



# April 2024 Newsletter Spring Park School

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**Safe Arrival Line 902-569-7785**

At Spring Park School we have a Safe Arrival Line which parents/guardians can call before 9:00 AM. Calling this line will enable us to ensure the safety of your child.

## Dates to Remember:

April 1 - Statutory Holiday (no classes)

April 8- Solar Eclipse, **school is dismissed at 12:30 buses to leave at 12:35**

April 9 – Heritage Fair at Spring Park School

April 19 – Professional Learning Day (no classes)

May 3 - CUPE 3260 Annual Convention (no classes)

May 20 - Statutory Holiday (no classes)

## Arrival

Bus students will arrive between 8:05 – 8:15 am. We ask students walking or being dropped off to do so between 8:15 – 8:25. All students are to go to the playground until the 8:20 bell rings to enter the building.

## End of the Day Pick-up

A reminder to Parents/Guardians to please wait on the sidewalk across from the bus lane until all the buses have left before coming to meet your child in front of the school.

## Bus Notes

We are **not** accepting bus notes currently, except for primary childcare. If you need to make a change to after school plans, please call the school **NO LATER** than 2:00PM

## Scent Free School

SCENT FREE Please note that Spring Park School has a fragrance/scent free rule that complies with the Public Schools Branch. Recently, there has been an increase in concerns related to scents in PSB learning and workplaces. For many people, when exposed to the ingredients in scented products, it can adversely affect a person's health. People with allergies and asthma report that certain odors, even in small amounts, can cause asthma symptoms. Please take the time to read the PSB scents policy which can be found at: <https://psb.edu.pe.ca/schools/school-health-and-safety/scented-products-and-fragrances>

## Get your April fool's joke here



## SPS Hot Lunch Program:

Hot Lunches for dates April 8-18 Orders will open April 4 and will close Mon. April 8 @ 9:00 AM  
Orders for April 22- May 2 will open April 18 and close Mon. April 22 at 9am.

Monday – Quiznos

Tuesday - Dominoes' Pizza

Wednesday - Subway

Thursday – Pita Pit

Milk can be ordered every day.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SCHOOL DOES NOT PROVIDE



UTENSILS.

<https://springparkschool.hotlunches.net/admin/>

(School access code: **SPHL** for new registration)

\*\*Reminder that all lunch orders must be paid by 9AM Monday morning, or the order will be deleted.

Bon Appétit! Sign up your child for healthy school food meals that will be served daily in schools. \$5.75 per lunch or pay what you can. Donate to pay for another child who cannot afford to pay for a healthy lunch! April 8-19 – Orders open Mar. 30 close at noon Thur. April 4.

E-mail: [info@peischoolfood.ca](mailto:info@peischoolfood.ca)

Phone: 902-380-3663

Register here and order: <https://peischoolfood.ca/>

## Earth Day April 22

The 54th Earth Day is Monday April 22

<https://www.earthday.org/>



## Peanut/Nut Restricted School

Spring Park School is a peanut/nut restricted school. We have several students who have a life-threatening food allergy (anaphylaxis) to peanuts/nuts. Our school strives to keep these students safe in the school environment. It is necessary to check all ingredient labels to see if the products contain peanuts/nuts. Please do not send these products to school or on field trips at any time.

Thank you for your cooperation.

## Solar Eclipse April 8

Sky-gazers across North America are in for a treat on April 8 when a total solar eclipse will pass over Mexico, the United States and Canada.

**Don't look at the sun unless you have special eclipse glasses:**



Need to be ISO approved – the school will provide these for Students

Without proper eye protection during a solar eclipse it can cause “eclipse blindness”. This damage can be temporary or permanent and occurs with no pain. Also do not use a phone to look at the sun as you can accidentally be blinded. Also make sure your animals stay inside.

# Coaches Corner

## Badminton Team

Students who make the badminton team will receive additional information regarding the location and times for the Zones and Provincials.

