



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:

December	3 rd	Picture Retakes
	7 th	Lunch Order Opens for Dec. 7-18th
	9 th	Grade 2 Virtual Concert <i>Storm date: December 10th</i>
	11 th	4C Draw for Planet Lunchbox
	13-17 th	Christmas Dress Up Days <i>(information below)</i>
	14 th	Grade 6 Virtual Concert <i>Storm Date: December 15th</i>
	16 th	Lunch Order Opens for Jan.4 th -15 th
	17 th	LAST DAY OF CLASSES for BREAK!
January	4 th	First day of classes for 2021

Arrival:

If your child is dropped off or walks to school, they should arrive between 8:15 - 8:30am. This adheres to the school's operating procedure that was approved by the Public Health Office. All parents and visitors **must wear a mask, sanitize, sign in and report to the office.** Thank you for your cooperation with this.



Hot Lunch Program:



Dec.3rd Order opens for Dec. 7th – Dec. 18th

ALL ORDERS MUST BE PLACED ONLINE (before Monday at 9AM)

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. ****

Music Notes:

Again this year our Christmas Concerts will look a little different. They will be performed and recorded without an audience. We will be sending out a link for parents / guardians of all students who perform from Grades 1, 2 and 6 to watch. Hopefully the links will be available by the last week of school before the Christmas break.

All Grade 4, 5, and 6 students will begin a recorder unit in January that runs from Jan-March break. The school can provide a used recorder for your child or you may wish to purchase your own. If you decide to do this please make sure that you buy a BAROQUE (not German) SOPRANO recorder. Yamaha is a good brand and can be purchased at Long and McQuade for around \$10. Please don't buy one from the Dollar Store as they are of poor quality and difficult to play in tune.



Bus Notes:

Due to Covid-19 we are not accepting bus notes at this time, except for primary child care. If you need to make a change to after school plans, please call the school **NO LATER** than 2:00PM



4C Ballot Draw & Prize:

4C SAVES THE PLANET and FEEDS A FAMILY

Due to the popularity of the Rover Planetbox lunch box draw last year, we are bringing it back once again. We are also increasing the number of Rover Planetboxes to be won to a total of three. One for K-2, one for 3-4 and one for 5-6.

Ballots will be available on **Tuesday December 1st. Ballots are \$1.** All proceeds from the draw go to the CBC Feed a Family Campaign. Yes, Students may purchase more than one ballot! The Planetbox is a great way to save the environment by packing a waste free lunch for your child. It is also dishwasher safe. **The draw will take place on Friday December 11th.**

Students may purchase ballots from their homeroom teacher.



Extra Clothing:

We are into the **COLD** winter weather. Please dress your child appropriately so they are warm and comfortable with **mitts, hats, snow pants and winter boots**. Please label all clothing and footwear. It would be appreciated if you would please send in a complete set of clothes with your child along. If there is a spill or a fall then your child will be prepared. Thank you for your attention to this matter.



Christmas Dress Up Days:

- December 13th – Festive Sweater Day
- December 14th – Present Day – Dress like a festive Gift
- December 15th – Dress in your holiday best Day
- December 16th – Dress as your favorite holiday character Day
- December 17th – PJ Day



Visitors:

With our ongoing focus on student and staff safety, visitors in schools will be reduced and will be encouraged to wait outside the school. We encourage parents and other visitors to limit the number of visits to schools. If you have to come into the school you **MUST** wear a mask, sanitize after entering the school and sign-in. Thank you for your co-operation with this.



Co-Vid 19 Vaccinations Ages 5-11:

Appointments can now be made for children aged 5-11 to receive their Co-Vid vaccinations. Appointments can be booked through the Public Health Clinic on the PEI Government website, the Waiting Room App, or by calling 1-844-975-3303.



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.



Notes from Our Counselor:

As the Holiday Season approaches it is important to remember that children need your presence more than actual presents. If you are feeling in the holiday spirit and would like to send some holiday cheer (food, gifts, gift cards etc.) to a family in our community, feel free to contact Marti Pendleton, School Counsellor at m Pendleton@edu.pe.ca or call the school (902) 368 6400 to connect with her.

