

SHERWOOD NEWS

Sherwood Elementary School

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DATES TO REMEMBER

November 6 – World Under 17 Hockey Game

November 7 – Home & School meeting 6:00 pm

November 10 – Remembrance Day Assembly (Gr. 4 to perform)

November 13 – Statutory Holiday (no classes)

November 16 – PEITF/CUPE Convention (no classes)

November 17 – PEITF/CUPE Convention (no classes)

November 23 – Parent Teacher Interviews (after school/evening)

November 24 – Parent Teacher Interviews (no classes)

STUDENT DROP OFF/PICK UP

The Cody Banks parking lot is the designated pick up/drop off area. There is a paved pathway at the back of the lot where students can safely cross over to our parking lot. Thank you for ensuring that Cody Banks is the only location used for student drop off and pick up. For safety reasons, please do not drop off or pick up students on Maple Avenue, Pine Drive or the school's parking lot. We have been noticing an increase in this recently and have concerns about student, pedestrian, bus and vehicle safety. We appreciate your cooperation in keeping Sherwood students safe. The school parking lot is for buses and staff vehicles only.

SHERWOOD BOOK FAIR

The October 2023 Sherwood School Book Fair was a huge success thanks to our Sherwood families. Total sales were \$6630.25. The commission received was \$3024.92. Of the total commission, \$25.00 has been spent in shipping fees, \$710.25 was spent on classroom materials, and \$2105.75 was spent on new books for the library and classroom libraries. The remainder will go on our account with Scholastic for future purchases of books and classroom materials.

CROSS-COUNTRY PROVINCIALS

A big congratulations to our Pre-Novice boys who competed at the Provincial Cross Country on October 21 at Mill River. Jack Coady was Sherwood's top finisher placing 20th and the entire team did an amazing job representing our school in less than ideal conditions.

WORLD UNDER 17 HOCKEY CHALLENGE GAME

Grade 3, 4, 5, and 6 students will be attending a matinee game between Finland and Czechia on November 6 at 12:00 at the Eastlink Centre in Charlottetown.

All tickets for students are complimentary of the World Under 17 Hockey Challenge and there will be no cost to students to attend. Students will eat their lunch before leaving for the game and will return to school in time for regular dismissal.

For more information about the event click on the link below: <https://www.hockeycanada.ca/en-ca/national-championships/men/world-u17/2023>

Canteen services will not be available for students.

BATTERY BLITZ

There are just two more days for our collection of used batteries. Sherwood students, their families, and our community has done an incredible job helping our environment by ensuring these batteries were collected and recycled properly.

REMEMBRANCE DAY ASSEMBLY (Gr. 4)

The grade 4 students will be leading the Remembrance Day Assembly which will be held on Friday, November 10 at 10:15am. Families of grade 4 students are welcome to attend.

HOW TO GET UP TO DATE INFORMATION AND OUR NEWSLETTER

Our newsletters, as well as other parent information messages will be posted on our website. If you do not have access to the internet, please contact the office and we will send a paper copy home with your child.

DONATION FROM THE EPILEPSY ASSOCIATION OF THE MARITIMES

Sherwood Elementary wants to thank the Epilepsy Association of the Maritimes for their generous donation of granola bars for the school breakfast program. Their kindness goes a long way to support students who benefit from breakfast to start their day and to help them remain energized and focused on their learning.

UTENSILS

Students are urged to bring their own fork and spoon and other utensils from their home for eating their lunches. The school has very limited supplies and is not able to provide utensils except in emergencies.

WATER BOTTLES

The school has several water bottle filling stations available for student use. It is very important that all students have a water bottle each day that comes to school filled up. Water bottles can be refilled when necessary.

“REPORT IT!” CAMPAIGN

The PSB is excited to announce the launch of its “Report It!” campaign in all schools on October 18, aiming to empower students to report school-related incidents and ensure they can do so in a manner that is most comfortable for them. The “Report It!” campaign will focus on promoting the importance of reporting school related incidents such as bullying, theft and violence while reinforcing the message that students should inform their parents, guardians, teachers, school counsellors, principals or other trusted adults when they need support. Recognizing the diverse preferences of students, the campaign will offer multiple reporting options, including verbal, written and online methods. The online form, a new and innovative approach, allows students to submit reports anonymously, offering them an additional layer of privacy and security. Similar reporting options have been successfully implemented in other jurisdictions across the country.

