



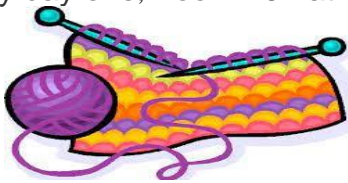
Spring Park April/ Avril Newsletter 2025

Dates to Remember:

April 4 – Crazy Hat/Hair day
April 10 – Twin Day
April 10 – Heritage Fair at Spring Park
April 11 – Professional Learning Day (no classes)
April 17 – Jersey/Sports shirt day
April 18- Good Friday (no classes)
April 21 – Easter Monday (no classes)
April 23 – Grades 1-6 going to Matilda the Musical at Confederation Centre
April 25 – Pajama Day
April 28 – Easter Seals Ambassador visit @ 11:20
May 2 – Union meetings day for staff (no classes)
May 19 – Victoria Day (no classes)

Knitting Club

There is a knitting club for Gr. 5-6 that will take place every day one, Room 204 at 12:05.



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.

The librarian thanks all students for the success of the book fair which will provide new books for the library.

*How do you read a book about plants?
You leaf through it.*

Mark Your Calendars!!

*Scholastic BOGO Fair is coming to
Spring Park School
May 5th-9th-8:00 4:00 pm
(Family Buying Times-afterschool)*

Coaches Corner

Badminton Information

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

Zone 3 - Competition

Doubles- *Monday, April 14th*
Singles Preliminaries- *Tuesday, April 15th*
Singles Finals – *Wednesday, April 16th*

Badminton Provincial Championships:

Singles and Doubles Preliminaries- *Thursday, April 24th*
Singles and Doubles Finals - *Saturday, April 26th*

Please continue to visit our PE blog for any times, changes and information pertaining to our Badminton Team: <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) OR Ms. Canning (kgcanning@edu.pe.ca)

SPS Hot Lunch Programs

Hot Lunches for dates April 7-18 orders will open Thursday March 27 and will close Mon. April 7 @ 9:00 AM. For dates April 22 – May 2 orders will open Thursday April 10 and will close Mon. April 22 at 9am. **Reminder that all lunch orders must be paid by 9AM Monday morning, or the order will be deleted.

Monday – Quiznos

Tuesday – Domino's Pizza

Wednesday – Subway

Thursday – Pita Pit

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SCHOOL DOES NOT PROVIDE UTENSILS.

<https://springparkschool.hotlunches.net> (School access code: **SPHL** for new registration)

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!

E-mail: info@peischoolfood.ca Phone: 902-380-3663

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

SPS Home and School Association



Mark your calendars with our next meeting on **Wednesday, April 30 at 6 pm** in the school library. Your child is entered to win a pizza party for their class when you attend!

We continue to encourage all parents and caregivers to attend our meetings. If you're unable, and have an interest in volunteering with us, or have any concerns you'd like to raise, please reach out at springparkhsa@gmail.com.

Make sure you are following us on Facebook and Instagram so you can stay up to date on any announcements or activities. We love to engage with our families as much as possible!

Curious about how you can help out? We have ongoing committees throughout the school year that require very little time commitment (we know we're all busy!). The two committees that will have more on the go in the spring are Outdoor Space and Graduation Committee! If you love gardening or being outdoors, Outdoor Space Committee could use your help tidying up our grounds. If you have a child finishing up grade 6, join the Graduation Committee! Check out how you can help us below!

- **Outdoor Space** – Help keep our grounds beautiful by weeding flowerbeds, planting trees, and supporting playground repairs and upgrades. We organize these efforts 3-4 times a year, and every little bit helps!
- **Breakfast Program** – Volunteer for an hour a week, a month, or however often you can to help prepare and serve breakfast to 150 students. Don't worry if you're new—experienced parents are always on hand to show you the ropes.
- **Graduation** – Is your child graduating from Grade 6 this year? Join us in making this milestone memorable! Collaborate with teachers and fellow parents to plan a special celebration. You can contribute as much time as you'd like to make it an unforgettable event.
- **Fundraising** – Help us raise funds through initiatives like our spring coupon book sales and the Gold Rush promotion. We're always open to new ideas and have several events throughout the year. Whether you can pitch in 4-5 times a year or want to get involved more regularly, your support makes a difference!

Connect with us on Facebook, Instagram or send us an email at springparkhsa@gmail.com anytime. We're here for parents, staff, and students.

We can't wait to see you at our next meeting!

Easter Seals Fundraiser

On Monday, April 28, this year's Easter Seals Ambassador, Remi Dean, will be visiting Spring Park School at 11:20 as part of the school tour. We will be having special theme days as a fundraiser for Easter Seals. We kindly ask that families send in a donation on the theme days. On Friday, April 4, we will be having a crazy hat/hair day. On Thursday, April 10, we will be having Twin Day (students can dress alike). On Thursday, April 17, we will be having a jersey or sports shirt day. Finally, on Friday, April 25, we will be having a pajama day. Thank-you for supporting our Easter Seals fundraiser!


Matilda the Musical

On Wednesday, April 23, students in Grades 1-6 will be attending Colonel Gray's production of Matilda the Musical at the Confederation Centre of the Arts. We will be leaving school by 8:45 that morning so it will be important for all students to arrive to school on time. The cost will be \$10. Permission forms will be going home soon.

