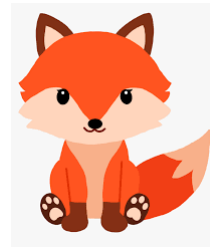


LM MONTGOMERY ELEMENTARY NEWSLETTER



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DATES TO REMEMBER:

- April 1 - Provincial Science Fair- Eastlink Center
- April 2 - World Autism Day- Wear clothing inside out or the color BLUE
- April 3 - Good Friday (NO SCHOOL)
- April 6 - Easter Monday (NO SCHOOL)
- April 10 - PD DAY (NO CLASSES)
- April 14-16 – Coupon Orders Due
- April 15 – Circle of Security Program begins (6:30-8:00PM)
- April 22 – Administrative Assistants Day
- April 22 – Earth Day
- April 23 – Unplugged Presentation – all are invited (7:00-8:00PM)
- April 24 – Bike Bus start date (weather permitting)
- April 29 - Incoming Kindergarten Parent Information Meeting (6:30PM)



LM MONTGOMERY SCHOOL'S SCIENCE FAIR

On Tuesday, March 10th, LM held its Science Fair! All students in grade 6 were required to participate and it was optional for grade 5 students. It was wonderful to see such an assortment of experiments! The students did an excellent job and the judges were very impressed of the knowledge they were able to explain about their project.

Ten projects have been chosen to attend the Provincial Science Fair on Wednesday, April 1st.

- Grade 5- Leah Welsh: How does Elephant Toothpaste Explode?
- Grade 5- Riley Robinson: When Science Becomes Art
- Grade 5- Punya Vivek: Sink or Swim
- Grade 6- Raya Buchanan: Going Bananas for Ethylene
- Grade 6- Rhetta Baglolo: Don't Doubt Your Diaper
- Grade 6- Meewel Sojan: The Ultimate Battle of the Toothpastes!
- Grade 6- Sam Knight-Williams: The Tree Barrier
- Grade 6- Eva Gu: Can Salt Save the Day?
- Grade 6- Jack Birt: Slapshot Science
- Grade 6- Darby Reardon: Is the Five Second Rule True?



Congratulations to all students who participated in this event and best of luck to those students representing LM at the provincial fair!

LM FUNDRAISER

This year we are pleased to be offering the 2026 Summer Saver Coupon Books as part of our fundraising efforts. This will be a joint Home and School and School Fundraiser supporting various programs at LM. Funds will also be directed towards the purchase of medical equipment for the Pediatric Unit and Nursery Unit at the QEH.

Summer Saver Coupon Books are full of excellent "BUY ONE GET ONE" offers from everyone's favorite restaurants, attractions and service businesses. The books sell for only \$10.00 each. There are extra copies of order forms in the office if students need more.

We will only be accepting payment for coupon books through school cash. Please use QR code provided. The payment deadline is April 16th.

PRIZES for the Top Sellers:

1st Place- \$75 cash prize; 2nd Place- \$50 cash prize; 3rd Place- \$25 cash prize. Every time a student sells three booklets, their name will be entered to win 1 of 3 RANDOM \$25 cash draws.



LM BIKE BUS RETURNS!

We are excited to announce the return of the LM Bike Bus each Friday this spring, beginning at the end of April. The registration is now open until Wednesday, April 8th.

What is the Bike Bus?

The Bike Bus runs a fixed route and schedule like a school bus, but instead, it's a large group of people - students and parents/guardian volunteers/school staff as trained 'bus divers' on bikes.

This fantastic initiative will help to...

- provide a fun, safe and healthy way for students to get to and from school,
- build students overall well being,
- create a better sense of school 'spirit' and community,
- help to reduce car traffic to and from school,
- cut down on noise and air pollution,
- increase long-term healthy habits!



If you are interested in this opportunity for your child, **and they can independently ride their bicycle without training wheels**, please fill out the online registration form - <https://forms.gle/p97P5bU8Sbzyg3we7>

If you are interested in being a parent volunteer to ride along, or support along the route, there is also a spot to register on the registration form provided on the link above.

If you require a paper copy of the form, please email Mrs. Bromley ndbromley@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 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.



KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION 2026-2027 – PLEASE REGISTER ASAP!



