



# November 2021 NEWSLETTER



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## WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Oct	29	Crazy Hair Day <i>(no masks, costumes, makeup or treats to share)</i>
Nov	7	<b>Daylight Saving Time ends—time goes back 1 hour</b> 
Nov	11	Remembrance Day (no school)
Nov	12	Assessment & Evaluation Day (NO SCHOOL for students)
Nov	25	Virtual Parent teacher meetings
Nov	26	AM—Virtual Parent/Teacher meetings PM—Staff PD (NO SCHOOL for students)
Dec.	22	First Day of Holiday Break
January 5, 2022		Students return to school
Feb.	21	Heritage Day (NO SCHOOL)
March 14-18		Spring Break
April	8	AM—Parent/Teacher meetings PM—PD for staff (NO SCHOOL for students)
April	15	Good Friday (no school)
April	18	Easter Monday (no school)
May	23	Victoria Day (no school)
June	29	Marking Day (NO SCHOOL for students)
June	30	Final day of school 9:30-10:30

### REMEMBRANCE DAY 2021

Please take a moment on November 11th to pay your respects and to speak with your child/ren about why it is important to continue to do so.



**Please note that due to Covid restrictions, families should not send any Halloween treats in to share with classmates. Thank you for your understanding.**



When a storm is forecasted for later in the day, we announce an early dismissal through local media outlets first thing in the morning. Also watch our @NorthRiverElem Twitter for information.

### STUDENTS ARRIVING AT BUS STOPS DURING EARLY DISMISSAL

Please note, on days an early dismissal is scheduled, buses may arrive at their after school bus stops earlier than anticipated. Often there will be fewer children attending school on those days and, therefore, smaller numbers of children traveling home on the bus. Drivers of elementary age children must be able to see someone visibly waiting for and expecting that early arrival of children.



**Just a timely reminder that cooler temperatures are beginning and appropriately warm clothing like hats & mittens will be necessary to keep students warm and dry for their outdoor activities. Please remember to send along extra, dry items each day too in case clothing gets wet during play or outdoor learning time.**

**Thanks to all who donated food for our We Scare Away Hunger drive. Watch our Twitter space to see how much was donated!**



### NORTH RIVER PARENT TEACHER GROUP (PTG)

Hello everyone—we are still looking for some new faces to join the PTG group. We usually meet once a month. If you think that this is something you would like to do, please email Kellycaddell711@gmail.com. We are looking forward to fundraiser coming up. We will be fundraising for the Book Fair, we want every child to go home with a book! Stay tuned.

As we start up for the school year, the Parent Teacher Group has had their first meeting on September 28<sup>th</sup> and after that meeting there is going to be some changes to the Parent Teacher Group. The Co-chairs, Melissa McLane and Becky MacNutt are stepping down and Kelly Caddell is graciously stepping up to take on this role.

Big thanks to Melissa and Becky for all their hard work! Welcome to Kelly as she takes over this important role in our school community.

**Upcoming days with no school for students:** Nov. 12th - teacher assessment & evaluation day,  
 Nov. 26th - 9:30-11:30 Parent-teacher by Zoom or phone call appointment, 12:30-3:00 Staff Professional Development

**SCHOOL SPIRIT WEDNESDAYS**

School Spirit Days continue each Wednesday. Students can participate by showing their school spirit and wearing something red or blue. Participating students receive a star card to enter in the weekly draws here at school.



**Water Bottles -**  
 Students are asked to bring a filled water bottle with them each day. We do not have "Drinking fountains", only water-bottle fillers, so it's important to have a bottle each day with their name on it.



**SEPTEMBER SHINING STARS**

Primary Dale	Melia Gero Josh Pratt	Grade 3 / 4	Kaitlyn Pratt Wyatt MacKinnon
Primary / 1	Hayden Brautigam Aubree Crowe	Grade 4 / 5	Charlee-Rae Bernard Bryson MacDonald-Stewart
Grade 1	Adley Shearer	Grade 5 / 6	Lily Kennedy Wilson Zachary Pearce
Grade 2 Kennedy	William Oderkirk Jase Cail	Grade 5 / 6	Scott Jeffery Dalrymple Gevaiya Marshall
Grade 2 Mills	Casey Pratt Levi Stewart		



NRES sends a big Thank You to North River Fire Brigade for teaching us how to be fire safe in our school and in our homes.

Miss Mills Grade 2 class

**AFTER SCHOOL DISMISSAL ARRANGEMENTS**

Teachers may not see e-mail communications during instructional teaching time through the day, so if there is to be a change to a student's regular dismissal routine that wasn't written in their homework agenda that morning, please contact the school admin office 902-896-5530 prior to 2:30 PM so we can notify the child and their teacher.





Parent-Teacher meetings to discuss your child's progress this term will be held virtually on the evening of Nov. 25 (between 5 & 7 pm) & the morning of Nov. 26 (between 9:30 & 11:30). We will send home a form in mid-November to see if you prefer an online or a phone appointment. As always, please reach out to your child's teacher by calling the school or via email if you have questions or concerns you wish to discuss prior to this time. Parent-interview times remain 10 minute time slots

to accommodate all families and there is **one appointment per child**. If you require additional time, please make alternate arrangements by speaking directly to your child's teacher.

### **NRES LOST & FOUND CLOTHING**

**ITEMS** - If you recognize the items in the lost & found, please call the school & let us know to send items home with your child. We show them to students a few times each week & most remain "unclaimed"



Due to a CCRCE review of Food & Nutrition policy, you and your child will notice a phasing out and elimination of some products from our cafeteria service and recess canteen offerings. The intention is to maximize nutritional options for children while at school. Some of these changes will have an immediate impact including the removal of all 100% fruit juices, yogurt tubes, any "sweets" and all items containing chocolate or chocolate chips. There will be no more "desserts". Some changes will be less restrictive in that we will be permitted to have them on the menu some of the time such as baked chips at recess two days a week and fruit will be a more frequent part of daily meal choices.

Through our breakfast program, we have found many foods that our students like to try or to snack on when they arrive at school each day. Mini-cucumbers are very popular as are Whole grain crackers and Goldfish, raisins, as well as a variety of unsweetened applesauce & applesauce/other fruit combinations. These items may become offerings at the cafeteria as well.

We appreciate your patience and your feedback as we work to nourish our students with only the most healthy choices while they are at school

We're all learning to live with COVID & adapting to change. Plans are currently in the works for a virtual holiday concert that families can view together at home. **More info will follow** as plans get solidified. We offer huge thanks to our SAC & PTG who gave input & suggestions we really value at their most recent meetings to help us make this an event to look forward to.



### **Do you follow our SCHOOL CALENDAR for the most up to date information?**



Click this link to see what's happening at our school:

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