For more information about the Report It! Campaign or to make an online report, please visit psb.edu.pe.ca/report-it- or follow the link from our school website.

COLDER WEATHER

Students are reminded to wear warmer outdoor clothing, jackets, hats, mittens or gloves, and boots now that the days are becoming colder. All students are outside twice a day for outdoor recreation at recess time. This time is much more enjoyable when students are dressed for colder temperatures. Please remember to label all your child's outdoor clothing with their first and last name so items can be easily returned if they are misplaced.

BUS PASSES

Our bus fleet is running at full capacity. We are unable to provide bus passes for anything other than childcare needs at this time.

AFTER SCHOOL PLANS

A reminder that any changes to a student's after school plan needs to be arranged **prior to coming to school**. We ask that changes be communicated to teachers in writing. Bus students are not permitted to walk home without written permission.

LATE FOR SCHOOL

Parents, if your child is late for school, please remember that all doors are locked. Please go to the main door and be buzzed in. Thank you for parking at Cody Banks when dropping off or picking up students during the school day.

SHERWOOD SCHOOL BAGS AND WINTER HATS AVAILABLE WHILE QUANTITY LASTS!

There are about 50 bags (\$10) and 60 hats (\$15) to be sold by Home & School.

These can be purchased online only at SchoolCash. Items purchased Sunday to Thursday will go home weekly on Fridays. If purchased on a Friday, the bag will go home on the next Friday.

[SchoolCash Online click here](#)

[SchoolCash Parent Instructions click here](#)

HOME & SCHOOL WREATH/CHRISTMAS TREE FUNDRAISER

Home and School is happy to announce our next school fundraiser. We have teamed up with Smiths Christmas Tree farm and we are encouraging kids and families to sell holiday wreaths and trees. The proceeds of these sales will go towards home and school hosted activities and of course our new school playground.

Wreaths are \$30 each and will be picked up at the school on a Saturday morning in late November/early December.

Trees are \$45 each and can be chosen at Smiths Christmas tree farm or Canadian Tire parking lot during the month of December. *Tree certificates will be sent home with students the week of November 20th.* Trees and Wreaths can be purchased using the link below. These will be available for purchase until November 5th.

[New School Playground Fundraiser \(company.site\)](#)

PLAYGROUND FUND

Donations can be made on our Hotlunch Program any time throughout the year. Thank you for your continued support!

SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAMS

Sherwood School is pleased to offer lunch options available through the *PEI School Food Program* as well as our own *HotLunches* program. A brief description of both can be found below.

PEI SCHOOL FOOD PROGRAM

The PEI School Food Program is a provincial lunch program that offers ALL island students K-12 a healthy and affordable lunch 5 days per week! The PEI School Food Program is accessible through the Bon Appétit ordering platform. User registration is now open at www.peischoolfood.org. We encourage you to check out the program and menu options online.

SHERWOOD HOT LUNCHES

Our school-based lunch program consists of white milk, chocolate milk, and Stratford Pizza on Fridays.

All orders must be placed by 9 am on the Saturday prior to the 2-week order cycle. Payments must be made online at the time of ordering, otherwise your child's order will not be processed.

MENU OPTIONS

Mondays to Friday: Milk, 50 cents, and chocolate milk 75 cents.

Fridays: Stratford Pizza (cheese pizza and pepperoni pizza the last Friday of the month) (\$2.50)

ONLINE ORDERING PROCESS

- Please visit www.sherwood.hotlunches.net
- Click on register on the upper right-hand corner
- Enter our school access code SEHL
- Fill in your information as required
- Make sure you register your child as the student and not yourself and ensure you pick the proper homeroom
- Please read the order dates carefully, we have had several parents order for the wrong 2-week period.
- If you need help at any time please click on the "help" tab then select "parent instruction guide"
- Choose food items and become familiar with the service.

BREAKFAST PROGRAM

The Breakfast program runs Monday through Friday from 8:05 a.m. until 8:40 a.m. Students who use this program are asked to enter the gym through the Garden doors. Students will be served toast, milk or juice, and fruit. All students are welcome. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Jesse Foster at 902-368-6780.

STUDENT SNACKS

Please remember to send a snack with your children for morning snack break. All snacks must be peanut and nut free.