- Children must be 5 years old by December 31, 2026, 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.

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.

SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING

Spring is a delightful season that brings a sense of renewal and rejuvenation. As winter fades, the world bursts with vibrant colours and fragrant blooms, inviting people outdoors. Children benefit greatly from outdoor experiences, fostering skills like responsibility, empathy, collaboration, and communication. To foster Social-Emotional Learning (SEL) during spring, engage in family activities like outdoor adventures, gardening, gratitude journaling, mindfulness exercises, and create opportunities for kindness and helping others, all while celebrating the season's renewal. An outdoor spring scavenger hunt is a great SEL activity the whole family can enjoy while working on observation, self-awareness, and problem-solving skills. Check out this link to an outdoor scavenger hunt idea to get you and your family started:

<https://www.youareagardener.com/post/spring-scavenger-hunt>



COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

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

Circle of Security

Parenting Program



This group is for all caregivers of children (0-18) interested in learning how to manage behaviour, parental stress and enhance positive experiences by being able to recognize and meet their children's hidden needs, as well as their own.

Date/Time:

Wednesdays 6:30-8:00
Apr 15, 22
May 6, 13, 27
June 3

Location:

L. M. Montgomery School
Library

Learning Objectives of the Program:

- Understand your child's emotional world by learning to read the emotional needs
- Support your child's ability to successfully manage emotions
- Enhance the development of your child's self esteem
- Honor your innate wisdom and desire for your child to be secure



No referral is needed ✓

Light refreshments will be provided. ✓

Sign up in advance: [Click here](#) ✓

This is the registration link **Circle of Security Parenting Registration:**
[Circle of Security Parenting Registration](#)

PEI Home and School Federation Newsletter, April 2026

🔊 It's time to register for 73rd AGM & Conference. Please register your school and ensure it is represented at this meeting. Bullying is being addressed by guest speaker Alain Pelletier at the AGM.

Date: Saturday, April 18, 2026

Time: 08:40 a.m. – 02:50 p.m.

Fee: \$40 per person

Place: Rodd Charlottetown Hotel, 75 Kent Street, Charlottetown

Conference Highlights: Theme: *"Stop Bullying. Start Belonging."*

A.M. Keynote Speaker: Alain Pelletier "5 Faces of Bullying"

Workshop Topics:

1. Child Exploitation Unit
2. "5 Faces of Bullying"
3. Food, Finances & Fundamentals, etc.

Participation: This meeting is open to all parents and educators! While each school is limited to five (5) voting delegates, more than 5 people can register to attend from each school. *The greater the attendance, the richer the discussions.*

REGISTER by early deadline April 1st at: <https://peihsf.ca/agm/>

PEI Home and School Federation contact information: 902-620-3186 | peihsf@gov.pe.ca

🔊 **Review 2026 Proposed Resolutions before the AGM** - Resolutions submitted by local Home and School Associations will be discussed and voted on at the Annual General Meeting on April 18. Please ensure your voting delegates (parents and educators) review these resolutions in advance so they come to the meeting ready to vote.

The proposed resolutions include:

2026-01 = Integrating Playground Equipment into the Provincial Capital Budget

2026-02 = Increase Psycho-Educational Assessment Capacity for School-Aged Children in Prince Edward Island

2026-03 = Repeal Section 43 and Prohibit Corporal Punishment of Children

2026-04 = Urging Compliance with PEI Teacher Librarian Directive (Md 2025-05) By Hiring A Provincial Teacher- Librarian Leader

Find proposed resolutions online: <https://peihsf.ca/agm/>

🔊 **School Bus Driver Award** -The PEI Home and School Federation's [School Bus Driver of the Year Award](#) celebrates the dedicated bus drivers who help keep PEI's students safe every day as they travel to and from school. Nominations for the 2026 award are now open! [Submit your nomination by May 8, 2026.](#)

National Volunteer Week, April 19-25, 2026. Ignite Volunteerism: A year-long, nation-building celebration. We will celebrate how people in Canada have ignited volunteerism in their communities to deepen our collective impact. Visit: <https://ivy26.ca/> for resources

PSB School Board Trustee Reports - Congratulations to the Public Schools Branch Board of Trustees' new Chair, Andrew MacFarlane, and Vice-Chair, Karen Clare, who assumed their one-year roles on March 13, 2026.

