



Beaver Bank Kinsac News



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Dates To Remember

Tues., Jan. 8 – SAC meeting @ 5:45 in the library
PTA meeting @ 6:30 in the library
Tues., Jan. 29 – BBK New-to-You Book Swap
Thurs., Jan. 31 - BBK New-to-You Book Swap
Fri., Feb. 1 – Primary Registration Begins



We would like to extend a HUGE THANK YOU to...

- Our BBK Families for being amazing audiences during our Christmas concerts and to those of you helped set up and tear down the chairs and decorations!
- Our BBK Families who donated food items to Feed NS. We were able to help feed some bellies during the holidays!
- The BBK PTA for raising money and creating baskets to raffle off for our students! We had some very excited winners!



Student Cell Phones and Electronics

We strongly encourage families to keep all student cell phones and electronics at home. Things are misplaced and damaged at school everyday and we do not want anyone upset about a lost or damaged cell phone or electronic device. It is also very difficult for school staff to monitor appropriate internet access and photos/videos on personal devices which could compromise the safety and security of the students in our school. For these reasons, it is our hope that families will choose to keep all student electronic devices at home.

We do recognize however, that some families want their children to carry their electronics back and forth to school for a variety of valid reasons. In these very special circumstances, students are expected to leave their electronics off and in their backpacks during their entire day at school. They are not permitted to be out at any time when students are on school property. The only exception to this is if a classroom teacher is permitting their students to use their personal devices for a special learning activity or reward. It is important for all families to know that the school will not take responsibility for any lost or damaged electronics. We thank you in advance for your support.



From Mrs. Gaudet in the Library

To continue the celebration of literacy, Beaver Bank Kinsac Elementary will be holding its 6th New-to-You Book Swap on Tuesday January 29th & Thursday January 31st. Families are asked to begin sending in any gently used, current books to school with your child that we can put into our book swap. Students will have an opportunity to swap out their books for other books brought in by students.

Dig under your bed, in the basement, and in your closet for gently used and no longer read books to swap out for some fresh ones. Happy Reading!

Thank you in advance for your continued support in this exciting literacy event for our students.
***chapter books are greatly needed

Primary Registration

Primary Registration for the 2019/2020 school year will take place Feb 1- Feb 28. Children being registered for grade Primary must be 5 years of age on or before December 31, 2019.

Parents/guardians are required to show child's Birth Certificate, proof of residency, and provincial health card number.

Morning and Afternoon Routines

The routines that are established by classroom teachers are important to the academic and social growth of our students. The morning routines begin when students enter the building at 8:15 and continue until dismissal at 2:15. We aim to keep disruptions during these times to a minimum for the benefit of all of our students.

School or Bus Cancellation

The Halifax Regional Centre for Education takes great care when making the decision to alter the normal operations of schools in the event of severe or inclement weather. Decisions on school closures and/or bus cancellations are made as close to 6 am as possible and are posted on the centre's website at www.hrce.ns.ca, on Twitter at [www.twitter.com/HRCE_NS](https://twitter.com/HRCE_NS), recorded on the school cancellation line at 464-INFO (4636) and communicated to all local radio stations. Beaver Bank Kinsac is part of the Lockview High Family of Schools.

Head Lice

Head lice can appear in schools and other public places from time to time. The link below is provided by the Department of Public Health as a resource to support families with head lice. If you suspect that your son/daughter has head lice please contact the school.

<https://www.novascotia.ca/dhw/publications/public-health-education/07135-head-lice-pamphlet-en.pdf>



Parking Lot Safety

In an effort to maximize student safety, we are asking families not to drive into the driveway or parking lot during morning drop off and afternoon pick up. These areas need to be clear for buses and walkers. For those of you who are entering the parking lot during these times, please remain parked until the buses leave the driveway. Please do not try to cut in front of them as they are moving.

Safe Arrival

The bell for students to enter the building is 8:15. From 8:15 to 8:25, we will play O'Canada, share the morning announcements and teachers will complete their attendance. At 8:25, classes begin. Students arriving after 8:25 will be late and will need to check in at the office before heading to class.



Information

Please follow us on Twitter @bbkinsac and on our website at <https://bbk.hrce.ca> for information and updates. You will find contact information for our school staff on our website. Please feel free to contact us anytime!