PEANUT/NUT RESTRICTED SCHOOL

Sherwood School is a peanut/nut restricted school. We have a number of students who have a life-threatening food allergy (anaphylaxis) to peanuts/nuts. Our school strives to keep these students safe in the school environment. Please do not send these products to school or on field trips at any time. We appreciate the home and school-working together to provide a safe place for all our students.

LOST AND FOUND LINK

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1UdWGNw2hHMEcRb8zz8X-68JBQv-ycHzB/view?usp=sharing>

SCENT FREE SCHOOL

Please note that Sherwood School has a fragrance/scent free rule that complies with the Public Schools Branch.

HOME & SCHOOL

The next Home and School meeting will be Tuesday, November 7 at 6:00pm. Everyone is welcome. Chair, Sarah Boros, can answer any questions at sherwoodhomeandschool@gmail.com or on our Facebook page.


HOME AND SCHOOL NEWS, NOVEMBER 2023


Recognition and Awards Programme 2023-2024


Awards recognize deserving individuals in school communities. The P.E.I. Home and School Federation's 2023-2024 Programme begins with the Crossing Guard Award nominations due Nov. 24.


[Find more details online at PEIHSF Awards](#)


Happenings in our community...

 Donagh Home & Schools Craft Fair will be held on Sat., Nov. 18, 2023, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at Donagh Regional School (928 Bethel Road, Donagh).

 Literacy Champion Award - Call for nominations for our Literacy Champion Award. This award recognizes leadership and commitment in the field of literacy and lifelong learning. For more information, contact Amanda Beazley, PEI Literacy Alliance www.peiliteracy.ca

 Dyslexia Canada - Alicia Smith, Executive Director of Dyslexia Canada, to speak about Dyslexia & The Right to Read on Oct. 25, 6-7 p.m. at Three Oaks Senior High School, Summerside.

 Live Well PEI accepting applications for Wellness Grant Program
Community organizations may apply for [Community Catalyst Grants](#). Schools may apply for [School Health Grants](#). (\$2,500, \$5,000, and \$7,500). Applications for both grant streams will be accepted online until 9:00 AM on Nov. 6, 2023. More info at: [PEI Wellness Grant Program](#)

 Dates to remember:

November 11

[Remembrance Day](#)

November 20

[National Child Day](#)

November 21-27

[Canada History Week](#)

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHARLOTTETOWN BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

We are offering two Evening Programs for participants aged 5-12. Evening Programs take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.; participants are served a hot meal during the programming. These programs run until the week of Dec 25th, but participants can sign up after the program begins, as we do charge monthly. On Tuesday nights, we run Kitchen Quest. Kitchen Quest is a cooking and baking program, designed to build knowledge and confidence in our young chefs! Participants will learn many skills, including how to use kitchen tools, plan, and eat balanced meals!

On Thursday nights, we facilitate Imagination Station. For our curious and creative participants, Imagination Station will explore a variety of arts- painting, sculpting, drama, music, dance, and more!

Registration for Evening Programs is now available on the our [main website](#). Ten spots are available for each

evening; the program cost is \$10 dollars per evening program and is charged monthly. There are also internal scholarships available if funding is a barrier for your participation in the program. Please contact our Office Administrator, Leon, at admin@bgcharlottetown.com for more information.

Youth Night: Our Youth Night Program occurs every Wednesday from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. This program is for participants aged 13-16. We'll provide supper and many activity options (video games, art supplies, sports equipment, the list goes on).

Afterschool Program:

We also have a few spots remaining for our afterschool program, which happens every weekday from 3 p.m.- 6 p.m; if you are interested, you can find more information [here](#).

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FREE FAMILY LITERACY PROGRAM IN CHARLOTTETOWN

My name is Emily Cook-McDonald, and I am the Project Manager of the UPEI Faculty of Education's Literacy Outreach Project. Our endeavor was born out of a shared understanding that many island families could benefit from sustained support in literacy & numeracy education. After receiving a generous donation to kickstart our project, we have begun to offer many new programs for children and families across the province. Please find enclosed a poster for our free family library program: *Playing with Stories*. I hope that you might consider referring families to our program – we want to make sure our sessions are full of families, especially those who would appreciate this support.