Social Emotional Learning

As a school, we have been working on Social Emotional Learning as part of our School Goals. During January and February, we worked on kindness. In March and April, we have focused on respect.

Attendance

Positive routines, positive results  A strong morning routine helps ensure students arrive at school ready to learn. Let's help our kids succeed by setting them up for success each morning! Please remember that school begins at 8:30 so students should arrive in time to get settled to begin their learning on time.

Spring Weather

Spring weather can be unpredictable. Students should be dressed for the weather. Due to the conditions, our play areas are wet and muddy so we recommend students bring extra clothes that they can leave at school in case they get wet and muddy. This will help to decrease calls home to bring dry clothing.

After School Plans

If you need to change your child's after school please, please make sure you call the school before 2:00 pm to ensure we are able to get the message to your child. All students being picked up at the end of the day must be picked up by **2:40**. There is no supervision for students after this time.

Bus Aide

We are pleased to announce that we have been granted a Bus Aide by the PSB. Ms. Kassey LeClair, one of our amazing Educational Assistants, will be travelling on bus 112 in the afternoons until the end of the year. She will be reinforcing expected behaviors and helping to make sure students are safe on the bus.

April Music News

Rock Band Showcase

Our rock bands are hard at work preparing for the Island Rock Showcase which will take place on **Saturday, April 5th at Birchwood Intermediate School at 5pm.**

Professional sound techs are on site for professional quality sound checks all day. Here is the order of the sound checks with Spring Park Bands in bold:

10:30 - Spring Park - The Boltz

11:00 - Prince Street

11:30 - Spring Park - The Sparkz

12:00 - Birchwood 1

12:30 - Montague Consolidated

1:00 - Parkdale

1:30 - Birchwood 2

2:00 - KRHS

2:30 - Somerset

3:00 - St. Louis

You're only needed for the half hour that your sound check is on, and Mr.O will have all of the instruments at Birchwood, so all you need to do is show up! The order of the concert is the reverse order of the soundcheck. With rock band, it is very important to have all of our members present for both the soundcheck and the performance—if you know of any conflicts with your rocker for that date, please let Mr. O know ASAP by emailing rdodonnell@cloud.edu.pe.ca.

Grade 6 Honour Choir

The PEI Junior Honour Choir concert will be taking place on **Saturday, May 3rd at Park Royal United Church** - all are welcome to attend! Grade 6 students who are participating in the Honour Choir will be asked to come to Park Royal in the morning to rehearse and prepare for the concert - exact times to follow. 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 4-6 Choir, Grade 2-3 Choir, and K-1 Singing Club will be performing at the **Queens County Music Festival during the week of May 5th-9th.** All are welcome to attend the performances at the festival, 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 grade 2-6 students 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!

Grade 5 Musical - Save the Date!

Our Grade 5 spring musical will be taking place the afternoon of **Thursday, May 15th** for students in classes 5A, 5B, and 5C - save the date and stay tuned for more information to come!

Music Dates to Note:

April 5th - Island Rock Showcase

May 3rd - Honour Choir Concert

May 5th-9th (TBD) - Festival Choirs at Queens County Music Festival

May 15th - Grade 5 Musical



 **Ensure that your school is registered**

REGISTER NOW for the P.E.I. Home and School Federation’s Annual General Meeting & Convention...

Date/Time: Saturday, April 12, 2025, 08:45 a.m. – 01:30 p.m.

Fee: \$40 per person

Place: Rodd Charlottetown Hotel (75 Kent St. Charlottetown)

Conference Highlights:

Theme: Focus on the impact of technology on children’s development and education.

- **Keynote Speaker:** Carl H. Burke, R.N., will share his personal story about the loss of his son to online sextortion and advocate for stronger online protections through the Online Harms Act.
- **Workshops:**
 - Artificial Intelligence in Education
 - Gaming Addictions
 - Positive Behavior Intervention Supports
 - Communications & Volunteers
 - Home & School Finances
 - School Food Programs

Participation:

- Open to parents, teachers, principals, school staff, and students.
- While each member school is limited to five (5) voting delegates, there is *no limit* to the number of attendees otherwise from @ school: the greater the attendance, the richer the discussions.

Registration:

- Register by April 4th Click here [2025 AGM Registration Link](https://peihsf.ca/agm/) or go to <https://peihsf.ca/agm/>

Contact Information:

For inquiries, call 902-620-3186 or email peihsf@gov.pe.ca

Meet our 2025 Easter Seal Ambassador!

Remi Dean

Remi is eight years old and in third grade at Ellerslie Elementary and lives in Freeland. Joining her on her ambassador journey are her parents Danielle and Norman and her little brother Sully and her little sister Lottie.

Outside of school, Remi enjoys ballet, going to Whispering Hope Farm, doing art, and hanging out with her friends.

She was diagnosed with Cerebral Palsy as she was born a ‘preemie’ baby, weighing only three pounds, which caused her brain to have some problems. Her condition makes her muscles not work properly and Remi hopes by sharing she can help more people become aware of cerebral palsy and know the impact.



Remi’s motto:

“And always remember that you can do hard things.”