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LM MONTGOMERY ELEMENTARY NEWSLETTER



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DATES TO REMEMBER

April 8th – Solar Eclipse (Early dismissal at 12:45pm)

April 9th – Provincial Science Fair

April 17th – 2024-25 Incoming Kindergarten Parent Information

Meeting (6:30 in the gym)

April 19th – Professional Learning Day – No classes

April 23rd – Spring Coupon Book order forms due

April 30th – Easter Seals Tour – Ambassador arriving at 12:50

May 2nd – Spring Coupon Books to be sent home

May 3rd – Professional Learning Day – No classes





THANK YOU

A big thank you to all of our parents/guardians for a collaborative week of Parent/Teacher Conferences. We really appreciate you accommodating new times or an alternate format due to the school closure on Thursday.

LM BOX DRAW

Thank you so much for your support with the Box Draw Fundraiser as almost \$9,000 was raised for our outdoor classroom gazebo! Congratulations to the following winners:

Box 1 – Bonnie Hannam

Box 2 – Dawna MacInnis MacDonald

Box 3 – Daniel Watts

Box 4 – Aarvi Shah

Box 5 – Patricia Gormley

Box 6 – Lydia & Colin Jackson

Box 7 – Laura Lee Matthews

 $Box\ 8-Danny\ Burrows$

Box 9 – Althea Power

Box 10 – Murali Nandikonda





LM SCIENCE FAIR – MARCH 19TH

LM Montgomery's Grade 6 classes and a number of grade 5 students took part in an in-house Science Fair a few weeks ago where projects were judged by a panel of esteemed judges! This worthwhile opportunity allowed students to better understand the scientific process, while building both their oral presentation and writing skills. Good luck to our winner who will represent LM at the provincial

fair on Tuesday, April 9th.

Grade 5

1st – Newtons Three Laws – Krishna Patidar

2nd – Fly Faster – JS Tse

3rd – Water Filtration – Zephan Allen

Honorable Mention Does My Mom Really Need Expensive Shampoo? - Jack McLaren

Honorable Mention – Which Gum Lasts the Longest? - Jorja Dempsey

Grade 6

1st – Solar Panel Power – Jackson Eye

2nd - Sleep Paralysis - Ethan Ng

3rd – Unravelling Allergies – Collins Baird

Honorable Mention – Are you in Control of Video Games or are they in Control of You? – Rohen MacDonald Honorable Mention – How Far will a Mouse Trap Car Go? Jack Shaw

SOLAR ECLIPSE

Solar eclipse glasses have been purchased for all students and staff and were sent home with students earlier in the week. PEI will be experiencing a total solar eclipse on April 8th, 2024 and therefore classes will be dismissed at 12:45 on that day. For safe viewing protocol, please view the link provided by CPHO website: https://solareclipse.princeedwardisland.ca/Safely-Watch

LOST & FOUND

We have an ABUNDANCE of items that belong to students which students have not claimed! PLEASE try to come to the school anytime between 7:45am -5:30 pm to claim these items. Items are on tables in the front lobby and will continue to be there until Thursday, April 11th. After that, items will be donated.

EASTER SEALS AMBASSADOR TOUR - TUESDAY, APRIL 30th

The Easter Seals Ambassador, Lucie Gallant will visit our school on Tuesday, April 26 at about 12:50pm.

Classes will be raising funds for this important organization so start saving your extra change! For every \$100 raised, students will receive 5 minutes of additional outdoor time. The outdoor time will be accumulative and will be granted for an afternoon in June.

The Easter Seals Society of PEI Campaign is a franchised project of the Rotary Club of Charlottetown, and supported by the Summerside and Montague Rotary Clubs and many LM students benefit from these funds! Some recipients of Easter Seals funds are Camp Gencheff, Joyriders Therapeutic Riding Association, PEI Cerebral Palsy Association, PEI Council of People with Disabilities, PEI Association for Community Living, Stars for Life Foundation, Autism Society of PEI, PEI Rehabilitation Council as well as many other worthy organizations. Easter Seals Funds can also provide help with sport programs, job training and scholarships.



