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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:

- June 2nd - Kindergarten Concert
9th - New Kindergarten Students Orientation (*No Classes for Kindergarten Students*)
12th - Super Hero Day (13th Rain date)
22nd - Retirement Tea – 3:00 – 5:00 PM
27th - Grade 6 Closing
28th - Last day of school for K-6 students (Report cards go home)
- Last day for breakfast program.
- Sep 7th - First day back for students.

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

Breakfast Program

The Spring Park Breakfast program is continuing to be very successful. **The last day for the Breakfast Program will be June 28th.** Organizers are always looking for volunteers!

If you would like to help out next year, please email spsbreakfastprogram@gmail.com



Coach's Corner

Track & Field

Congratulations to all the Track and Field students who participated at the zone meet on May 24th. The Track and Field Provincials will take place on Saturday, June 3rd at UPEI. Students who have qualified will receive info forms with a schedule of their events. Our Phys-Ed blog will also share this info!



Tennis

On Friday, June 9th the Grade 4, 5 and 6 classes will be going to play tennis at Victoria Park. Classroom teachers will walk their classes down for the morning and walk back to the school for the afternoon.



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Superhero Fun Day

Our annual **Superhero Fun Day** for the entire school will take place on **Monday, June 12th** (Rain Date: Tuesday, June 13th). We will have many fun stations set up for the entire school (K-3-am and 4-6 - pm) which will be led by our grade 6 leadership students. A reminder, that students and staff are encouraged to dress like their favorite Superhero!



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

Music Notes - June

Choir and Rock Band

Congratulations to all of our choir and rock band students for their amazing work this year! You did a wonderful job representing Spring Park School at the Queens County Music Festival and PEI Schools of Rock Showcase, and we were happy to celebrate all of our extracurricular music programs with our SPS Music Showcase and ice cream party earlier in May!

Concerts

Congratulations to the Grade 5 classes for bringing the house down in May with their performance of **Kidflix: A Musical Revue!** Next up are the Kindergarten classes for our final concert of the year, performing **Pajama Party!** on Friday, June 2nd at 1pm, for families to attend! Donations will be gratefully accepted at the door in support of our music program.

June Music Clubs

For the month of June, we'll be offering three just-for-fun, drop-in music clubs at lunchtime recess in the music room:

- **Grade 3-6 Beginner Guitar Club** with Mr. O
- **Grade 3-6 Beginner Piano Club** with Ms. Shea
- **Grade 3-4 Junior Musical Theatre Club + Grade 3-4 Junior Dance Club** (led by our wonderful Grade 6 leadership students!)

We are still looking to add to our very small collection of school guitars: if you have one (acoustic or electric!) that's been collecting dust and could use a new home, we'd be very happy to put it to use! Donations of guitars or other musical instruments can be brought to the main office. Students who have their own guitars are also welcome to bring them for their own use during Beginner Guitar Club on Day 2 and 6.

Thanks, as always, for supporting our music-making and we hope you have a wonderful summer!



SPS Hot Lunch Program:

Hot Lunches for dates (Jun 12th – Jun 28th, 2023.)
Ordering will open Jun 8th and will close Jun 12th
@ 9 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/>

Student Bus Information

Please see below an attachment that shows how to locate your child's bussing information. The Transportation department at the Public Schools Branch works through the summer and does not close. You can click on the information below that will show you how to use the bus planner for correct information about your child.



How to find Bus
Information.docx



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.

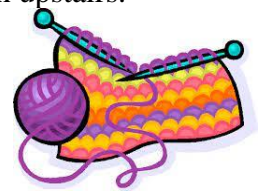
Please see the Public-School Boards website for more details for zoning question:

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



Knitting Club

There is a knitting club that will take place on every Day 2 during lunch upstairs. Students are invited to attend during lunch upstairs.



Soccer Camp

Just for Fun Soccer Camp

Oh, this is going to be so much fun! Games, games and more games. Fun! A camp t-shirt. More fun! Campers help design the daily schedule. Even more fun! Prizes and give-aways. Did we mention this is going to be fun?

