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# LM MONTGOMERY ELEMENTARY NEWSLETTER



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#### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

Nov 8<sup>th</sup> – National Jersey Day

Nov 9<sup>th</sup> – Picture Retakes

Nov 10th- LM Remembrance Day Assembly

Nov 13<sup>th</sup> – Remembrance Day Statuary Holiday (**NO SCHOOL**)

Nov 13th - First day to sign up for Parent Teacher Conferences

Nov 16<sup>th</sup> – Annual Convention's (**NO CLASSES**)

Nov 17<sup>th</sup> – Annual Convention's (**NO CLASSES**)

Nov 19<sup>th</sup> – Last day to sign up for Parent Teacher Conferences

 $Nov\ 22^{nd}-Report\ Cards\ go\ home$ 

Nov 23<sup>rd</sup> – Parent Teacher Conferences (6:00pm-9:00pm) & Scholastic Book Fair

Nov 24th – Parent Teacher Conferences (9:00am-12:00pm) & Scholastic Book Fair (NO CLASSES)



On Wednesday, November 8th, School Sport Canada is supporting a national day to show your love and support for sport by wearing a sport jersey to school, work or play. Feel free to wear a jersey supporting your team, a local team or a professional sport team!

## PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES



Parent Teacher Conferences are **November 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>**, appointments can be booked starting on <u>Monday</u>, <u>November 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am until Sunday</u>, <u>November 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:00pm</u>. Appointments can be booked online at

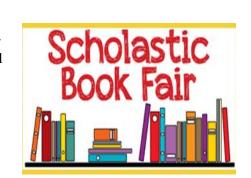
https://lmm.schoolappointments.com/ information on how to register for your appointment can be found here

https://edu.princeedwardisland.ca/lmmontgomery/booking-your-parent-teacher-conference/. A hard copy of the instructions will be sent home on **Monday, Nov 6**<sup>th</sup> with the youngest or only. Please look in your child's kitbag for this.

Please make every effort to make the conference times available work as teachers are trying to schedule around several variables including parent work schedules, siblings, and being able to make it to their own child(ren)'s interview. We encourage <u>all</u> parents and guardians to meet with their child's teacher as we work together to support student academic and social success!

# SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

The Scholastic Book Fair will be taking place in the LM Montgomery Elementary School library from November 20, 2023 thru to November 24, 2023. Students will be visiting with their classes during school hours Monday to Thursday. This year, the fair will also be open to parents and caregivers during Parent/Teacher conferences on Thursday evening (November 23rd) until 8:00 pm and on Friday (November 24th) until 12:00 noon. Please note, there will no longer be an online option to purchase books from the book fair. Mrs. Newson is also looking for parent volunteers to help with the fair on Thursday and Friday (November 23rd and 24th). If you are able to help, please contact Mrs. Newson at tinewson@edu.pe.ca.



## **SCENT-FREE SCHOOL**

Please remember that LM Montgomery is scent-free as per the Public Schools Branch's scent-free policy. All laundry detergents, fabric softeners, perfumes, colognes and other artificially or chemically scented products can cause a significant reaction to those affected and are prohibited in our building.





# PHYS.ED

**Zone Cross Country Meet** - Congratulations to everyone who took part in the Zone cross country meet yesterday. LM did very well. Our novice boys team finished 4th overall and the following runners qualified for provincials: Cooper Jones, Dylan Squires, Henry Gill, Bennett Mader, Carter MacInnis, Colten McCaughey and James Walsh. Our pre-novice girls finished 5th overall and the following runners qualified for provincials: Nora Policelli, Rhetta Baglole, Ashlynn Geldert, Raya Buchanan,



Breann Geldert, Anna MacBeath and Jocelyn Nijhof. A special congratulations to Nora who finished 2nd overall and Cooper who finished 6th overall.

