



September 8-12	Fire Drill
September 11	Stand up Against Bullying (Wear your pink shirt or clothing)
September 24	Terry Fox Walk
September 26	Orange shirt day for Truth and Reconciliation
September 29	Professional Development - No classes PP-12
September 30	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (no classes)
October 1	Treaty Day

ADMINISTERING MEDICATION AT SCHOOL

In order to have medication administered at school, **Parents/Guardians** need to drop off the medication and fill out the required forms. Medication needs to be in the original bottle with the prescription label. School staff can only administer prescribed medications.

SAFE ARRIVAL

If your child will not be attending school or will be late, it is imperative that you call the school's safe arrival line at **1-833-582-6940** or visit <https://sishrsb.ednet.ns.ca/public/> to record them as absent. The automated system will call out for all unaccounted absences.

If your child will be arriving late, please record them as absent, and the office will mark them present once they have arrived at school. The automated system is not set up to account for half day absences. Daily attendance and prompt arrival at school ensure your child(ren) and all other students in the class a successful start to their day. Missing even 10 minutes of a morning routine can interrupt student learning. We encourage parents to call the safe arrival line rather than calling the school.

LIFE THREATENING ALLERGIES

Please note that we are a nut aware and scent free school. Please do not send in food with nuts or that may contain traces of nuts. We thank you for checking labels carefully.

END OF DAY PICK UP CHANGES

Please keep end of the day routines for your child as consistent as possible. If you have an emergency arise, please do not leave a phone message, we may not receive it in time. If you know a change in advance, communicate this to your child's teacher and ensure the teacher

has acknowledged receipt of it. Students are not permitted to take an alternate bus to or from school. Only students on the specific bus manifest can ride on that bus.

FIRE DRILLS AND LOCKDOWN PROCEDURES

We will have 6 fire drills throughout the year: 3 in the fall and 3 in the spring; 2 lockdown drills throughout the year: 1 in the fall and 1 in the winter; and 1 Hold and Secure drill during the year. Teachers will talk with children to help them understand these practices.

NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

Each year on September 30, National Day for Truth and Reconciliation honours the children who didn't return from residential schools, as well as survivors, their families, and communities. Orange Shirt Day, led by Indigenous communities, aims to raise awareness about the inter-generational impacts of residential schools and allows us all to show our support for the Every Child Matters movement.



As there are no classes on Monday, September 29 and Tuesday, September 30, we welcome staff and students to wear orange on Friday, September 26.

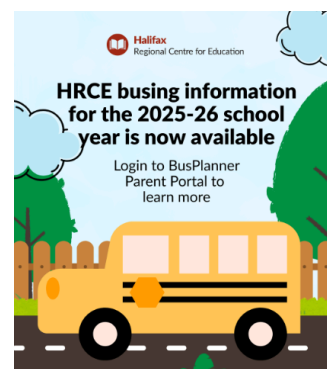
Lunch Monitors

We are still in need of Lunch Monitors! If you, a family, or community member are interested in lunch monitoring on an on call basis please contact the school at 902-876-3236.

TRANSPORTATION

Everything you need to know about student transportation including eligibility, stop times and stop locations can be found on BusPlanner. Once you register and subscribe, you can choose to receive email and/or text message notifications on changes to routes, bus delays or cancellations. To sign up, go to BusPlanner at hrce.mybusplanner.ca and click on Parent Portal. Follow the instructions to create an account.

Don't have a BusPlanner Parent Portal account, or need help logging in? **Please contact the HRCE Student Transportation Team at transportation@hrce.ca or call 902-431-4723.**



Registration/Demographic Updates 2025-2026



On September 9, the Demographic Updates Form will be available to families in the PowerSchool Parent Portal. This form should be updated by every family to ensure all information about your child is current, including contacts, medical information, consents and demographics. Even if there are no anticipated changes, please still review this information and submit the form. This information will then be reviewed by the school before updates are finalized. This deadline to submit the form is October 6, 2025.

MORNING ARRIVAL PROCEDURE

The safety and well-being of our students is, and always will be, our highest priority. As our school community continues to grow, it's more important than ever to ensure a smooth, safe, and predictable arrival process for everyone. To support this, the bus loop will remain permanently closed to all non-designated vehicles during morning arrival. With students arriving from both buildings and increased traffic on campus, this measure is a necessary step to protect all children and maintain an orderly start to the day.

We kindly ask for your continued support by:

- **Parking only in designated areas** on nearby neighborhood streets.
- **Avoiding stops or parking in front of the school driveway**, as this can block or delay school buses and essential vehicles.



We deeply appreciate your understanding and cooperation. Together, we can ensure that every student arrives at school safely and ready to learn