Born: 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013 or 2012
(co-ed)

Dates: July 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14

Time: 12:30 to 4:30 pm

Location: APM Centre Gymnasium, Cornwall

Cost: \$100/player

Register: <https://www.deltasoccer.ca/home>



New Kindergarten Students

The orientation for the new Kindergarten students that will be starting in Sep 2023, will take place on June 9th, 2023 in the morning. Parents are asked to drop their child off at 9:00 am and pick up will be at 11:00 am sharp. Students will be made familiar with the lockers, classroom and kindergarten wing. Please be aware that the teacher your child has that day may not be the same teacher they have in September.



Guest Dancer

We have a very fun opportunity to be welcoming a dancer from France into our school. Gwladys Bolemaa, will be coming into the school to offer cultural opportunities for the students, teaching a Jamaican style of dance for two days on June 5th and 6th in both French and English. Teachers will accompany their class in the multi-purpose room for their session.

Gwladys will be teaching an all-levels, by donation community class on June 5th at the school where staff and students may welcome their families or our extended community to come try out some new moves (it is incredibly fun).



Community News

Home and School News - June 2023

1. Hold Elections in June

June is an excellent time to hold Home and School Association election of officers to allow your new Home and School Association's executive time to prepare for the new school year in September. Those who have completed their terms, should ask another parent or teacher rep to fill in their place. Invite parents having children in K-3 to volunteer. If you need guidance, contact the Federation office at 902-620-3186 / ssmedleyjay@gov.pe.ca

2. Congratulations Provincial Heritage and Science Fair students!

In recognition of students' excellent work, the PEI Home and School Federation awards specialty prizes in the PEI's Heritage and Science Fairs. Congratulations to:

Science Fair winners:

- Will Pop really rot my teeth? Isaac Ramsay, Bloomfield Elementary
- Should you trust the 5-second rule? Amelia Hayward, Cardigan Consolidated

Heritage Fair winners:

- Haven McCormack, The McCormack Roots Gr. 9, Belfast Consolidated
- Henry Etchell, Doucet House Descendant Gr. 6, L.M. Montgomery Elementary

3. Parent Engagement Project Reports

Reports for completed Home and School Parent Engagement Projects are due in the Federation office on May 31. Contact the office, if you require more information at ssmedleyjay@gov.pe.ca

4. School Calendar 2023-2024

The 2023-2024 school calendar is posted online at:

<https://www.princeedwardisland.ca/en/information/education-and-early-years/2023-2024-school-calendar>

5. Public Schools Branch Board of Trustees

The Public Schools Branch Board of Trustees will hold a public meeting on Monday, June 5, at 7:30 p.m. at Queen Charlotte Intermediate School. Find the agenda and minutes on the PSB website at: <https://psb.edu.pe.ca/board-meetings-and-minutes>.

6. Guardian Home and School news column

PEI Home and School Federation president, Dionne Tuplin, writes a monthly column for The Guardian newspaper, published on the first Friday of the month during the school year. The June article will be posted on June 2 at [News - PEI Home and School Federation \(peihsf.ca\)](https://www.guardian.ca/news/story/2023-06-02/pei-home-and-school-federation)

7. Learning continues over the summer months

Encouraging summer reading is a way to keep your child's mind active over the summer. Your library card provides you and your child with a plethora of resources.

[eBooks, Audiobooks & Online Resources | Government of Prince Edward Island](#)

<https://thereadingschool.ca/summer-2022-reading-list-for-kids-with-canadian-links/>

<https://www.readingrockets.org/article/10-weeks-summer-reading-adventures-you-and-your-kids>

<https://www.readingrockets.org/blogs/shanahan-literacy/how-encourage-summer-reading-parents-guide>

8. 2020-21 Canadian Student Tobacco, Alcohol, and Drugs Survey

New data released about student substance abuse. Follow this link:

<https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/canadian-student-tobacco-alcohol-drugs-survey/2021-2022-summary.html>