Playing with Stories is a program for children aged 2 – 8 years and their parents/caregivers. (Baby siblings are also welcome to join!) In partnership with the Public Library Service & the Charlottetown Learning Library Centre, this program will run for ten weeks from October 15, 2023, until December 19, 2023. Families must register for one of two separate times: Sunday afternoons from 1:30pm – 3:00 pm and Tuesday evenings from 5:00pm until 6:30pm. We also provide a free snack/meal following the program and can coordinate transportation for families who need it if requested.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions and please direct those who are interested to reach out to me. Registration is required, and spaces are limited. Email: literacy@upe.ca Phone: (902) 620-5281

Kind Regards, Emily Cook-McDonald Project Manager, Literacy Outreach Project



EYE SEE ... EYE LEARN PROGRAM

To ensure children get the best possible start to their education, the **Eye See ... Eye Learn™** program provides one free eye exam and, if required, one free pair of glasses during their kindergarten year.

Please note:

The PEI Association of Optometrists and eyewear sponsors, VisionTech Labs PEI and Viva Canada have partnered with Health PEI to offer this eye health and vision awareness program for kindergarten children.



Why is it important for my child to have an eye exam?

When children start school, 80 per cent of their classroom learning is through vision. Regular eye exams give them the start they need to reach their learning potential. Eye exams can identify health problems and conditions such as a turned or lazy eye. These conditions may be successfully treated if they are identified early in a child's life. It is recommended that infants should have their first eye exam at **six months of age**.

How do I register my child for an eye exam?

1. Book an appointment with an [optometrist](#) for your kindergarten child.
2. Bring your child's PEI Health Card and private insurance information with you to the appointment.
3. If your optometrist is unable to bill your insurance provider directly, you will have to pay up front and be reimbursed. Submit your claim to your insurance provider, then [complete and submit an application for co-pay reimbursement](#) [PDF | 70 KB] to Health PEI for the remaining amount.

If you don't have insurance, [complete and sign a Declaration form](#) [PDF | 70 KB]. Your optometrist will not ask you to pay for the exam and glasses, if required, as they are covered by Health PEI and the PEI Association of Optometrists.

SPELLING BEE OF CANADA



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PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND CHAPTER REGISTRATION PACKAGES

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND REGISTRATION PERIOD: October 7, - January 15, 2024

PACKAGE OPTIONS	WHAT'S INCLUDED?	VALUE
1 PACKAGE A 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SBOC Study Guide (2024 Edition) • Participation in regional Spelling Bee Competition • Certificate of Participation • Competition Overview Webinar 	\$55.00 CAD
2 PACKAGE B 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Includes the Package A features plus: • Access to SBOC's Online Learning Platform (OLP), which features the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Study Section (auditory and visual learning) o Self-test (practice for the competition) o Activities (educational word games) 	\$70.00 CAD

3 COACHING For coaching details please visit our website at:

spellingbeeofcanada.ca/coaching



REGISTRATION DETAILS

Contestants must be the following ages, as of December 31, 2023			CHAPTER PRIZES			
PRIMARY	JUNIOR	INTERMEDIATE	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	
6-8	9-11	12-14	PRIMARY	\$500	\$350	\$250
Born: 2015-2017	Born: 2012-2014	Born: 2009-2011	JUNIOR	\$500	\$350	\$250
KEY DATES			INTERMEDIATE	\$500	\$350	\$250
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapter Spelling Bee Competitions in person: March - April 2024 • Championship Competition (In-Person at Toronto) May 26, 2024* * Subject to change to the virtual format and is contingent on Health Canada 			CHAMPIONSHIP PRIZES			
PROGRAM BENEFITS			PRIMARY	\$1000	\$750	\$500
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve your English skills in spelling, comprehension, creativity and communication. • Build self-confidence interacting with peers. • Experience public speaking & critical thinking. 			JUNIOR	\$1000	\$750	\$500
PAYMENT OPTIONS			INTERMEDIATE	\$1000	\$750	\$500
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Parent/Guardian visit: www.spellingbeeofcanada.ca/registration. 2. Parent/Guardian completes the registration steps as outlined on the website. 3. Accepted payment methods online include Visa, Mastercard, Paypal and Debit. 			All winners will be awarded trophies			

Please note that if you cannot pay by the above options, please contact SBOC headquarters at info@spellingbeeofcanada.ca or call 416-746-0072 to make alternative arrangements.

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