

Fairview Heights Elementary School

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Upcoming Dates:

February: African Heritage Month!

February: Registration Month! (Pre-Primary & Primary)

February 1: World Read Aloud Day

February 1: World Hijab Day

February 20th: Heritage Day honouring of Elder [Rita Joe](#) - No School

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Facebook; “Fairview Heights Elementary School Families”

Message to Fairview Heights Families:

Welcome to February! Please remember to send children to school dressed appropriately for the weather, and with refillable water bottles! Thank you.

We are hoping to have many family and community members participating in special events at school that support the academic achievement and well-being of our students in 2023. Please save the following dates and please join us!

- ✓ **World Read Aloud Day**, February 1st
- ✓ **School Concert, Bella Rose Theatre:** March 7th
- ✓ **March Break (No Classes):** March 13-17
- ✓ **Assessment Day (No Classes):** March 20th
- ✓ **Parent-Teacher (No Classes):** March 30th
- ✓ **Spring Fair:** May 13th

Promoting Healthy Habits at School & Preventing Infection:

Please remember to send your child to school in weather-appropriate clothing, especially during these cold months.

Public Health Guidance on Covid-19 to support health & safety at school can be found here:

<https://backtoschool.ednet.ns.ca/public-health-guidance>



Did You Know?

We are having a school concert on March 7th at the Bella Rose Theatre!

Details are as follows:

Our first school concert since 2019, “**It Fell From The Sky,**” will be on Tuesday, March 7th at the Bella Rose Auditorium located at Halifax West High School (283 Thomas Raddall Drive, Halifax, Nova Scotia). **Students should arrive at 6:00PM, for a 6:30PM start.**

Due to capacity issues, each family may request up to **2 tickets**. Tickets will be sent home the week prior to the concert and are **REQUIRED** for entry (*BRING TICKETS WITH YOU TO GET IN!*). Seats will not be assigned and will be occupied on a first-come, first-served basis.

To request tickets, please go to our school website and click on “Request Concert Tickets” on the main page. You may also request tickets via the paper form sent home on February 1st.

Please remember that tickets will be distributed to families in the order that requests are received.





February is African Heritage Month! This year's theme, *Seas of Struggle – African Peoples from Shore to Shore*, recognizes the resiliency, strength, and determination of people of African descent from the shores of Africa to the shores of Nova Scotia – with the Atlantic Ocean being the everlasting connection. Learn more [here](#).

Looking for ways to recognize and celebrate African Heritage Month?

- Attend events happening throughout the month at your local [Halifax Public Library](#).
- While you're at the library, [borrow books](#) that will inspire the whole family to learn more about African heritage.
- Visit local heritage sites, such as the [Black Cultural Centre](#), [the Africville Museum](#), and the [Black Loyalist Heritage Centre](#).



Effective February 1, 2023, we will be accepting registrations for the 2023-2024 school year through our new online portal, PowerSchool Enrollment.!

Tip: Before you begin, make sure you have the following documents in electronic form (image, PDF or Word document):

- Proof of identity/age with one of the following: birth certificate, passport, immigration papers, or legal adoption papers) if you are new to the HRCE;
- Proof of home address (a recently dated official government or utility document with your current address that includes your name and date, such as water bill, power bill, internet bill, home fuel bill, a tax receipt, property assessment or a mortgage contract); and
- Nova Scotia Health Card or Canadian Province Health Card or, for non-citizens while in Canada, proof of Medical Insurance Information.

Visit the [HRCE website](#) for more information and to enrol your child today in Pre-Primary or Primary!

Guidelines for school and/or bus cancellations due to inclement weather

Nova Scotia winter weather can change quickly and can be challenging to predict. This document outlines the steps we take when deciding whether to cancel school and/or bussing.

A 6:00 am announcement could be:

All schools are closed for the day

OR

Some schools (either individually or by family) are closed for the day

OR

All schools are open, but some or all busses are not operating for the day

OR

All schools are delayed in opening by 2 hours

If weather deteriorates, or is forecast to worsen throughout the morning

An 11:00 am announcement could be:

Bussed students will be picked up 2 hours earlier than their regular dismissal time

AND

Walking students will be dismissed at their regularly scheduled lunch hour



How does Halifax Regional Centre for Education (HRCE) decide on school and/or bus cancellations?

By 4:30 am, HRCE staff begin to gather information from:

- A contracted weather service that provides radar and satellite imagery, real-time road conditions and weather warnings;
- A meteorologist who provides forecast details, level and type of precipitation and impact on road conditions;
- HRCE's three transportation service providers, who provide updates on road conditions in their area;
- Municipal and provincial transportation staff; and
- Other local weather services, including Environment Canada and the Weather Network.

By 5:30 am, HRCE staff make recommendations to the Regional Executive Director (or designate), who then makes the final decision.

This decision is communicated by 6:00 am.



Halifax
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Where can cancellation information be found?

Website: www.hrce.ca

Twitter: @HRCE_NS

Phone: 902-464-INFO (4636)

Local media outlets

Subscribe to email/text notifications at www.hrce.ca



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The Salvation Army Halifax West Community Church
 50 Gesner Street, Fairview
 9:30am - 10:30am
 February 11th, February 25th
 Cash or e-transfer

Links to register can be found at:

[facebook.com/squarerootsfvcp](https://www.facebook.com/squarerootsfvcp)

Registration is requested to ensure we have enough produce for everyone



FAIRVIEW / CLAYTON PARK

Square Roots is a social enterprise which redirects surplus farm produce to community members at an affordable rate. Visit [squarerootsfvcp](https://www.facebook.com/squarerootsfvcp) on Facebook for more information.

FAIRVIEW FOOD PANTRY

Pantry items are for everyone!

*Take what you need but leave some for others



*Please check expiry dates before donating



Fairview Resource Centre
 6 Titus St.



Al-Barakah Mosque
 12 Hillcrest St.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Fairviewfoodpantryproject>

Instagram: @fairviewfoodpantryproject

Email and e-transfers: fairviewfoodpantry@gmail.com

If you need support accessing resources or information that could support your child and family, please reach out to our Fairview Heights SchoolsPlus Outreach Worker, Melissa Caines: mcaines@hrce.ca or 902-483-5960. We are here to help!