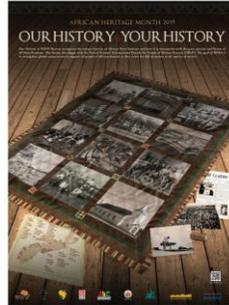




February 2019 Ocean Viewer



Upcoming Dates :

Feb 4-8th – Brittany Pennel (fine arts specialist with an Indigenous Focuss) works with all classes.

Feb 11-15th: Lockdown Drill will happen sometime this week

Feb 12th: 6pm- PTO meeting in library to put together candy grams. All welcome

Feb 14th: Candy Grams go out

Feb 15th: Staff appreciation lunch put on by PTO

Feb 18th: Family Day- Maud Lewis No school

Feb 22nd: Jackie Halsey – children’s author comes to speak to grades 2 & 3

Feb 26th: Maritime Center for African Dance comes to our school

March 1st: High 5 assembly 2pm

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Pediatrician

For anyone looking for a pediatrician: There is a new pediatrician in Dartmouth who is new and just started in November. He currently is building a practice and is available for new clients either **referred by a family doctor or by a walk in clinic**. His name is Dr. Allan Mweemba and his office is located at Penhorn Medical, 569 Portland Street, Unit 120 and telephone number is 902-469-2579.

Delayed Starts due to inclement weather (from HRCE):

If weather conditions warrant, the Halifax Regional Centre for Education could implement a delayed opening. Delayed openings would be considered when a severe weather event has concluded but snow clearing or other operations require additional time. Delayed opening may also be considered when the physical plant is experiencing an issue such as a power outage or loss of water and additional time is required to prepare the school to open. If this was to occur, school and pre-Primary would be **delayed by two hours**. In our school, this means school would **start at 10:45**. If Stock Transportation is operating, the expectation will be that students are picked up two hours later than their regularly assigned time pending any weather-related delays. Our lunch, afternoon schedule and dismissal times will remain at their regularly scheduled times. The Excel program will be cancelled for the morning only **Please remember that if you are NOT sending your child to school to call the SAFE ARRIVAL LINE at 902-465-8737**.

Communication

Communication between home and school is very important. If you have any questions around your child's progress please contact their teacher. If there is a question you have that the teacher is unable to answer, they will guide you to the appropriate person.

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Outside Play

Please remind your children that snow and ice are to stay on the ground. Throwing of snow or ice is not permitted at our school. We love seeing the children play in the snow and want to make sure that everyone stays safe. Thank you for your support with this.

What has gone on at Ocean View Elementary:

We have lots of great things happening here at OVES! Here are just some of them:

- Learning buddies
- Literacy Groups between classes
- Literacy Coaching
- Math Coaching
- Dreambox access for our whole school
- Recreational programs at lunch such as Sportball for grade primaries (25 students are participating) , Yoga for grade 2 (20 students are participating). We will hopefully be getting more programs in the spring.
- Focused Math intervention
- Caring Schools re-launch
- Restorative Approach PD
- Guests in our building such as : Jonathan Grady (fine arts specialist - drama); Brittany Pennel (fine arts specialist with Indigenous focus) ; Maritime Center for African Dance, Jackie Halsey –children’s author
- Applied for grants and will have enough monies to purchase 4 more stationary bikes for classrooms.
- High 5 assemblies
- Fabulous Friday Phone Calls

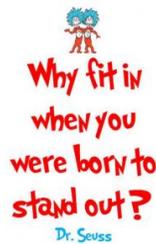
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- Breakfast program
- PTO events such as: Candy Grams
- AND SO MUCH MORE!

What a great place to be!

Snow, Snow, Snow!

Our goal is to be outside enjoying the fresh air as often as possible. Please send your children with snowpants, boots, hats, and mitts so that they can enjoy the outside comfortably. If you put an extra pair of clothing in their backpack, that would save some phone calls if your little one gets wet. In the morning, if it is wet enough that students should come in before first bell, a sign will be posted to let you know. **However, there are just too many little bodies for the parents to join us inside.** Please “kiss and go” so that we can keep our main foyer as clear as possible.



School Cancellation Chart (click on picture):



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Dogs on Property:

We appreciate people respecting the rule about dogs staying off of school property during school hours.

Parking.....

Parking During a Rainy Day or Storm:

During a rainy day or storm we all want to be able to get to our children as quickly as possible. However, during bad weather it is imperative that people only park on the right hand side of Ocean View School road. Please follow the signage on the roads. Thank you for your support with this.

Bus Parking

We have a designated bus parking spot for our buses. **PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN THIS AREA.**