

Caudle Park Elementary

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

October was a busy month! We all learned a little more about Mi'Kmaq History and present day culture; as well as continuing to build upon our understanding that we are all treaty people.

Now that it is November, and we all have our routines down pat, we will not only continue our focus on high quality learning experiences, but this is also a great time for students to build upon and demonstrate their understanding in all of the wonderful things they are learning in class. Our school continues to focus of quality instruction, and work toward our school goals in Literacy and Math.

Fall seems to have arrived fully and colder weather is happening more consistently, we want to remind everyone that we go outdoors as much as possible. So, be sure to bundle up for those cold mornings or pack an extra pair of mittens/gloves in case those warm days cool off!

I also think that this time of year is the perfect opportunity to remember, and be grateful for the peace and community that we enjoy. So, for all of those who have paid the ultimate sacrifice guarding our peace, for those who have served and those who continue to serve...we remember. Please find time this Remembrance Day to remember, honour and give thanks those who have given us these gifts of freedom, peace, and security.

Sincerely,

Tom Cleary & Pat Wells



Important Dates

November 9

SAC/PTA Meetings

November 10

In-school Remembrance Day assembly

November 11

Remembrance Day – No School for Students

November 16

Picture Re-Take Day

November 19

Assessment & Evaluation Day – No School for Students

November 24

Report Cards go Home

November 25

PD Day / PT Conferences – No School for Students

Remembrance Day Ceremony

On Wednesday, November 10th, Caudle Park Elementary will hold our In-School Remembrance Day Ceremony. This ceremony is a way for our students to share and learn about peace, pay tribute, reflect, and understand the need for remembrance.

The ceremony will be for students and staff members only. Students in Guides, Scouts, Brownies, Beavers, Cadets, etc... are invited to wear their uniforms.

Remembrance Day will be observed on November 11th, there will be no school that day.

Parent/Teacher Interviews

We will be sending home report cards on Wednesday, November 24th. On Thursday, November 25th, there are scheduled Professional Development sessions for teachers in the morning, and Parent/Teacher meetings in the afternoon.

Once again, we will be holding Parent meetings virtually. Teachers will be in contact you to let you know what format their meetings will follow and find out when it would be best to reach you. Although we would like to have many meetings on November 25th we realize that we may have to spread out our meetings over the week. Stay tuned for more information before this date.

PTA News

Thank you for all of those who participated in our PTA's Blueberry Fundraiser. We will be sending out information on when they can be picked up ASAP. This year, our PTA has determined that all funds raised will go to support student learning initiatives this year, and to provide all school supplies for Caudle Park students next year. To help achieve these goals, we are launching a second fundraiser (the last one for 2021) this week.

Students have brought home two catalogues, "Gourmet Gifts" and "Merry and Bright, from which you can go online and purchase some Holiday gifts. Caudle Park will receive up to 40% of the purchase price, to support our PTA's goals.

All orders must be placed by November 10th for delivery before December 6th.



Safe Arrival: (902) 864-6870

If your child will not be at school, please call the safe arrival line to report that they will be absent. When you call, please state the date, your child's name, their teacher and reason for absence.

Coming to the School

If you are coming to drop something off to the school, or pick up your child for an appointment, please call the office beforehand or ring the front doorbell. We will call your child down to meet you there. Thank you for your understanding.

Please check our website and calendar regularly for important dates and events

Lunch Monitors Needed

We are currently looking for some full-time lunch monitors and several casual/on call lunch monitors. If you are looking for a way to become involved in the school and are available during 11:30-12:30pm, please see Mrs. Dominey, Mr. Cleary or Mr. Wells for more information.

Plans for Inclement Weather

It is important to take the time now to review our policy on inclement weather. In the event of an early/emergency dismissal (i.e. bad weather or emergencies such as a power outage) we will contact families directly to review how/with whom students will go home at dismissal. At the beginning of the school year, we sent home contact information sheets to be updated, please ensure that if there are any further changes to contact information/emergency contact people, you advise the school as soon as possible.

It is the decision of the Halifax Regional Center for Education as to whether or not school is closed. The school cannot make that decision. In cases when the weather is bad early in the morning, please listen to the local radio stations or the HRCE website (<https://www.hrce.ca/about-our-schools/parents/school-cancellations>) for school closures and/or delays. You can also sign up at to receive notifications by email or text from this site as well. Decisions are made by 6:00am and 11:00am for mid-day closures.

Caudle Park is in the Sackville High Family of Schools. In some cases, STOCK and SOUTHLAND will cancel bus service, but schools will remain open. A decision to cancel some or all bus runs will be announced by 6:00am. The cancelled buses, and impacted schools, will be identified in the announcement. On those days, parents are responsible for transportation. If busses are cancelled in the morning, they are cancelled for the whole day.



Reminders:

- Weather can be unpredictable. Please make sure to send appropriate outdoor clothing.
- Supervision starts at 8:10am each day. There is no supervision after school by staff.
- Please make sure to leave room for the buses in the morning and afternoon. They need to be able to get close to the curb for student safety. Please follow all posted parking signs on the road.

SchoolsPlus staff are here to support Caudle Park families.

Did you know SchoolsPlus can:

Help you navigate getting Christmas support, such as toys and food, for your family?

We understand the Covid-19 pandemic has had a big impact on income for many families, which may lead to Christmas being a financial difficulty. Please feel free to reach out to us if you require Christmas support through local agencies. We can help you find the forms to apply for food/gift support, fill in the forms with you, and even pick up your Christmas hamper if needed.

NOTE: Registration for the main Christmas support programs is already open and there are **deadlines as early as November 7th** so please reach out ASAP.

REMEMBER: SchoolsPlus services are confidential.

Yes, we can still do this during COVID-19. Just give us a call!

Your Caudle Park SchoolsPlus Team is Kaleigh McConnell (Assistant Leader), Megan Tobin (Community Outreach Worker), and Rachel Murray (Child and Youth Care Practitioner)

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