

Fairview Heights Elementary School

Principal: Amy Hunt

Vice Principal: Michael Corbett

Administrative Assistants: Sherry Mitchell (Main Building) & Marwa Dewidar (Annex)

YMCA School Settlement: Zobeida Al-Zobeidy

Upcoming Dates:

Sept 7th: First day of school for students!

Sept 14th: Stand Up Against Bullying Day (Wear Pink)

Sept 20th: Parent Teacher Association Meeting, 5:30 (Main Building)

Sept 22nd: Terry Fox Run

Sept 27th: Photo Day

Sept 28th: Curriculum Night (5:00-7:00pm)

Sept 30th: Truth & Reconciliation Day - Wear Orange + (No School on Monday, October 2)

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Message to Fairview Heights Families:

Welcome to the 2023/2024 school year! We are looking forward to a wonderful year ahead supporting student well-being and achievement in partnership with families.

We appreciate ongoing communication between home and school. All classroom teachers will be reaching out to families before the first day of school for students. Please use this opportunity to connect about your child and their needs, your preferred method of communication, and share important details such as dismissal procedures.



If you are eligible for busing and have any questions or concerns, we encourage you to use BusPlanner online at <https://hrce transportation.mybusplanner.ca/> or contact the HRCE Transportation Team directly:

Transportation@hrce.ca or 902.431.4723



We will be practicing our first set of safety drills of the 23/24 school year over the next two weeks including a fire drill, hold & secure, and lockdown. These drills prepare students in case emergencies should arise while at school and ensure our school is safe for teaching and learning. Any questions, please reach out to your child's teacher.

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Daily Schedule
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It is very important for your child's well-being and achievement to come to school on time, play with friends on the playground, and start class together with his/her/their teachers and classmates. If your child will be absent due to illness, appointments or family commitments, please report the absence in advance by using our **Safe Arrival System**:

<https://www.hrce.ca/SafeArrival> It is vital that students are also picked up promptly at dismissal time on the playground, as their teachers will be in meetings and working to prepare for the following day. Here is our school schedule:

8:10am: Playground supervision begins.

8:20am: Classroom instruction begins.

10:20-10:35: Recess (Snack & Outdoor Play)

11:50-12:30: First Lunch (Eating & Outdoor Play) **12:35-1:15:** Second Lunch

2:15: Dismissal



RECESS & LUNCH AT FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS:

- Students should bring a refillable water bottle each day. We have filling stations throughout the school.
- We do not use microwaves. Students need lunches that do not require heating. Using a thermos is a great way to send a hot lunch.
- Lunch monitors supervise students during lunch. The lunch break is shared between eating in classrooms and playing outside.
- If your child requires utensils to eat the lunch they are bringing, you need to send utensils. We do not have utensils to give out to students.
- Recess should be a quick snack!
- Any child that would like a snack throughout the day will have access to healthy snacks such as apples, clementines, yogurt, cereal, granola bars and cheese.





Wear pink on
September 14
to recognize
**Stand Up
Against
Bullying Day!**

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Wear orange on September 29
in honour of

**NATIONAL DAY
FOR TRUTH &
RECONCILIATION**

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HRCE Policy on Head Lice at School:



A school-wide notice will be sent home to all parents/guardians when school staff suspect a case of head lice. *What Are Head Lice?*

Head lice are a common condition that can affect anyone. If your child has head lice, they can come back to school once treated.

Public Health recommends two treatments.

Please note, the following guidelines are helpful in preventing the spread of head lice:

- Notify your principal and your child(ren)'s classroom teacher if your child(ren) has or have head lice and keep the school informed about head lice issues as they arise.
- Check your child(ren)'s head(s) and hair regularly, including: once a week as part of your routine, after every sleepover, any time they have had contact with someone with lice.
- Keep long hair tied back or braided.
- Teach your child(ren) not to share personal items that have touched their head, such as brushes, combs, barrettes, headbands, hair elastics, towels, hats, helmet, toques, scarves, pencils or crayons.
- Teach your child(ren) to put their hats and scarves in their coat sleeves or backpacks when they take them off.

Principals may assist families in accessing the specific supports that they require, such as means of obtaining head lice treatments. The confidentiality, privacy, dignity, and best interests of students and their families will be respected at all times. Additional information on how to prevent, find, and treat head lice is available at:

<https://www.novascotia.ca/dhw/publications/public-health-education/07135-head-lice-pamphlet-en.pdf>