



February 2023

Spring Park School Newsletter

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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.

Dismissal Changes

Please contact the main office by 2 pm with any dismissal changes. This will give office staff sufficient time to confirm and plan the arrangements with your child's home room teacher before their allotted dismissal time.

Dates to Remember:

Feb	2 nd	Hot Lunches OPEN for the period (Feb 6th -17 th , 2023)
	6 th	Hot Lunches CLOSE @ 9:00 am.
13th – 17 th		Teacher Appreciation Week
	15 th	Grade 2 Winter Concert
	16 th	Storm Date for Gr. 2 Winter Concert
	17 th	Winter Wellness Day & Pink Shirt Day
	20 th	Statutory Holiday – <u>NO CLASSES</u>
	21-24	Canada Games – <u>NO CLASSES</u>
	27-28 th	Mid-Term Break – <u>NO CLASSES</u>
Mar	1 st -3 rd	Mid-Term Break – <u>NO CLASSES</u>
	6 th	First day of Classes
	16 th	UPEI Hockey Game
20 th – 24 th		Scholastic Book Fair
	24 th	Parent/Teacher Interviews – <u>NO CLASSES</u>

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.

Scent Free, Nut Free & Shell Fish Free School:

Due to allergies and product sensitivities, the school is **scent-free**, **nut-free** and **shellfish-free**, so students/parents, and visitors are reminded not to use scented products or send peanut or shellfish products in snacks and lunches.

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

Thank You!!

We would like to send out a special thanks to all students and their parents who sent along goodies and gifts to our staff during the month of January. Your kindness does not go unnoticed.

SPS Hot Lunch Program:

Hot Lunches for dates Feb 6th – Feb 17th, 2023.
Ordering will open Feb 2nd and will close Feb 6th
@ 9:00 AM

**ALL ORDERS MUST BE PAID IN FULL
BEFORE THE CLOSING DATE OR THEY
WILL GO INACTIVE**

You can pay on-line by BAMBORA or bring the money into the school and we will post it to your account. No CHEQUES please. PAYMENT must be made when ordering. You will **not** be able to place a second order if the previous order is not paid.

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

Bon Appétit! – The provincial food program has changed its name to Bon Appétit. It's a new school year and everyone is invited to sign up your child for healthy school food meals that will be served daily in schools.

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

Lunch Utensils

A friendly reminder to please send along utensils as well as a reusable water bottle with your student on a daily basis. The office does not provide these to students. As well, our lunch programs have no longer been providing utensils either.



Music News

Grade 2 Concert

Our Grade 2 students have been working hard to prepare for their February Winter Concert! Parents and family of these students are invited to attend on **Wednesday, February 15th at 1pm** (storm date: February 16th at 1pm). Donations will be gratefully accepted at the door in support of our music program.

Extracurriculars

We have a very full and exciting lunchtime schedule here in the music room, featuring our choirs, rock band, and beginner drum club. Students who join our choirs or rock bands are reminded that they are committing to attending all lunchtime rehearsals, to prepare for our festival, showcase, and in-school performances. More information about our spring performance opportunities will be shared in the March and April newsletters!

Day 1 - Grade 6 Choir

Day 2 - Grade 2-3 English Choir; Honour Choir

Day 3 - Beginner Drum Club

Day 4 - Grade 4-5 Choir; Honour Choir

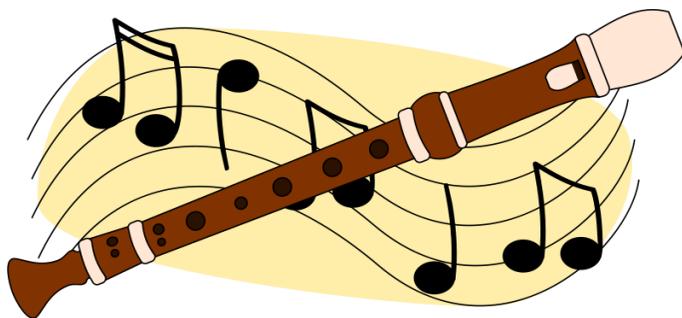
Day 5 - Rock Band

Day 6 - Grade 2-3 French Choir

Recorder – Grades 4-6

Our recorder unit will conclude in February with the Canada Games break. Students who have borrowed school recorders are welcome to keep them over the break or return them at that time. Congratulations to all of our students for your hard work in earning your recorder belts!

