



“Lest we forget...”



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From the Office

I can't believe it's the middle of November! Covid19 has changed the way we do many things at our school and we the staff of Hillside are working daily to provide students with the opportunity to have fun while learning. The children have been amazing and have demonstrated resilience on a daily basis.

We have an amazing school with amazing staff and awesome kids who daily make me smile. The staff have been very creative in teaching over the past few months and should be commended for their efforts and for their commitment to their students.

We have had to adapt as the weather has gotten colder and have started using the main door for entry to the second floor as snow clearing has been an issue. As the weather continues to get colder we have just started using our coat racks, and are following public health guidelines daily within our school.

I wanted to thank families for your diligence in completing the screening tool with your child daily and for not sending students to school who are sick. Now more than ever we need to follow the public health guidelines. If you have any questions about COVID please call 811.

*Be Well,
Mrs. Joy*



Playground Painting

There are many great things happening at Hillside. We are getting some games painted on our outdoor playground. Thanks to our PTG for providing funds to buy the paint and rent the stencils. A big Thank you to the CP Allen Leadership students who are giving of their time and talents to make this project a success while doing community volunteer work. I am excited to provide students with more opportunities to play outside.



Remembrance Day

We will be observing **Remembrance Day** on Nov 10th however, we will not be having our traditional assembly where we welcome families. We will however be honouring our veterans, and those who still serve by having

age appropriate class based observances at Hillside due to the pandemic.



Report cards will go home on Nov 30th-Dec 1st electronically. Please make sure your email address is up to date!

Parent teacher will be held on December 3, 2020 via phone calls from 12pm-6pm. Please ensure that you complete the form that will go home soon and return it to school for an appointment. As well, do not forget to book with specialists to chat about your child.



Our student's safety is still our primary concern and we encourage all families to park on the appropriate side of the street for pick up and drop off. We have been proactively monitoring the parking lot and are using cones to block off entries and would encourage you to follow the rules for the safety of all of our students.

Also I would suggest that parents have their children walk up the second driveway not the first... to ensure that the bus is not pulling in while students are walking up the hill. I am outside monitoring safety on a daily basis and see this as a safety concern. Especially in the winter when the ground is frozen!

Also, **a reminder to all parents/guardians, and visitors** to our school: No PARENTS or VISITORS are permitted to be in the school due to COVID 19. If you are picking up your

child or doing a late drop off please wait at the entry door.



News From the Library

Library books are due on Tuesday morning! Please help your children remember to pack their books.



Upcoming Dates

Nov 10 th	Picture retakes
Nov 11 th	Remembrance Day- No school
Nov 20 th	Assessment and Evaluation No school for students
Nov 24 th	SAC PTG 6pm via ZOOM
Nov 30 th	Report cards go home via email.
Dec 1 st	No school for Students
Dec 3rd	AM PD Day PM Parent Teacher Apt. will be given for phone call
Dec 22nd	Last day of classes before Christmas Break

Reminders

Tis the season....so please dress your child for the weather! A warm coat or layers, and now that the weather has turned colder, please remember to send mittens, hats, and boots to school with your child. **An extra pair of socks, or sweatpants would also be advisable.** This will save you from getting the call, "Hi Mom/Dad I'm wet; can you bring me some dry clothes?" Placing socks, underwear and extra clothes in your child's backpack is strongly encouraged.



Head Lice

Also, elementary school is always "in season" for **Head Lice**. We have had some reported cases this year! It is always advised to check your child on a regular basis, and to stress with them the importance of not sharing hats, brushes or combs, or headbands.

For information on how to properly treat Head Lice please visit Nova Scotia Public Health at http://www.gov.ns.ca/hpp/publications/07135_HeadLicePamphlet_En.pdf



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Follow us on Twitter to see lost and found or for quick updates. @HillsidePark1

We tweet about late busses, lost and found items etc. A reminder that we are not on Facebook. If you have any concerns I would encourage you **not** to post on social media but contact the office directly to seek clarification.

Knock, knock!
Who's there?
Lettuce.
Lettuce who?
Lettuce in, it's cold out!