## **Provincial Cross-Country Meet**

Congratulations to all of our LM runners who did awesome at the Provincial Cross-Country Meet. Our pre-novice girls' team and our novice boys teams both finished 3rd overall out of 20 teams. Nora Policelli finished 3rd overall and Cooper Jones, 5th overall. Amazing job everyone! Cross country is now over for the year. Please return your green T-shirt to Mrs. Nogler if you still have one.



#### Volleyball

Intramural volleyball is now going on in the gym at second recess time. There is an after-school volleyball club for interested grade 5 and 6 students. A permission slip will be sent home to be signed and returned. The dates of the volleyball club are: November 8, 15 and 20th.

#### **BREAKFAST PROGRAM**



The breakfast program is for students who are hungry and require some nutrition to start off their day. We have many students taking part in this, and we are glad to provide this opportunity for students. Please take a few minutes to ask your child if they are accessing this program. It is important that those who need it come.

As with any program, we are conscientious of the demand, funding and time spent out of class. This program is primarily funded through donation, and if you are able to help, please feel to do so. You are more than welcome to send in peanut free

snacks, a bag of apples, bananas, a block of cheese, sugar free/low sugar cereal, or send in a monetary donation either with your child or via e-transfer to <a href="mailto:lmmontgomeryschool2020@gmail.com">lmmontgomeryschool2020@gmail.com</a>. Please make sure you put in the message "Breakfast Program Donation". Thank you for your support.

## **COLD WEATHER**

Winter is fast approaching, and temperatures can be quite crisp. Students who dress properly for the weather with coats, hats, and gloves enjoy being outside more. Please encourage your child(ren) to dress appropriately for the weather conditions during this time of year. It would also be beneficial to send in an extra pair of mitts and socks to keep in your child's backpack as some get quite wet during the first recess





#### HOLIDAY SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES

We are thinking about the holidays and supporting our LM families who need a little extra support this year. In the coming days, an envelope will be sent home with the youngest or only and if you are in a position to help out, please consider putting in a gift card (Walmart, Giant Tiger, gas or grocery store) or a monetary donation and send it back to your child's homeroom teacher. We are also able to receive e-transfers to <a href="mailto:lmmontgomeryschool2020@gmail.com">lmmontgomeryschool2020@gmail.com</a>. Please indicate that this is a donation for Christmas Families in the message. Envelops and donations are kindly asked to be in by December 1st. Many thanks in advance as we've been so

lucky with the generous donations of our L.M. families to help support one another! If you have questions or if your family is in need this year, please do not hesitate to contact our school counsellor Alison Kelly at 902-368-4150 ext. 205.

## PUBLIC SCHOOLS BRANCH PEANUT/NUT ALERT



LM Montgomery Elementary needs to be as safe an environment as possible for several students who attend school with severe allergies to peanuts, peanut products and other forms of nuts. Due to several students with severe allergies to peanuts, peanut products and other forms of nuts, LM Montgomery will continue to be peanut & nut-free. We do this because all students travel throughout the building to

specialist classes, assemblies, water filling stations, playground, etc., and the only way to provide the safest environment is to exclude all peanut and other nut products from lunches and snacks. This means that imitation peanut butter products such as WOW Butter are prohibited as well.

# LM'S LITERACY LOWDOWN

The Tumble Book Library is a collection of online, animated, talking picture books children are sure to love. You're only a click away from an eBook adventure! Please note: In order to enjoy these books, you will need to have internet access. A direct link to Tumble Books can be found below (may need to copy and paste into your browser) <a href="https://www.tumblebooklibrary.com/Default.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2fon">https://www.tumblebooklibrary.com/Default.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2fon</a>



# **COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS**

The information provided is for information purposes and is not necessarily sanctioned by the PSB or LMMS.

## Home and School News, November 2023

SIGN UP for FREE Volunteer Training - The Federation is hosting two Home & School Training Workshops. Parents, teachers, and students may attend! Workshops are designed to enhance Home & School effectiveness and parent engagement in public education. New volunteer executive members should attend these sessions.