### **After School Practice Schedule:**

**WEDNESDAYS (2:45-3:45 pm) April 3rd and April 10<sup>th</sup>**

### **Zone 3 Competition**

**Doubles- Monday, April 15<sup>th</sup>**

**Singles Preliminaries- Tuesday, April 16<sup>th</sup>**

**Singles Finals – Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup>**

### **Badminton Provincial Championships:**

**Singles and Doubles Preliminaries- Tuesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**Singles and Doubles Finals - Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup>**

**For any updates regarding our Badminton Club, please visit our Phys-Ed blog:**

<https://sites.google.com/cloud.edu.pe.ca/sps-physical-education/home>

If you have any questions, please email:

Mr. Maddix([kjmaddix@edu.pe.ca](mailto:kjmaddix@edu.pe.ca)) OR Ms. Canning ([kqcanning@edu.pe.ca](mailto:kqcanning@edu.pe.ca))

# Music News

## **Grade 5 Musical - Save the Date!**

Our Grade 5 spring musical will be taking place on **Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup>** in the afternoon - save the date and stay tuned for more information to come!

## **Grade 6 Honour Choir**

The PEI Junior Honour Choir concert will be taking place on **Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm at Park Royal United Church** - all are welcome to attend!

Grade 6 students who are participating in the Honour Choir **are asked to arrive at Park Royal at 10am on April 20<sup>th</sup>** to rehearse and prepare for the concert. Our choir uniform for the day is a white shirt with black pants or skirts. Please remember to bring your water bottles, indoor shoes, and a lunch!

## **Festival Choirs**

Our Spring Park grade 1-2 choir and grade 3-6 festival choirs will be performing at the Queens County Music Festival during the week of April 22<sup>nd</sup>-26<sup>th</sup>. All are welcome to attend the performance at the festival (there is an admission cost of \$2 for audience members), which will take place during the morning at Park Royal United Church - exact date and times to follow. Our choirs will be traveling from school by bus and are asked to dress in our choir uniform: white shirts with black or dark pants or skirts. An information sheet and permission form will be sent out soon with more information!

## **Rock Band**

May 4<sup>th</sup> will be the date of the 2024 Island School's Rock Showcase. Both of our senior rock bands will be participating this year. The day is on a Saturday and will require bands to come in for a sound check during the day (schedule TBD) and then come for the show that evening (time TBD). The showcase this year will be taking place at the LCol. J. David Stewart Armoury located at the corner of Haviland and Water Streets (look for the tank out front!). More info will come as we get closer to the show date.

# Home and School News



The Spring Park Home and School Association had another successful meeting on March 13. We reviewed and voted to move forward on all resolutions for the Home and School Federation AGM in April.

This includes installing vaping detectors in junior and senior high schools, implementing a school-closure policy for temperatures above 35C, and to create policies related to appropriate screen-use in primary schools, among others.

We had a great discussion with the Graduation Committee about parent involvement in the end-of-year activities for Grade 6 students (stay tuned for more on that). AND we got a tour of the newly installed sensory paths at the school, the first of several that will provide opportunities for students to learn in different ways, made possible through a generous grant from the PEI Wellness Grant Program.

We're gearing up now for Spring Coupon Books, to tend the gardens out front, and continue to serve breakfast to the kids at the school. If you aren't already, get involved!

Reach out anytime to get more information and join our conversation on Facebook:

[SpringParkHSA@gmail.com](mailto:SpringParkHSA@gmail.com)

If you would like to help out for the breakfast program please email:

[spsbreakfastprogram@gmail.com](mailto:spsbreakfastprogram@gmail.com)

Finally, I was wondering why the frisbee kept getting bigger and bigger. And then it hit me.

## Gold Rush

Sign up and play  
(<https://causable.io/cospei/>)

A promotional graphic for the Gold Rush game. It features a smartphone displaying the game interface with the text "GOLD RUSH SELECT A GROUP". To the right of the phone, the text reads: "HOW DOES MY SELECTED SCHOOL BENEFIT? Every week you play, the proceeds of your ticket purchases go directly to the school you choose to support. You don't have to win for your school to benefit." At the bottom, there are logos for COS and GOLD RUSH, and the URL "COSPEI.GOLDRUSH.CAUSABLE.IO".

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## Coupon Books

Please use the hotlunch program to purchase your **COUPONS**: <https://springparkschool.hotlunches.net/admin/>

For new registration the code is: SPHL

You can pay by cash or cheque made out to Spring Park School

Please put order forms and money in

Paper bag or a reusable bag on:

Tues. April 23<sup>rd</sup>

or

Wed. April 24<sup>th</sup>

Coupon books will be sent home

week of May 8<sup>th</sup>.