

NOVEMBER 2024

# OCEAN VIEW NEWS



## Ocean View Elementary

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### Bell Times

8:30 - Entrance Bell P-3  
8:45 - Pre Primary begins  
10:30- 10:45 - Recess  
12:14 - 1:15 - Lunch  
2:40- Pre Primary Dismissal  
2:45 - Dismissal - P-3 Dismissal

## IS YOUR CHILD SICK/ABSENT?

**Toll-Free Number**—Call 1-833-582-6940 to report an absence using an automated system.

- **PowerSchool Parent Portal** — Log into <https://sishrsb.ednet.ns.ca/public/> and access the SchoolMessenger website to report an absence.
- **SchoolMessenger App**—Download the SchoolMessenger app for Android and iOS devices and sign up using your PowerSchool username (full email address).

## Upcoming dates:

**November 5:** Parent/Guardian Meeting & SAC 6pm/7pm

**November 8:** Indigenous Veterans Day

**November 9** - Remembrance Day  
Assembly at 10:50

• **November 11:** Remembrance Day (no classes)

• **November 20:** Transgender Day of Remembrance

• **November 22:** Assessment & Evaluation Day for elementary and junior high

# Will school be cancelled?

HRCE takes great care when making the decision to alter the normal operations of schools and school buses due to weather. Learn more at [hrce.ca](http://hrce.ca)



## Inclement Weather

Did you know? HRCE takes great care when making the decision to alter the regular operations of schools and school buses in the event of severe or inclement weather.

It is HRCE's goal to communicate any changes to the regular operations of schools and/or buses as close to 6:00 a.m. as possible. A 6:00 a.m. announcement could be:

- All schools are delayed in opening by two hours and bus pickups are delayed by two hours; or
- All schools are open, but some or all busses are not operating for the day; or
- Some schools (either individually or by family) are closed for the day; or
- All schools are closed for the day.

If weather deteriorates, or is forecasted to worsen throughout the morning, an 11:00 a.m. announcement could be:

- Bussed students will be picked up two hours earlier than their regular dismissal time; and
- Walking students will be dismissed at their regularly scheduled lunch hour.

How will I find out?

- By email to the addresses in PowerSchool
- By text message, if you have opted-in. If you aren't sure if you have opted-in, text Y to the following number: 978338
- On the HRCE website
- On X (formerly Twitter)
- On Instagram

It's important to always have a plan in place for childcare in the event of any cancellation.

For more information on how HRCE manages during inclement weather, visit [hrce.ca/weather](http://hrce.ca/weather).



### Indigenous Veterans Day

Indigenous Veterans Day, observed on November 8, acknowledges the unique contributions and sacrifices made by Indigenous soldiers. This day highlights the bravery and commitment of Indigenous veterans, who have served with distinction despite facing historical and ongoing challenges.

### HEAD LICE POLICY

Head lice are tiny insects that live on the head. They lay eggs (called nits) close to the scalp. Head lice do not spread disease, and having head lice does not mean that you are not clean. Head lice are very common among children. Scratching the head can be a sign of head lice, but you can have head lice without any itching.

Once a child has been treated with the appropriate product to kill the lice, they are able to return to school. A second treatment is necessary after 9 to 10 days. Daily lice combing is required between the 1st and second treatment to ensure no new lice are able to hatch. There is information on our school homepage.



### REMEMBRANCE DAY OBSERVANCES

Students in grades PP to 3 will be attending a Remembrance Day Assembly in honour of our veterans and those presently serving in the Armed Forces. The assembly will be held in our gymnasium from approximately 10:45 am to 11:15 am on Friday, November 8th. Students who belong to a service organisation such as: Beavers, Cubs, Guides, Cadets, etc., are welcome to wear their uniform.

Any honoured guests are welcome to attend with their family. We have a handout for our wall of honour on the school website to fill out for any family member's who serve. If you need one you can also reach out to your child's teacher.





### **Transgender Awareness Week**

Transgender Awareness Week, observed in the second week of November, focuses on raising awareness about the issues facing transgender and gender non-conforming individuals. The week highlights the challenges transgender people face, such as discrimination and lack of healthcare access, and promotes acceptance and inclusivity by encouraging supportive policies and practices.

The week helps to foster solidarity within the transgender community and with allies, providing emotional support and strengthening the transgender movement. It culminates in the Transgender Day of Remembrance on November 20, a day to honour those lost to anti-transgender violence, emphasizing the need for continued protection and support.

### **Be an ally**

An ally is someone who actively and consistently supports, stands with and advocates for the 2SLGBTQIA+ communities. The best way to be an ally is to listen with an open mind. It is our responsibility to treat all people with dignity and kindness.