



Prince Street Elementary School Newsletter-April, 2026

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Dear Families:

We have turned the corner to spring! With three months of school left, we are working hard to meet all the outcomes and supporting student achievement. You can support your child(ren) by reading with them and asking questions about what they are learning.

Dates to Remember:

- April 2nd (Thursday)—World Autism Day (wear clothes inside out!)
- April 3rd (Friday)—Good Friday—No Classes
- April 6th (Monday)—Easter Monday—No Classes
- April 7th (Tuesday)-April 27th —Dental Clinic
- April 8th (Wednesday-6 p.m.) Home & School Meeting
- April 10th (Friday)-- Professional Learning Day—No Classes
- April 14th – 16th—Return of Coupon Book Orders
- April 21st (Tuesday)—Gr. 5 to Water School
- April 24th (Friday)—Pancake Breakfast Day
- April 24th (Friday-a.m.)—Gr. 6 HPV vaccinations
- April 27th (Monday)—Easter Seals School Tour
- April 30th (Thursday)—1:10 p.m. Spring Concert Gr.4-6
- May 1st (Fri.)—P.D. Day/3260 Convention—No Classes
- May 18th (Monday)—Victoria Day—No Classes
- May 21st (Thursday)-4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.—Welcome to Kindergarten
- May 29th (Friday a.m.) Orientation Morning for New Kindergarten *Students (no classes for existing Kindergarten students)*
- June 5th (Friday Evening-6-7:30 p.m.)—Spring Fling
- June 23rd (Tuesday)-9:30 a.m.—Grade 6 Closing
- June 25th (Thursday)—Final Day of Classes

Easter Seals:

PEI's 2026 Easter Seals Ambassador is 16-years old Rowan MacDonald. Rowan is a Grade Ten student attending Colonel Gray High School and lives in Charlottetown! Rowan is excited to visit every school in the Public Schools Branch and the French Language

School Board. In an effort to raise funds for Easter Seals PEI, he'll share his story to raise awareness about inclusion, accessibility and Easter Seals. "There is ability in every disability. We are no less. We are unstoppable" is Rowan's motto. Easter Seals has an important role in Island communities. The organization hopes to raise as much money as it can to help meet the needs of children with disabilities. This year the school tours are slated for the week of April 21st -29th. The Ambassador Tour will arrive at our school around **10:15 a.m. on Monday, April 27th**.

The following is a list of our student fundraising initiatives for Easter Seals:

- April 2nd (Thursday)--Ice Cream Sandwich sales-\$1.00
- April 9th (Thursday)—Wacky Tackie Thursday--\$1.00 donation
- April 13th – 17th (Monday-Friday)- Candy jar guesses. Guesses are .50¢ each at a.m. recess
- **In addition, monetary donations may be sent to your child's homeroom teacher.***



Pancake Breakfast:

Students will be treated to a pancake breakfast on Friday, April 24th.

Home & School News:

Please mark **Friday, June 5th** on your calendar for an evening of fun for parents, guardians, staff and students by attending the annual "Spring Fling!" Further information will be included in the May newsletter. Also, the next meeting will be held on **April 8th at 6 p.m. (Wed.)** and, if you are interested, we would appreciate your attendance and input!

Physical Education:

-Grade 5 & 6 Permission Forms for After School Track & Field Club will be available soon.

-There will be an Afterschool Volleyball Club starting in early May for girls in Grades 4-6. Ellie Beck, a teacher from Colonel Gray, will be coming to run these sessions. *Please watch for Permission Forms.* →



Library:

-Thank you for supporting the Scholastic Book Fair which was held during the week of March 2nd-6th. Because of your support, we were able to order some new material for the Library.

French Week:

During the week of March 23rd-27th students and staff enjoyed the many interesting and engaging activities to celebrate and learn about the French language and Francophone culture. Thank you to Mme. Allen for organizing these daily events!



Music:

-A Spring Concert called “A Fresh Start” will be held at 1:10 p.m. on Thursday, April 30th in the school’s Gymnasium. 4A, 5/6Y, 5/6Z and 6A; the Glee Club and Rock Band will be contributing. Doors open at 1 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend! The concert will last approximately one hour.

Dental Clinic:

Information went home with students regarding the upcoming School Oral Health Preventative Clinic to be held at our school commencing on Tuesday, April 7th until April 27th (tentatively). There is no cost involved as the preventative services are covered by the School Oral Health Preventative Program (SOHPP). Please visit <http://www.healthpei.ca/dentalhealth> for more information or email the dental staff at QUEENSDENTALSCHOOLTEAM@IHIS.ORG In addition, contact the Dental Public Health Clinic in Sherwood at (902)368-4918.

Change of Clothing:

As warmer weather arrives; we strongly recommend that all students have a change of clothing at school. There are lots of mud and puddles on the school grounds. Please Remember: Students should have clean indoor shoes and outdoor shoes/boots.

Good News Thursdays!

We continue to celebrate students who display on a regular basis one/or several of the character traits from our “PRINCE” values of Proud, Respect, Inclusive, Never Give Up, Caring, Empathy as well as the “Power Ups” of Responsible and Safe. The name of each student is recognized on the morning announcements each Thursday and a notification is sent home with the student.

Mrs. Courtney’s PBIS Corner:

PBIS stands for Positive Behavior Interventions & Supports. April’s school assembly will explore the school value “Never Give Up!” The school will also be focusing on safety in the hallways. Students will be challenged to Power-Up and use safe hands and feet,

especially when going outside for recess.

Welcome To Kindergarten:

-Orientation sessions for the 2026-2027 school year will be held for parents/guardians and new Kindergarten students on May 21st (Thursday) commencing at 4:30 p.m. Meeting duration will be one hour (approximately). Parents/guardians will receive further information next week.

-On May 29th (Friday morning) Kindergarten Orientation for students attending Kindergarten in September. **There will be NO CLASSES for existing Kindergarten students on Friday, May 29th.**

-If you know of anyone who hasn’t registered their child for Kindergarten, it would be very much appreciated if you could advise them do so as soon as possible.

Assessment Update:

-During the week of April 7th-10th Grade 3 students will be taking part in the Grade 3 Mathematics School-Based Assessment. This will be administered to all Grade 3 students in PEI.

Extra Curricular-Grade 5:

Information went home with Grade 5 students regarding the annual, day-long Water School event to be held on April 21st (Tuesday) at the Stratford Emergency Services building. They’ll learn about water conservation and various aspects of watersheds, including the water cycle, groundwater, wetlands, forestry and buffer zones in interactive, hands-on experiments and activity-based settings. Thank you to the City of Charlottetown and the Town of Stratford for providing this program annually.

Fundraising:

Information went home with students on March 25th regarding the upcoming Spring Coupon Booklet fundraiser. Orders are due the week of April 14th-16th and the booklets will go home with students the second week of May. All funds raised from this sale will be used to support school-based initiatives.

Welcome:

-Virginie Laura Yanga Tchapsa, E.A. will be with us until the end of this school year. Welcome aboard Virginie!

World Autism Day:

Staff and students are invited to wear clothes inside out on Thursday, April 2nd in observance of Autism Day.