

# SHERWOOD NEWS

Sherwood Elementary School

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## DATES TO REMEMBER

February 20 & 25 Tours of the Old School 3:00 pm.

February 20 – Chocolate Bar Bingo

February 20 – Diversity Assembly

February 26 - Pink Shirt Day

March 4- Home and School Meeting 6:30 p.m.

March 6– Parent Teacher Interviews after school

March 7- No School Parent Teacher Interviews

March 12 – Report Cards

March 13 – School Dance

## CHOCOLATE BAR BINGO

Chocolate Bar Bingo was rescheduled for Thursday, February 20. The doors will open at 5:30 p.m. Bingo will begin at 6:00 p.m. Tickets are still available through the hotlunch program. There will be a limited number of tickets sold at the door. There will be a cash-only canteen during Bingo. We are looking forward to seeing you all and thank you in advance for your understanding and support.

If you have purchased tickets and the rescheduled date does not work for you, please contact the school for a refund.

## GRADE 5 DIVERSITY ASSEMBLY

The grade 5 students will be presenting an assembly to mark the finish of our Diversity celebrations. The assembly has been rescheduled and will now be held at 12:15 p.m. on Thursday, February 20. All students are encouraged to wear any culturally relevant attire, if they wish. Parents of grade 5 students are welcome to attend.

## TOURS OF THE OLD SCHOOL

School tours for parents, former students and staff, and the public will continue to take place at 3:00 p.m. on February 20 and 25. There will be opportunities for visitors to walk the halls, look at some pictures and displays from over the years, sign a yearbook, and reminisce. Tours will take place from the school office with the assistance of Leadership student tour guides.

## PINK SHIRT DAY

Sherwood school will be wearing pink on Wednesday, February 26. The theme for 2025 is 'Let Kindness Grow'. It is a simple statement with a powerful message that encourages everyone to work together and treat others with dignity and respect.

## DATES FOR STUDENTS GOING TO GR. 7

March 9<sup>th</sup> – Band Applications Due

March 17<sup>th</sup> – Late French Immersion Applications Due

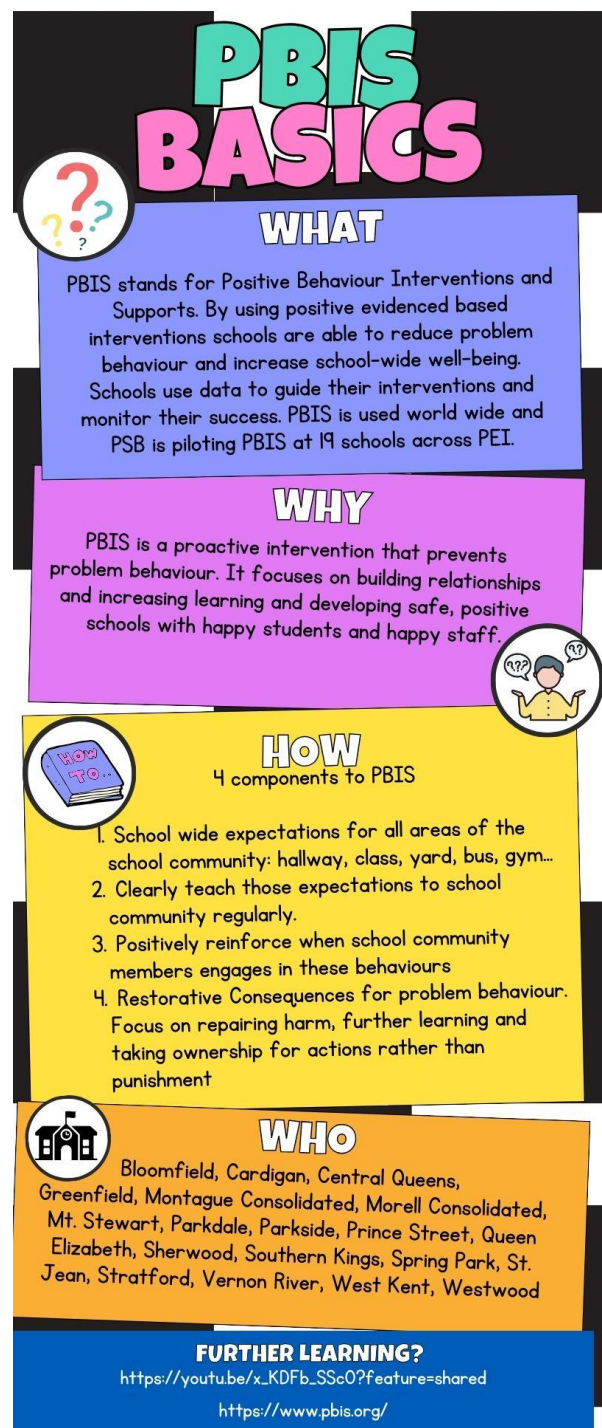
May 25<sup>th</sup> – Grade 6 Parent meeting for all incoming Grade 7 students (6:30 p.m.).

## PARENT – TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Parent teacher interviews will be taking place on the evening of March 6 and during the day on March 7. On-line booking will be used to book in-person interviews. In-person interviews will be conducted in the same manner as our first set in November.

## PBIS “Pawsitive” News Corner

Sherwood will unveil our school wide matrix to the students on Thursday, Feb 20. The teachers and Ms. King, the PBIS teacher, will be working with all students to explicitly teach our students about the behaviors and expectations on the matrix!



**PBIS BASICS**

**WHAT**

PBIS stands for Positive Behaviour Interventions and Supports. By using positive evidenced based interventions schools are able to reduce problem behaviour and increase school-wide well-being. Schools use data to guide their interventions and monitor their success. PBIS is used world wide and PSB is piloting PBIS at 19 schools across PEI.

