



Beaver Bank Kinsac News



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Dates To Remember

- Tues., Oct. 1 – SAC & PTA meetings
- Tues., Oct. 8 & Thurs., Oct. 10 – Grade 6 Provincial Math Assessment
- Mon., Oct. 14 – Thanksgiving Day
- Tues., Oct. 15 & Thurs., Oct. 17 – Grade 6 Provincial Literacy Assessment
- Wed., Oct. 16 – Picture retakes and classroom photos
- Thurs., Oct. 24 – Halloween Dance 6-7 pm
- Fri., Oct. 25 – Provincial Conference Day – No school for students
- Thurs., Oct. 31 – Black & Orange Day – Halloween



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

- Everyone who donated a toonie for Terry! We raised \$515.00 that will go to support cancer research!





A Message from Ms. Neufeld

Choir starts soon at BBK. Choir is for students in Grades 4-6. If your child loves to sing, have them join the BBK School Choir. Practices are on Tuesdays from 12:15-12:40 starting October 8th. A note has been sent home to students in Grades 4-6. Please complete the form and have it sent back to the Music Teacher, Ms Neufeld.

School Advisory Council

The School Advisory Council (SAC) is a committee of parents, school staff and community members who meet a minimum of six times per year. Each school is mandated by the Education Act to have an SAC to advise the administration on educational matters. The SAC will have their next meeting on Tuesday, November 5 at 5:45 pm. We are currently looking for new members. If you are interested in learning more, please send an email to Kelly Clarke at kclarke@hrce.ca.

Parent/Teacher Association

The Parent/Teacher Association (PTA) is a group of parents, school staff and community members who work together to promote a sense of school community by hosting events such as dances, bingo and paint night; and raise money for classroom resources, field trips, etc. The PTA will have their next meeting on Tuesday, November 5 at 6:30 pm. Everyone is welcome to attend.



Nova Scotia Provincial Assessments

Our Grade 6 students will be writing the math assessment over 2 days (Oct. 8 & 10) and they will be writing the literacy assessment over 2 days (Oct. 15 & 17). The grade 6 teachers will be working hard over the next week to prepare our students for these assessments. For information about the assessments, please visit:

https://plans.ednet.ns.ca/sites/default/files/documents/RWM6/2018-2019_RWM6-EN_ReportPamphlets%2811-2018%29.pdf



Halloween Dance

On the evening of Thurs., Oct. 24 we invite you to our Halloween Dance. The doors will open at 6:00 and we will dance until 7:00. You are welcome to wear your costumes but please leave your masks and weapons at home so that we don't scare any of our little ones!

Black & Orange Day

On Thurs., Oct. 31, Halloween Day, we are asking all students to wear black and orange.

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.

Afternoon Dismissal

We are extending a huge thank you to all of you for remaining outside while you wait to pick up your child!! It has made our dismissal routine much smoother, safer and more efficient! As many of you know, our main entrance is extremely busy at the end of the day as teachers are bringing their students out to meet buses, day care providers and families.



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!