HEAD CHECKS

Parents are asked to continue to regularly check your child(ren)'s head for lice/nits and to notify the school if you've had to provide treatment. Thank you for your co-operation in this.

LUNCH PROGRAMS

Provincial Lunch Program

The PEI School Food Program provides an opportunity for families to order healthy lunches five days a week. Meals will be prepared and delivered directly to schools at lunch time by local food service providers. Gluten free, dairy free and vegetarian options are available.

To register please go to www.peischoolfood.ca.



Hot Lunches is run by LM Montgomery, milk and juice are offered daily, pizza and garlic fingers are offered every Tuesday and Thursday and ice cream sandwiches every second Friday!

To register please go to https://lmmontgomery.hotlunches.net/.



As always, please send in cutlery and a water bottle with your child daily as we do not have any extra at the school to provide. If you have any questions, please contact our main office for assistance.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION 2024-2025 – PLEASE REGISTER ASAP!



- Children must be 5 years old by December 31, 2024, in order to be eligible for Kindergarten.
- Parents are asked to register their child at their local elementary school during school hours.
- A registration form will be completed at the time of registration.
- Parents are reminded to bring a piece of Government issued ID verifying proof of child's age, such as a birth Certificate, PEI health card or passport.
- Verification of home address must also be provided,

such as a current utility bill.

• Welcome to Kindergarten sessions for incoming students and their parents will be held at schools in the spring of 2024.

SCENT-FREE SCHOOL

Please remember that LM Montgomery is scent-free as per the Public Schools Branch's scent-free policy. All perfumes, colognes and other scented products can cause a significant reaction to those affected and are prohibited in our building. If your child comes to school with a scent that is causing staff to be unable to do their job, a phone call will be made to you and a plan will be discussed.



PUBLIC SCHOOLS BRANCH PEANUT/NUT ALERT



LM Montgomery Elementary needs to be as safe an environment as possible for a number of students who attend school with severe allergies to peanuts, peanut products and other forms of nuts. Due to a number of 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 or products with "may contain" in the list of ingredients are prohibited as well.

COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

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

PEI Home and School News, April 2024

1. Still time to register - Please register your Home and School delegates by April 8 for the P.E.I. Home and School Federation's Annual General Meeting & Convention. The Rodd Charlottetown Hotel and the Federation office preparations require our total attendance. Here are the details:

AGM Date: Saturday, April 13, 2024

Time: 08:45 a.m. - 01:30 p.m.

Fee: \$40 per person

Place: Rodd Charlottetown Hotel (75 Kent St. Charlottetown)

***Associations are urged to pay the registration fee, travel, and accommodation costs for their delegates to remove barriers to attending.

Parents, educators and students are welcome to attend with each Home and School asked to designate up to five representatives as your association's voting delegates.

Register online (https://peihsf.ca/agm/) or call 902-620-3186.

- 2. Reminder to review 2024 Resolutions before April 13 Resolutions submitted by local Home and School Associations will be discussed and voted on at the AGM on April 13. Ensure your voting delegates (parents, guardians, educators and students) review these prior to the AGM. Proposed resolutions include:
- 2024-1 Request inquiry into the indoor temperature of PEI schools
- 2024-2 Request PSB policy amendment for extreme hot weather
- 2024-3 Feasibility study of installing vaping detectors in schools
- 2024-4 Creation of a policy regarding screen use in primary schools
- 2024-5 Late resolution: Kindergarten Exemption from Split-Level Classroom Composition

