



Ocean View Elementary

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THE OCEANVIEWER MAY 2017

IMPORTANT DATES	
EASTERN PASSAGE COWBAY LIONS CLUB FUNDRAISING BREAKFAST 8-10	APRIL 29
PTO MEETING @6:30	MAY 2
DONNA AND ANDY PRESENTATION @ 1:00	MAY 11
SAC MEETING @ 6:30	MAY 16
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY (NO CLASSES)	MAY 19
VICTORIA DAY (NO CLASSES)	MAY 22
PRIMARY ORIENTATION 1-2	MAY 26
PTO SPRING FLING 10-1	JUNE 3

FUNDRAISING BREAKFAST

We want to invite everyone to breakfast at the Eastern Passage Cowboy Lions Club in support of our school breakfast program on Saturday April 29 from 8-10am. The menu consist of bacon, sausage, scrambled eggs, hash browns, tea , coffee, juice. The price is \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children under 12 years.

ART AUCTION

We want to thank everyone who supported our second annual Art Auction.

SPRING FLING

The PTO is busily planning this year's Spring Fling which will take place on Saturday June 3 from 10am-1pm here at the school. We are in need of many volunteers to make this venture a success. If you are interested in helping before the date, taking a shift during the spring fling or behind the scenes please go to the spring fling website www.epspringfling.com You can also join us on Tuesday May 2 at 6:30pm at our PTO meeting to get updates, make suggestions or sign up first to volunteer at a station to your liking. We need your help to make this a fun day for our students! We need you.

DONNA & ANDY PRESENTATION

On Thursday May 11, Donna & Andy musical performers will be here at 1pm to present to our students in the gym.

PRIMARY ORIENTATION

The primary orientation will take place on Friday May 26, from 1-2pm. The children will spend time in classrooms with teachers, while parents have an information session in the gym. If your child has not had their vision screened, please call the office to make an appointment for vision screening.

TRAFFIC

We appreciate the concern and frustration due to the traffic/parking situation. However, please do not drive onto school property during school hours.

PETS AT SCHOOL

We understand that children love their pets and enjoy walking them to school, however, please do not bring pets onto school property. We have had a number of unpleasant incidents that have had an impact on our students.

SCENT AND NUT AWARE

For the safety of our students and staff, please do not send foods containing **nuts** and **please refrain from wearing scents or bringing scented products** to school.

LATE SLIP PROCEDURES

If your child arrives after our 8:40 bell and O'Canada, we ask that your child stop by the office to have their attendance recorded and pick up a late slip to give to their classroom teacher.

SCHOOL SUPERVISION

Please remember that there is no supervision on the school grounds until 8:20 am.
Please do not have your child arrive before this time.

SAFE ARRIVAL

If your child will not be attending school or will arrive late please call the Safe Arrival Line at 902-465-8737 or the main office at 902-465-8670. A message may be left on the answering machine. If your child becomes ill during the day, we will call you. If you change your telephone numbers or any of your contact information please let us know.

LUNCH MONITORS

We are in desperate need of lunch monitors, even if you are available one day a week, every second week or once a month. Shifts are **1.00hr/day**. The current hourly wage is \$12.76/ hr. plus 4% vacation pay. Please call or visit the school office if you are interested. More info can also be found on the HRSB website at www.hrsb.ns.ca.

CHANGE OF CLOTHES

Please send a change of clothes to school for your child, just in case it's needed.

CAMPS

Canadian Parents for French - Nova Scotia has an exciting summer camp season for 2017. For more information and application forms, visit ns.cpf.ca or call 902-453-2048/toll free 1-877-273-5233

EXCEL REGISTRATION INFORMATION FOR 2017-2018:

Families who are interested in registering their children in EXCEL's recreation program for the 2017/2018 school year are encouraged to mark the following important dates on your calendars:

- **April 24th** - Beginning at 8:00 am current participants of the 2016/2017 EXCEL program may submit an application for the coming school year via the online application system; by email; or by fax. On April 18th Account Holders of current participants will receive an email containing their user name and password providing them exclusive access to the online application system. Current participant families that have additional siblings that will be registering for the first time with EXCEL are eligible to register all children in their family during this early registration period.

- **May 1st** - General Registration begins for all EXCEL Before and/or After school programs at 8:00 am on May 1st. Applications may be submitted via the online system or the EXCEL office at 25 Alfred Street, Dartmouth. Individuals paying by Pre-Authorized Payment, MasterCard or Visa ONLY may register on-line. Go to <https://secure.hrsb.ns.ca/excel> to access.

We encourage parents to submit their applications in a timely manner to ensure the greatest opportunity for entry into the program as demand often exceeds capacity. Applications will be accepted on a first-received, first-accepted basis. (Priority is not given to Before & After participants over After only.) Full-time participation (5 days/week) is required. Please see the EXCEL pages on the HRSB website for more information on registration and the program.

COUNSELLOR'S CORNER



Helping you find the right
community and social services.
www.ns.211.ca

Families often have to deal with many different issues, and it can be hard to find reliable information and answers when you need them. I'd like to tell you about two free resources in the province that can be a great help. Nova Scotia 211 is a 24/7 multi-language service that can be accessed online or over the phone. Phone operators are friendly and work hard to help you. You can search for information on financial, social and food assistance, housing, disability and other government supports, mental health and parenting programs, and a lot more. Just dial 211 or visit www.ns.211.ca. Family Law Nova Scotia (www.nsfamilylaw.ca) is a website that helps explain family laws to Nova Scotians. It offers clear information and resources about family law, including separation and divorce, custody and access, child support, mental health and family violence.



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DARTMOUTH ALL-CITY MUSIC!

If you are going to grade 4 in the fall and want to learn to play the violin or cello, please visit <http://dacm.hrsb.ns.ca>. Registration will open in early May.

Do you love to sing? Will you be grade 4 or higher in the fall? Why not audition for an All-City Choir? Please ask your school music teacher about us, or visit <http://dacm.hrsb.ns.ca> in early May for more information.

HANDWASHING

We want to remind students to use good hand washing and to not share hats etc. as we have had cases of flu, roseola, chicken pox and head lice. www.kidshealth.org