**WHY**

PBIS is a proactive intervention that prevents problem behaviour. It focuses on building relationships and increasing learning and developing safe, positive schools with happy students and happy staff.

**HOW TO.**

4 components to PBIS

1. School wide expectations for all areas of the school community: hallway, class, yard, bus, gym...
2. Clearly teach those expectations to school community regularly.
3. Positively reinforce when school community members engages in these behaviours
4. Restorative Consequences for problem behaviour. Focus on repairing harm, further learning and taking ownership for actions rather than punishment

**WHO**

Bloomfield, Cardigan, Central Queens, Greenfield, Montague Consolidated, Morell Consolidated, Mt. Stewart, Parkdale, Parkside, Prince Street, Queen Elizabeth, Sherwood, Southern Kings, Spring Park, St. Jean, Stratford, Vernon River, West Kent, Westwood

**FURTHER LEARNING?**

[https://youtu.be/x\\_KDFb\\_SSc0?feature=shared](https://youtu.be/x_KDFb_SSc0?feature=shared)

<https://www.pbis.org/>

## STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK

The entire Sherwood School staff want to thank students and parents very much for the kind recognition they provided during Staff Appreciation Week. The uplifting messages and signs placed around the school and pictures in the staffroom helped staff know how much they are appreciated as were the

notes, cards, gifts and food provided. Thank you again for your efforts to make Sherwood Elementary a great place for our staff!

### **REPORT CARDS**

Report cards for the second reporting period will be sent home on March 12.

### **MARCH BOOK FAIR**

Our next book fair will be held during the week of March 3-7 in the school library. Some viewing will occur during the week prior with purchasing to begin as early as March 3. Visit <https://bookfairs.scholastic.ca/bf/sherwoodelemschool4> to see what new and exciting books will be available as well as other details for the fair.

### **HEALTHY SNACK WEDNESDAY**

Healthy Snack Wednesdays normally take place every Wednesday. This week students had a veggie tray instead on Thursday. The program is free and there is no requirement for a student to participate. The snacks will always be peanut/nut free and there will be an alternative snack on any weeks where the selected snack may have dairy/gluten in it.

### **CHILD CARE SUPPORTS**

There will be no classes for students on March 14, 24, and 25. Information was sent on the child-care supports that are available to assist the move to the new school and early closure this school year. Families needing child-care services for the move and early closure will be provided one-time financial assistance. The program will cover child-care costs for the following dates: March 14, 24, and 25 for the move, and closure beginning June 9 up to June 26.

To receive this financial assistance, parents need to meet the criteria of this program outlined at [www.PrinceEdwardIsland.ca/sherwoodchildcare](http://www.PrinceEdwardIsland.ca/sherwoodchildcare) and complete the necessary online application forms. The forms will be available online March 3, 2025. The Province has also created a frequently asked questions (FAQs) document for parents and guardians. Please have a look at the provincial site as well as the FAQs for the program coverage, eligibility criteria, and bookmark it to stay up to date on any new information. Anyone who has questions about these supports can contact the Department of Education and Early Years by email: [childcareallowance@gov.pe.ca](mailto:childcareallowance@gov.pe.ca) or the school administration at 902-368-6780.

### **SCHOOL SKATES**

A successful season of school skates have wrapped up for this year with students from each grade having had three opportunities to skate. Sincere thanks to the many parents and grandparents who assisted with tying skates and volunteering to skate on the ice.

### **WINTER WELLNESS DAY**

Winter Wellness Day will take place on February 27. Students will be involved in a number of wellness activities throughout the day.

### **FRENCH WEEK**

French Week will extend over two weeks from February 24 to March 7. Students and staff will be participating in a number of activities to promote their knowledge, understanding, and appreciation of the French language and culture.

### **HOME AND SCHOOL**

The next Home and School Meeting will be held on March 4 at 6:30 p.m. in the school library.

### **FINAL SCHOOL DANCE**

Save the Date! The Home and School Association will be hosting a final School Dance in the old school on March 13. More Information to come shortly.

### **UPDATING CONTACT INFORMATION**

This is a friendly reminder to contact the school office if there are any changes to your students' contact information, such as phone numbers, address or email address. It's important that the school has current and updated information. Thank you for your cooperation.

### **PARKING AND DROP OFF ON MAPLE AVE. AND PINE DRIVE**

The roads around our school are extremely busy and now the volume of snow has made streets narrower and banks higher! For the safety of our students, cars must not pull over, and stop to drop-off, or pick-up students. The Cody Banks parking lot is currently the only area specified for student drop-off and pick-up. Thank you to parents for their efforts safely using this area.

### **STUDENT DROP OFF/PICK UP**

The Cody Banks parking lot is the designated pick up/drop off area. There is a walkway at the back of the lot where students can safely cross over to our parking lot. For safety reasons, parents please do not drop off or pick up students on Maple Avenue, Pine Drive or the school's parking lot. Students should be in the building by 8:30 am in order to prepare for the beginning of class. **Students arriving after 8:35 a.m. are asked to use the main entrance as all other doors will be locked.**

### **SCENT FREE SCHOOL/SCENTS IN WORKPLACES**

Please note that Sherwood School has a fragrance/scent free rule that complies with the Public Schools Branch. Recently, there has been an increase in concerns related to scents in PSB learning and workplaces. For many people, when exposed to the ingredients in scented products, it can adversely affect a person's health. People with allergies and asthma report that certain odors, even in small amounts, can cause asthma symptoms. Please take the time to read the PSB scents policy which can be found at: <https://psb.edu.pe.ca/schools/school-health-and-safety/scented-products-and-fragrances>