Thank you, as always, for your support of our music-making!



COACHS' CORNER

The **Gymnastics Zone Meet** will take place this Wednesday, Feb 1st at West Royalty School (Storm Date: Feb 2nd). Students who have qualified would have received info forms. We are busing to and from the meet. Spectators are permitted and are asked to use the side gym doors and NOT the main entrance.

Schedule: (Times are approximate)

Pre-Novice (Gr. 3 and 4) : 9:20-11:00

Novice (Gr. 5 and 6): 11:30-1:00

Gymnastics Provincial Meet

The Provincials will take place on Saturday, Feb 11th at Kensington Senior Intermediate High School. Students who qualify will be notified and be given additional information. Parents and/or guardians are responsible to transport their son/daughter to and from the Provincials.

Schedule:

Pre-Novice (Grade 3 and 4)- Competition starts at 9:00 am

Novice (Grade 5 and 6) Competition starts at 1:00 pm

If you have any questions email Mr. Maddix (kjmaddix@edu.pe.ca) or Ms. Canning (kgcanning@edu.pe.ca)

Phys-Ed Blog :

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



Kindergarten Registration 2023-2024

We are still taking kindergarten registration:

- Children must be 5 years old by December 31st, 2023.
- Register at child's local elementary school during school hours.
- Registration form will be completed at time of registration.
- Reminder to bring a piece of Government issued I.D. verifying proof of child's age.
 - Birth Certificate
 - PEI Health Card
 - Passport
- Verification of home address, i.e. utility bill, lease agreement.

Please see the Public-School Boards website for more details for zoning question:

<https://psb.edu.pe.ca/schools/registering-your-child-for-school>



Community News

Home & School News

1. President's Annual Reports

President's Annual Reports are due **February 28**. All reports **will be included in the 70th Annual Book of Reports**. Write about local Home and School activities that have occurred during this school year and to the end of June 2023. For tips, view the [2022 Book of Reports](#)

(<https://peihsf.ca/agm/>)

[Click here to use the NEW President's Google 2023 Report Form](#)

2. Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week

Celebrate Teachers/Staff Appreciation Week, February 13-17, 2023. Home and School Associations plan ways to thank school staff during Teacher/Staff Appreciation week. Start now. Brainstorm ideas to thank school staff.

3. Volunteer of the Year & Life Member Awards

Home and School's Volunteer of the Year Award recognizes one volunteer's significant contributions to helping people in their school communities. The Life Member acknowledges service to the provincial Federation. Associations may nominate individuals from your school community for these awards. Submit by the deadline: **March 3**. Criteria and Form are online at: <https://peihsf.ca/awards/>

4. 70th Annual Meeting

The P.E.I. Home and School Federation's **Annual General Meeting** will be on **April 15, 2023**, at the Rodd Charlottetown Hotel. The Federation office will mail the AGM package to presidents and information will be posted at: <https://peihsf.ca/agm/>

5. 2023 Canada Winter Games/Mid-term Break

PEI is host to the 2023 Canada Winter Games. Our mid-term school break is combined with the games, February 21-28. The PEI Home and School Federation sends best wishes to the Canada Games team of dedicated volunteers and staff, who will welcome Canada's best athletes and the nation to PEI in 2023. Together, we will celebrate our athletes and share PEI's welcoming community spirit with the rest of Canada.

Other Community News

~ KidproofPEI currently offers courses: "At Home Alone+First Aid" (ages 10 yrs+) and Babysitting Training (ages 11 yrs+) with plans to add Bullyproofing and Stranger Smarts courses. Sessions are offered in Summerside and Charlottetown. KidproofPEI is available to do presentations to Local Home and School meetings. Contact: www.kidproofpei.com | kidproofpei@gmail.com | 902-724-2702