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Prince Street Elementary School Newsletter - November, 2023



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Dates to Remember:

October 31st (Tuesday)—Costume Day/Orange & Black
October 31st/November 1st—Coupon Book Orders Due
November 1st-17th—Clothing Order On-Line Site Open
November 3rd (Friday)—Final Used Battery Collection Day
November 6th (Monday)—Students Attend Hockey Game
November 10th (Friday)—Coupon Books Go Home
November 13th (Monday)—Statutory Holiday—No Classes
November 16th & 17th (Thursday & Friday)...PEITF & CUPE Annual Conventions—No Classes
November 20th-24th—Scholastic Book Sale
Nov. 24th (Friday)..Parent Teacher Interviews—No Classes
December 14th (Thurs.-10 a.m.)—K-3/4Z Winter Concert
(Storm Date: December 15th)

Music News:

Glee Club is continuing with preparations for the upcoming Remembrance Day Assembly and future performances. Permission forms went home for after school bonus rehearsals on Wednesdays.

-The Rock Band has been rehearsing after school on Fridays. We look forward to the group sharing their music in December.

-The new Prince Street School song has been posted on the main page of our website. Thank you to Perry Williams, sound engineer and Liam Corcoran, song writer and guitarist, for helping Mrs. Davis and our Glee Club make this recording possible. Wow!!

-A Winter Concert with the theme “winter fun and unity” will be held **for Grades K-3/4Z** in the school gym on **Thursday, December 14th at 10 a.m.** (Storm Date: 15th). The change to a morning performance will allow ALL students to participate. A spring concert will be held for Grades 4-6.

Library:

-Canadian School Library Day was celebrated Monday, October 23rd. Students from Grades 3-6 were invited to share what message of “truth” they have learned from reading fiction with the top contributor winning a \$10.00 Indigo gift card. Students in younger grades participated in a coloring contest to win a new book.

-The Scholastic Book Fair will be held in person at the school and on-line during the week of **November 20th -24th**. Flyers will be sent home within the coming weeks. The Book Fair will conclude at **11 a.m. on the 24th**.

Physical Education News:

-Congratulations to all the students who participated in the Cross Country Zone meet at the Terry Fox Complex. These students did a great job representing Prince Street School, showing great sportsmanship and hard work.

-**After School:** Grades 5 & 6 after school basketball has commenced Thursday, November 2nd will be the final day for the after school Grades 4-6 girls’ volleyball.

Extra Curricular Activity:

On Monday, November 6th busses will leave the school at 11:20 a.m. to transport students to the Eastlink Centre to view a World Under 17 Hockey Challenge game. Students will return to school at approximately 2:00 p.m. An information memo has been sent home with students. **Please do not order food on-line for that day and bring a nut-free, bagged lunch.**

Breakfast Program & Morning Supervision:

-Students should not be dropped off before 8:00 a.m. as there are no supervising staff. ***Drop off is between 8-8:20 a.m. with instruction starting promptly at 8:30 a.m.***

-The Breakfast Program closes at **8:20 a.m.** Students need time to eat in order to arrive in class for 8:20 a.m.

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Report It:

The PSB Report It!" campaign focuses on promoting the importance of reporting school related incidents such as bullying, theft and violence while reinforcing the message that students should inform their parents, guardians, teachers, school counsellors, principals or other trusted adults when they need support. The direct link is active on our website's main page under "I'm Looking For"—Report It!- School Incident Reporting.

Home & School:

The minutes for the meeting held October 19th have been posted on our website. We are delighted to welcome the executive team for this school year is as follows: Tanya Arsenault, President; Greg Alsop, Vice President; Halah Latheef, Secretary; and Keir MacLeod, Treasurer.

-The PEI Home & School Federation newsletter for November has been posted on our website.

Seasonal Change:

-The fall season brings unsettled weather patterns. As a result, we suggest parents/guardians check the weather station in the morning to ensure your child has outerwear to withstand the climate during outdoor recess play times. Also, a spare set of socks, pants, mittens, etc. in the backpack would be a good idea for sloppy, messy weather days.

-We value the importance of play in the growth and development of our students. This year we are going to be heading outdoors during our recess times in all kinds of weather. It is important that children are dressed for the weather when they come to school. If you need help with supplying appropriate outdoor apparel, please contact us—we may be able to help.

-Sunday, November 5th, **2:00 a.m.** clocks are turned **backward** 1 hour to Sunday, November 5, 2023--**1:00 a.m.** local standard time instead.

Fundraising:

-The 2023 Stocking Stuffer Coupon Book order forms and information went home with students on October 12th. The cost is \$10.00 per booklet and orders are due on **October 31st and November 1st**. All orders must be pre-paid by **Cash Only**. Students should return their form and money in a reusable plastic bag with their name clearly labeled. Booklets will be sent home on **November 10th**. In addition to funds being directed towards the purchase of medical equipment for

the Pediatric Unit and Nursery Unit at the QEH, proceeds from this sale will be used to support school programs (i.e. Library, Music, Phys. Ed., School Activities; Breakfast/Snack).

Imprinted School Clothing:

-The website to order school logo imprinted clothing will be open November 1st to 17th. The link will be posted on our webpage. School clothing link:
<https://princestretelementary.itemorder.com/shop/home/>

Parent-Teacher Interviews & Learning Reports:

Parent-Teacher interviews will take place during the afternoons of November 20th-22nd (Monday-Wednesday 3:00 p.m.-4:15 p.m.); November 23rd (Thursday-3:00 p.m.-7:15 p.m.) and November 24th (Friday-9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.) Homeroom teachers will be sending home appointment times soon. First Term Learning Reports will be sent home with students on Friday, December 1st.

Remembrance Day:

Remembrance Day is Saturday, November 11th. This event will be recognized at a school-wide assembly on **Friday, November 10th at 10 a.m.** There will be **no classes on Monday, November 13th** (statutory holiday). Students return to class on Tuesday, November 14th.

Bus Safety:

The Public School Branch recently recognized National School Bus Safety Week (October 16th-20th). This effort was to help students with staying aware of the importance of riding safely on their buses. Safety tips were included daily on the morning announcements.

Halloween:

-On Tuesday, October 31st, classes will be having a Halloween dance/activities in the gym throughout the day. Students and staff are invited (but not required) to wear a costume (**without a costume mask**) or dress in orange and black. If you wish to send a nutritional treat to your child's class, it's welcome!

Kindness Kits:

If you know of a family who would benefit from a weekend "Kindness Kit" package of food items, please contact Mr. Anderson (gzanderson@edu.pe.ca) or telephone 902-368-6950 (office). On the last school day of each week, kits are placed in students' backpacks discreetly in order to maintain anonymity.

Thank You:

-Marlene Bryenton, author, for donating her book entitled The Magic Toothbrush to our Kindergarten and Grade 1 classes.