All Resolutions can be viewed online at: https://peihsf.ca/agm/

- **3.** School Bus Driver Award School Bus Driver of the Year Award recognizes school bus drivers on P.E.I. for keeping our students safe as they travel to and from school daily. Submit nominations by May 3, 2024.
- **4. Solar Eclipse On April 8 students will be dismissed two hours early due to the solar eclipse.** PEI will experience the effects of the eclipse between 3:26 p.m. and 5:44 p.m. "The solar eclipse offers a rare educational occasion, but prioritizing safety is crucial for all of us to fully embrace its wonder. Doing a system wide early dismissal ensures our bus drivers will be off the road before the eclipse begins, and students will be home safely." Education and Early Years Minister Natalie Jameson. Look up: <u>Solar Eclipse</u>
- **5.** Cyberbullying Awareness Day A private member's bill brought forward by Souris-Elmira MLA Robin Croucher proclaimed April 25, 2024, as Cyberbullying Awareness Day, marking the anniversary of islander Harry Burke's death.

https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/prince-edward-island/pei-harry-burke-sextortion-1.7150941

~National Volunteer Week, April 14-20, 2024 is a time to celebrate and thank Canada's 24 million volunteers.

The theme "Every Moment Matters" highlights the importance of every volunteer and each contribution they make

at a moment when we need support more than ever. Let's recognize and celebrate every volunteer and each contribution

they're making to strengthen inclusivity and wellbeing in our communities. Now more than ever, Every Moment Matters!

#NVW2024 #EveryMomentMatters

~Virtual LungNSPEI 'Engaging Youth Stakeholders in Youth Vaping Cessation' Workshop,

April 3, 2024, 10:00-11:30 am! We need your voice and experience to help us better understand the opportunities and

challenges organizations are facing in their work to support youth vaping cessation on P.E.I. <u>This online</u> workshop is FREE

<u>and open to anyone who works with youth.</u> Please register and you will be sent a link to join the workshop before April 3: https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/youth-vaping-cessation-workshop-online-tickets-851673728047?aff=oddtdtcreator

Soccer Registration Information

Sherwood Soccer Registration - Sherwood Parkdale Rangers Soccer Club's 2024 summer soccer registration is now open! Please visit our website at www.sherwoodparkdalerangers.ca for program information and registration.

North Shore Soccer Registration – North Shore Sharks youth soccer program for U5-U13 is now open. For online registration, please go to NorthShoreSharks.ca.

Outdoor Soccer Registration - Delta Soccer's registration for outdoor programs opens April 1st. Our programs feature registration options that allow you to register for parts or all of the outdoor season. We specialise in programs for players born 2020 to 2015 as well as supplemental skills training for players born 2014 to 2011, including goalkeepers. Our season begins May 14th and ends September 1st. This outdoor season, try different and experience the difference. For more information go to <u>deltasoccer.ca</u>.

Spring Indoor Soccer Programs - Delta Soccer is offering spring indoor programs that will run between April 1st and May 11th. Programs consist of six, 1-hour sessions and there are options for participants born between 2011 and 2020. For program descriptions, schedules and to register go to <u>deltasoccer.ca</u>.

Inscription au soccer extérieur – L'inscription aux programmes extérieurs de Delta Soccer ouvre le 1er avril. Nos programmes proposent des options d'inscription qui vous permettent de vous inscrire pour une partie ou la totalité de la saison extérieure. Nous sommes spécialisés dans les programmes destinés aux joueurs nés de 2020 à 2015 ainsi que dans la formation complémentaire pour les joueurs nés de 2014 à 2011, y compris les gardiens de but. Notre saison commence le 14 mai et se termine le 1er septembre. Cette saison en plein air, essayez différent et découvrez la différence. Pour plus d'informations, visitez deltasoccer.ca.

Programmes printaniers de soccer intérieur - Delta Soccer propose des programmes printaniers de soccer intérieur qui se dérouleront entre le 1er avril et le 11 mai. Les programmes comprennent six séances d'une heure et il existe des options pour les participants nés entre 2011 et 2020. Pour connaître la description des programmes, les horaires et pour vous inscrire, rendez-vous sur deltasoccer.ca.