If you are a family that would like support over the holidays feel free to reach out to <https://santasangels.ca> as they are currently accepting referrals for home visits on Christmas day. May your holidays sparkle with moments of love and laughter and may the year ahead be full of happiness and health. Happy Holidays Everyone!

Kindergarten Registration 2021-2022

We are still taking kindergarten registration:

- Children must be 5 years old by Dec.31st, 2021, in order to be eligible for kindergarten.
- Register at child's local elementary school during school hours (**MUST WEAR MASK**).
- Registration form will be completed at time of registration.
- Reminder to bring a piece of Government issued ID verifying proof of child's age.
 - Birth Certificate
 - PEI Health Card
 - Passport
- Verification of home address, i.e: utility bill

Please see Public School Board website for more details and for zoning questions:

<https://edu.princeedwardisland.ca/psb/2020/10/29/psb-kindergarten-registration-for-2021-2022/>



Community News:



MEET SANTA + GIVE BACK!
SANTA'S ANGELS TOY DRIVE + SANTA MEET

Bring a new, unwrapped toy for Santa's Angels to donate to a child in need, and meet Santa!

EVERY **SATURDAY** BEFORE CHRISTMAS
DECEMBER 4, 11, 18
10 AM-2 PM

LOCATION:
QUEENS ARMS CORNER
MALPEQUE & CAPITAL DRIVE

QUESTIONS?
HELLO@SANTASANGELS.CA

Eye See, I Learn!

Good Eyesight is Critical to Learning

To ensure children get the best start in their education, the **Eye See...Eye Learn** program provides a free eye exam and a free pair of glasses, if needed, to Island kindergarten students.

- Children entering or currently enrolled in kindergarten are eligible.
- Call your Doctor of Optometry to book your child's appointment for an eye exam. If you don't have one, visit www.peioptometrists.ca to find one.
- Bring your child's health card to the appointment.
- Those with private health insurance may have to pay up-front and be reimbursed based on the individual's policy coverage.

For more information visit: www.peioptometrists.ca



Home & School:

The Spring Park Home and School is looking to fill the following roles on the Executive: President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Secretary. For more information or to express your interest, please contact springparkhomeandschool@gmail.com. The outgoing executive is willing to provide guidance to the new executive members to help support the transition.

Join our Facebook page! Search for the 'Spring Park Home and School' group.

Extra Mile Award

Nominate a deserving school staff individual for recognition by the PEI Home and School Federation. Submissions deadline: **Jan. 22, 2022**. Find more on our website peihsf.ca / [Extra Mile Award of the Year](#)

Resolutions

You can effect positive change in PEI's school system through Home and School's resolution writing process. Home and Schools are asked to consider presenting an issue in education that affects the learning success of students to influence change at the provincial level. Federation advocacy policies focus on wellness, curriculum needs, health, school bus safety and more. Need help? Contact us: peihsf@edu.pe.ca / 620-3186 / 1-800-916-0664 / peihsf@edu.pe.ca
Submit resolutions by **Jan. 31, 2022**

Membership Fees/Contact Info

Check with your Home and School treasurer to see if Membership Fees have been submitted to the Federation office for this school year. Don't miss out on current PEIHSF News! Call the PEIHSF office and update your Association's directory with current executive contact details. Check online at: https://peihsf.ca/become_a_member/ [Membership Fee Form](#) / [Local Home and School Contact Information Form](#)

Home & School cont'd:

School Staff Appreciation Week 2022

School staff will be celebrated across Canada **February 14-20**. Your Home and School Staff Appreciation committee can begin now to make safe plans for showing appreciation to school staff for the contributions they make to our children and their education. Keep plans simple! A little appreciation goes a long way!

Gift a Meal. Help a Student. Pass the plate!

Wondering how you can celebrate gift-giving celebrations? By paying more than your own total meal value when you order from Bon Appétit, PEI's School Food Program, you can help pay for another student's lunch! All you have to do is order your lunches at and add a donation to the total cost of your child's lunches. Sign up here: <https://www.peischoolfood.org/>

2021 International Volunteer Day December 5th is a global celebration of volunteers. Look for ideas on how you can thank your school community volunteers. <https://www.un.org/en/observances/volunteer-day>