Westisle (Zone 1) - Andrew Avery, Zone 1 Trustee for the PSB, has been working to meet all 9 schools in the Westisle Family of Schools since his Feb. 9 by-election win by acclamation. The primary concern across all schools is the need for more support staff, particularly teachers and educational assistants. The shortage of trained EAs is expected to worsen for the 2026-2027 school year, and Avery will advocate for addressing this in upcoming PSB budgets. On Feb 10, Hon. David Jenkins released a report on Student Safety in Island Schools with recommendations to ensure safe learning environments. Avery expressed concerns about the by-election process, which relied solely on mail-in ballots with a tight timeline, and plans to request a full review to establish the proper Election Day, in-person voting stations for 2028. He encourages community members to volunteer for school breakfast programs, noting that students who eat breakfast are more focused learners. Tignish Elementary Principal, Mike Ellsworth, received the 2026 Doug MacDougall Inspire Award for his dedication and positive impact on students and staff. *Andrew Avery* (andrewavery@edu.pe.ca)

Bluefield (Zone 4) - I've been able to meet some Home and School Associations in my zone and will schedule more meetings soon! In the meantime, I encourage people to reach out to me with any concerns or questions. I'm also looking forward to attending the AGM on April 18 and having great conversations with Home and School Association members. I've attended this AGM several times and have always found these meetings to be both informative and an excellent opportunity to network. *Karen* (kclare@edu.pe.ca)

Charlottetown (Zone 5) - With the warmer days of April bringing energy and smiles to everyone, we're excited by the prospect of joining one of your upcoming Home and School Association Zone 5 meetings. We'd also be thrilled to lend a hand with any student events you have in the works for May. Supporting the fun and learning that make our schools so special is important to us. In March, we had the pleasure of attending the awarding of the "Extra Mile" award to Mrs. Jill Burry of Stonepark Intermediate School. The affection and respect the students and educators displayed for Mrs. Burry were truly inspiring. It was a privilege to be asked to participate in this ceremony, and congratulations again, Mrs. Burry! Public School Board meeting minutes are available in the Board of Trustees section of the Public Schools Branch website. Kindest regards & Happy Easter to All! *Andrew* (amacfarlane@edu.pe.ca) & *Gaylene* (gcarragher@edu.pe.ca)

STEAM PEI is offering summer camps this year for kids ages 5–12 in the Charlottetown area, hosted at Holland College and the STEAM PEI Makerspace. Our camps give kids the chance to explore science, technology, engineering, art, and math through hands-on, fun activities in a welcoming environment. A wonderful way to keep young minds engaged over the summer! Learn more and register here: <https://bit.ly/4sMGhVt>

STEAM PEI		Charlottetown Summer 2026 English Camps		
AGES	5-8	8-12	10-14	
Location	Holland College	Holland College	STEAM PEI	
JUN-JUL 29-3	Art in STEM	Stop Motion Animation		
JUL 6-10	Wild Animal	Design Lab	Engineering for the Future	
JUL 13-17	GeoGenius	Stop Motion Animation	Game Makers	
JUL 20-24	STEAM Explorers	Tech Bytes	Girls in Design	
JUL 27-31	Space Quest	Online Investigators	MakerLab	
AUG 4-7	Wild Animal	Stop Motion Animation	Engineering for the Future	
AUG 10-14	Space Quest	Design Lab	Game Makers	
AUG 17-21		8-12 ←	Online Investigators	
AUG 24-28		Girls only, 8-12 ←	EcoGirls	

Delta Soccer Spring & Summer Outdoor Programs for Players 9 and Under

Not all grassroots soccer programs are the same. Delta Soccer is designed for families who want more coaching during practice time. Sessions are structured and high-energy, keeping children moving through small-sided games and skill activities that build confidence with the ball. Families can register for the 8-week Spring session (May–July), the 8-week summer session (July–August), or both. The outdoor season starts earlier and runs longer to provide more time for young players to develop and enjoy the game. Registration opens April 7th. Full details and registration at deltasoccer.ca.

