



# BELL PARK BULLETIN



## IMPORTANT DATES

November 8	Remembrance Day Ceremony
November 8	<b>Indigenous Veterans Day</b>
November 13	Remembrance Day Observed – No Classes
November 13 – 19	Transgender Awareness Week
November 17	Assessment and Evaluation Day – No Classes
November 23	Professional Development Day and Parent Teacher
November 24	Grade Six Cultural Even

### PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

It hard to believe that it's November already. We have been very fortunate to have enjoyed a great fall so far. Our students have been outside most days for recess and lunch. Now that the weather is getting cooler, it's important that children have hats, warmer coats, and clothing for the cooler weather. Please place your child's name on clothing as there can be more than one similar piece of clothing left unclaimed at the end of outdoor play.

Mr. Perry our music teacher, has been preparing for our Holiday concert, which is scheduled for Tuesday, December 12. We will be hosting an afternoon performance at Bell Park Academic Centre. Further communication will be coming out regarding this as our plans develop. It is important to note that each family will have a set number of tickets for the performance to ensure we do not exceed our Fire Marshal Regulations regarding seating capacity.

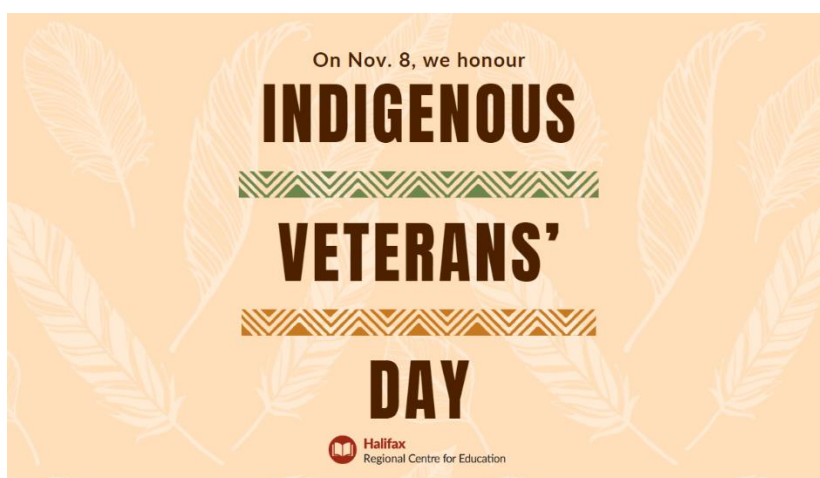
### Remembrance Day & Indigenous Veterans Day

On November 8, we honour Indigenous Veterans who have served in missions in times of war and peace. While not often enough acknowledged, the military service of First Nations, Inuit and Métis in Canada has deep roots. On November 11, we pause and reflect on the sacrifice of our veterans, past and present. Lest we forget.

### Transgender Awareness Week

Observed annually from November 13-19, Transgender Awareness Week provides an opportunity to raise awareness and acknowledge the positive contributions made daily by members of the transgender community. The week concludes with Transgender Day of Remembrance on November 20, a day on which we memorialize victims of transphobic violence.

**Be an ally** - An ally is someone who actively and consistently supports, stands with and advocates for the 2SLGBTQIA+ communities. The best way to be an ally is to listen with an open mind. It is our responsibility to treat all people with dignity and kindness.



## **Grade 3 Assessment Results from 2022-2023**

The results from last year's grade 3 provincial assessment have been sent home. As well individual student reports are accessible to parents on the PowerSchool Student-Parent Portal. Any specific questions regarding how you can work with your child to support learning should be directed to the classroom teacher.

## **Parent/Teacher Interviews**

Our first parent- teacher interview will take place on Thursday November 23, 2023, from 1-3 pm and 5-7 pm. Parents may request in person appointments or a phone call. Please watch your email as more information will be sent home next week.

## **Inclement Weather**

Did you know? HRCE takes great care when making the decision to alter the regular operations of schools and school buses in the event of severe or inclement weather.

It is HRCE's goal to communicate any changes to the regular operations of schools and/or buses as close to 6:00 a.m. as possible. **A 6:00 a.m. announcement could be:**

- All schools are delayed in opening by two hours and bus pickups are delayed by two hours; or
- All schools are open, but some or all buses are not operating for the day; or
- Some schools (either individually or by family) are closed for the day; or
- All schools are closed for the day.

If weather deteriorates, or is forecasted to worsen throughout the morning, **an 11:00 a.m. announcement could be:**

- Bused students will be picked up two hours earlier than their regular dismissal time; and
- Walking students will be dismissed at their regularly scheduled lunch hour.

## **How will I find out?**

- By email to the addresses in PowerSchool
- By text message, **if you have opted-in**. If you aren't sure if you have opted-in, text Y to the following number: **978338**
- On our website [www.hrce.ca](http://www.hrce.ca)
- On X (formerly Twitter) at [Twitter.com/HRCE\\_NS](https://twitter.com/HRCE_NS)
- On Instagram at [www.instagram.com/hrce\\_ns/](https://www.instagram.com/hrce_ns/)

It's important to always have a plan in place for childcare in the event of any cancellation.

For more information on how HRCE manages during inclement weather, visit [hrce.ca/weather](http://hrce.ca/weather).



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