonda Izzard	HRCE
Krystal Kelly	John W MacLeod
France LeBlanc	West Bedford
Katelyn LeBlanc	West Bedford
Alyson MacLeod	West Bedford
Linda Maurice	Charles P Allen
Leanne McCarron	West Bedford
Jennie Mitton	West Bedford
Ainslie Rudolph	Bedford South
James Snider	West Bedford
Joanne Treen	West Bedford
Kate Whalen	West Bedford
Shauna White	West Bedford



We also want to give a huge shout out to our Term Teachers, Katie Appleton, Brenda Currie, Elizabeth Fox, Ashley Howe, Carly Ivey, Amy Mitchell and Jessica Watling. We wouldn't have been able to do it without them and we wish them all the best for next year.

Lastly, Martha, Carrie and I would like to thank everyone, students, staff and community for your support this year. We have truly enjoyed our year. We are looking forward to seeing our new and remaining students in September and we wish you a wonderful summer vacation!

See you on September 7th!

Andrea, Carrie and Martha



Fun Day!

We are so excited to be able to announce that we will be having a Fun Day on Monday June 26th (rain date: June 27th). Our PSA has been working hard to provide our students and the students of Hammonds Plains Consolidated with a magnificent day to celebrate the end of the year. We will basically be having a Spring Fair here during the school day. All of our students and the students from HPCS will be able to enjoy bouncy castles, outdoor games, treats and a Magic show, for FREE due to the support of many organizations! Please take the time to read the Fun Day Flyer for information.

Books

It is that time of year again when we are trying to locate all of the books that belong to the school. We are asking that everyone check their homes carefully for books that may belong to Kingswood and send them in ASAP. This includes classroom, resource and library books.

Lost and Found

We will be putting all of the Lost and Found items on display for the week of June 27-30. Please drop by to find your child's missing belongings.

Last Day of School—June 30th—Early Dismissal

On the last day students will be dismissed 4 hours earlier than usual. This means that dismissal time at Kingswood is 10:55. We recommend that you check BusPlanner on June 29th to confirm your child's bussing times.

End of Year Clap Out—Last Day—June 30th

At the end of each year we celebrate those students graduating from elementary School. This year we will be saying good-bye or see you later to our graduating Grade 5's and 6's. At 9:30am we will all meet on the field and we will have our students parade while the rest of our school cheers them on. Families of Grade 5 and 6 students are welcome to attend.

New Students

If your child is going to be a new student at Kingswood Elementary and you would like more information about our school, please go to our school website at www.kwe.hrce.ca.

We have posted and will continue to post some videos, handbooks and other resources that families will find useful.

School Calendar

The school calendar for the 2023-2024 school year is now available at www.hrce.ca. It's always a good idea to print this off to put on the fridge as it contains information about days school will be closed.

School Supplies

School Supply lists for September will be posted on our website July 1st, www.kwe.hrce.ca.

Summer Registration

School registration will continue throughout the summer. Please go to www.hrce.ca to find the necessary information on how to register.

Class Lists for September 2023-2024

Class lists will be available for parents to see on PowerSchool prior to the school year. It is important that you know that our lists for the first day of school will not be finalized until Wednesday September 6th at 4pm. That means you should check after that time to see what class your child is in. As we continue to register students we continue the work of balancing classes. In some cases significant changes will need to be made.



First Ride Program

Our service providers will host one-hour workshops for new bus families this summer to educate children about school bus safety on and around the vehicle. HRCE Student Transportation will be reaching out to new bus families over the summer with more information.

In the meantime, [click here](#) to learn more about riding the bus safely. Please contact them at transportation@hrce.ca or by calling 902-431-4723 if you have any questions.

2023-24 bus information

Student transportation information for the 2023-24 school year will be available to view online through the BusPlanner Parent Portal later in July.

- Families eligible for transportation will receive an email to access the Parent Portal to view their child's bus information once it is available.
- Once you receive the email, you must follow the instructions to activate your *new* Parent Portal account and create a password. Using previous Parent Portal login information will not work.

If you can't find the email, please contact 902-431-4723 or transportation@hrce.ca for assistance.

Over the summer, the HRCE Student Transportation Team will also reach out to new HRCE families and those families who may require special needs transportation for their children with more information about busing.