Tuesday, Nov. 7, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m., West Royalty Elementary School\_

**SIGN-UP by Nov. 4 by emailing Shirley at:** <a href="mailto:ssmedleyjay@gov.pe.ca">ssmedleyjay@gov.pe.ca</a> ... Or call 902-620-3186 / 1-800-916-0664. No Cost. Light refreshments provided.

Reminder: 2023-2024 Membership Fees - Home and School Association Treasurers are reminded to submit this school year's membership fees by November 1st. You can now pay by e-transfer to peihsf@gov.pe.ca OR mail cheques to the Federation office. Questions? 902-620-3186 / ssmedleyjay@gov.pe.ca

Parent Leadership Grants - Parent Leadership Project grants for up to \$500 are available to Home and School Associations. Leadership projects are to focus on parent leadership and engagement in your school community. Go to: <a href="https://peihsf.ca/grants">https://peihsf.ca/grants</a>. Submission deadline: <a href="Nov. 30th">Nov. 30th</a>.

Recognition and Awards Programme 2023-2024 - Awards recognize deserving individuals in school communities. The P.E.I. Home and School Federation's 2023-2024 Program begins with the Crossing Guard Award nominations due Nov. 24. Find more details online at PEIHSF Awards

## Happenings in our communities...

Donagh Home & Schools Craft Fair will be held on Sat., Nov. 18, 2023, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at Donagh Regional School (928 Bethel Road, Donagh).

Literacy Champion Award - Call for nominations for our Literacy Champion Award. This award recognizes leadership and commitment in the field of literacy and lifelong learning. For more information, contact Amanda Beazley, PEI Literacy Alliance <a href="https://www.peiliteracy.ca">www.peiliteracy.ca</a>

Dyslexia Canada - Alicia Smith, Executive Director of Dyslexia Canada, to speak about Dyslexia & The Right to Read on Oct. 25, 6-7 p.m. at Three Oaks Senior High School, Summerside.

Live Well PEI accepting applications for Wellness Grant Program

Community organizations may apply for <u>Community Catalyst Grants.</u> Schools may apply for <u>School Health Grants.</u> (\$2,500, \$5,000, and \$7,500). Applications for both grant streams will be accepted online until 9:00 AM on Nov. 6, 2023. More info at: <u>PEI Wellness Grant Program</u>

**Boys & Girls Club Charlottetown -** We are offering two Evening Programs for participants aged 5-12. Evening Programs take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.; participants are served a hot meal during the programming. These programs run until the week of Dec 25th, but participants can sign up after the program begins, as we do charge monthly.

On Tuesday nights, we run Kitchen Quest. Kitchen Quest is a cooking and baking program, designed to build knowledge and confidence in our young chefs! Participants will learn many skills, including how to use kitchen tools, plan, and eat balanced meals!

On Thursday nights, we facilitate Imagination Station. For our curious and creative participants, Imagination Station will explore a variety of arts- painting, sculpting, drama, music, dance, and more!

Registration for Evening Programs is now available on our main website. Ten spots are available for each evening; the program cost is \$10 dollars per evening program and is charged monthly. There are also internal scholarships available if funding is a barrier for your participation in the program. Please contact our Office Administrator, Leon, at <a href="mailto:admin@bgcharlottetown.com">admin@bgcharlottetown.com</a> for more information.

**Army Cadet Program -** The army cadet program is a free program for youth ages 12-18. The program aims to help build leadership skills, build physical fitness, confidence, and aims to educate youth to learn more about the Canadian Armed Forces. 20 Stratford Army Cadets have been in the community since 2014. Some of the things we participate in include:

- Camping/expeditions.
- Sports/activities.
- Remembrance Day parades.
- Volunteer work.

We train every Thursday night from 6:00 to 9:00 at the Stratford town hall. For more information go to cadets.ca.