

FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS ELEMENTARY

NOVEMBER 2021

STUDENT SUCCESS PLAN

This is year two of our student success plan.

Math: To improve students' ability to communicate their understanding and thinking in mathematics.

Literacy : To improve student achievement in the areas of organization and language use.

Well- Being: To improve student well- being by enhancing connections with families and community.



School Closure Due to Inclement Weather and Other Circumstances

The Halifax Regional Centre for Education takes great care when making the decision to alter the normal operations of schools in the event of severe or inclement weather, and possibly other factors such as power outages. Decisions on school closures and/or bus cancellations are posted on the board's website at www.hrce.ns.ca, on the HRCE Twitter account (HRCE_official), recorded on 464-INFO (4636), shared with subscribers to the center's email and text notification system and communicated to local media outlets.

Schools may be cancelled as a whole Centre, family of schools or by individual schools. Fairview Heights Elementary belongs to the Halifax West Family of Schools. It is important to note that when the Halifax West Family of Schools is cancelled, so is Fairview Heights Elementary. There may be occasions when bus runs are cancelled but schools are open. When this is the situation the dismissal time and pick up by a parent/guardian is 2:15 PM. There may also be times when there will be delayed openings for the day. In the event of a delayed opening the school will be open two hours later than usual. If this is the situation, the bus pick up in the morning will also be two hours later than what was originally scheduled. Dismissal time will remain the same, 2:15 PM.

SCENT & NUT AWARE

There are students and staff who have severe allergic reactions to peanut butter, peanuts, nuts and other food products. Therefore, these food items cannot be at school. Many people are very sensitive to scent. It is important for our students, staff and school visitors to be as scent free as possible.

Parent Teacher

Parent teacher meetings this fall will be held through either a phone call or virtual meeting. Soon a letter will be sent to your e-mail to describe the process this year for being able to meet with your child's teacher to discuss their progress.

Indigo Grant – Shopping Trip

On Saturday October 23rd a student representative from each class attended a shopping trip to Chapters Store to shop with school staff to select the free books of their choice for their class, These books have been distributed to each student throughout the week. This grant has enabled us to promote an interest and encourage our students to read.

Fairview Families - Parent Navigators are part of our School Learning Community Team

Typically, families reach out to a **Parent Navigator** when they have questions related to the following:

- **policy**
- **registration inquires**
- **Are searching for resources and supports** - Parent Navigators are here to help families understand how to access and navigate key supports within HRCE and communities.
- **Need to talk with someone** - A Parent Navigator can have an informal chat with you over the phone, through email, or virtually via "Zoom."
- **Have no access to Technology** - If you do not have internet a Parent Navigator can assist with filling out and submitting electronic forms with you over the phone.
- **Are looking for answers** – If there are there questions that you are not able to get answers for please give a Parent Navigator a call. They may be able to either get the information for you or navigate you to a person who can help!
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There is **no referral process!** Just pick up the phone and give a Parent Navigator a call, or send an email.

Your School Learning Community Parent Navigator can be found at www.hrce.ca .

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Terry Fox – Remember Always “Try Like Terry”

The annual Terry Fox run has become a fall tradition across Canada, where we come together to raise awareness and fundraise for cancer research.

Recently our students participated in the Annual Terry Fox School Walk. Students in grades primary to six learned about who Terry Fox was and what his legacy continues to be for Canadians. This year’s theme “Try Like Terry” fueled our efforts! Students were encouraged to try something new or continue to try to practice to get better at something at school - whether it be something related to physical literacy in gym class or something related to math or literacy in their classrooms!

During the week of October 11th, we walked to show support of Terry Fox and raised funds for cancer research. As a school community we came together to raise over \$400! The excitement and enthusiasm seen across the student body during our walk was contagious!

Thank you to all those who supported our 2021 Terry Fox Walk - congratulations on a job well done!

Dates to Note

November 11 th	Remembrance Day	No Classes for Students
November 19 th	Assessment and Evaluation Day	No Classes for Students
November 24 th	Report Cards Home	
November 25 th	Professional Development in AM Parent Teacher in PM	No Classes for Students
December 21 st	Last Day of Classes before Break	