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EXCEL REGISTRATION INFORMATION 2017-2018

Families who are interested in registering their children in the 2017/2018 EXCEL Child Care program are encouraged to mark the following important date on your calendars:

May 1 - *General Registration begins for ALL EXCEL Before & After school programs at 25 Alfred St., Dartmouth and on-line. Go to <https://secure.hrsb.ns.ca/excel> to access.*

New Primary Orientation Wednesday, May 3, 2017

Orientation and Vision Screening for our 2017-18 new primary students will be taking place on **Wed., May 3rd**. Please note there is school for our current primary students on this date.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY

Just a reminder to parents there is a Professional Development Day on **Friday, May 19**. There will be no school for students on that day.

SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING Wed., May 17, 5:30 pm

HOME & SCHOOL MEETING Wed., May 17, 6:30 pm

**Victoria Day
Monday, May 22nd
School Closed**

SCHOOL VOLUNTEER FORMS



In order for parents and guardians to volunteer in their children's classroom or on a field trip, they are required to fill out forms – a Criminal Records Check and a Child Abuse Registry Search. Please see the school office for these forms.

HOME & SCHOOL NEWS

Our **Spring Walk-A-Thon Fundraiser will take place May 17th**, watch for pledge envelopes and more information to be sent home the week of May 3rd.

The **Spring Fair / BBQ is scheduled for Saturday, June 10th**. We will be looking for basket donations and parent volunteers to help out that day with set up/clean up, games, food tables, ticket sales, etc. More information will follow in the coming weeks.

Home & School Reminders...

Canteen is open on Mondays and Fridays. If you are available to volunteer in the canteen for an hour (approx. 9:45-10:45) please contact Leanne Christie at leannechristie5@hotmail.com.

Canteen Prices:

Chips, Juice, Yop	\$1.25
Snap Peas	\$1.00
Rice Krispy Squares, Goldfish, Cheese & Crackers, Nutrigrain Bars	\$0.75
Cheese Strings, Fruit Gummies	\$0.50

Note: Earlier this year we had to increase prices on certain items due to increased costs.

COUNSELLOR'S CORNER

Managing Disappointment

We want our children to feel the world is open to them, that they can achieve their dreams and be who they want to be. However, we also need to give them the tools to handle it when things don't go their way. Being disappointed sometimes is part of life, and protecting them from this will not help them feel strong and resilient. It is not realistic or helpful to recognize every positive move that a child makes. In fact, the risk is that they will learn to only do things if they will get an external reward, rather than because it is the right thing to do. This can actually erode self-esteem and self-confidence, and make success meaningless. Your child needs to know that the world will not end if she didn't get chosen for something, and that he's not a failure if he didn't get a reward for an achievement. You can help children learn to manage disappointment through



- Helping them name and discuss their feelings
 - Helping them give themselves messages like, "My teacher still likes me, even if I didn't get a ribbon this month"
 - Focusing on developing an internal sense of pride
 - Holding them to realistically high standards
 - Being supportive without being overprotective
- Success and recognition will truly feel even sweeter for your children if balanced by occasional disappointment.

CHECK OUT DARTMOUTH ALL-CITY MUSIC!

If you are going to grade 4 in the fall and want to **learn to play the violin or cello**, please visit <http://dacm.hrsb.ns.ca>. Registration will open in early May.



Do you love to sing? Will you be in grade 4 or higher in the fall? Why not audition for an All-City Choir? Please ask your school music teacher about us, or visit <http://dacm.hrsb.ns.ca> in early May for more information.

If you are registered for grade 7 band for the fall and want to play in an ADDITIONAL band, please visit <http://dacm.hrsb.ns.ca> in early May to register for the Dartmouth **All-City Junior Band!** Yes, you **MUST** be in your school band to be in ours.

Thank you for your support of our HRSB music programs.

Cheers,
Pam Paddock
Coordinator, Dartmouth All-City Music
<http://dacm.hrsb.ns.ca>

IMPORTANT Reminders . . .

24 HOUR ABSENTEE/LATE LINE



902-435-8466

- ☺ **ALL late students** are to check in at the office before going to class – MORNING & AFTER LUNCH.
- ☺ **When dropping off items for students**, and in an effort to minimize classroom interruptions and maximize student learning, **ALL** items such as sneakers, lunches and snacks are to be dropped off at the office with Mrs. Fraser. Thank you very much.
- ☺ **When picking up students at dismissal times**, please meet them outside by their dismissal door. Otherwise you will need to enter through the front door, sign in and sign out when you leave.

CANADIAN PARENTS FOR FRENCH

Nova Scotia has an exciting summer camp season for 2017. There are week-long overnight camps available that cover a range of French levels and activities. All camps provide a great opportunity for kids to learn and reinforce language skills over the summer. Imagine having all the fun of summer camp "En Francais"! For more information and application forms, visit ns.cpf.ca or call 902-453-2048/toll free 1-877-273-5233

SOCCKER CAMPS - SUMMER 2017

Camps are being held by Mitch Doell -
Technical Director of CHSC/Eastern Passage
Soccer and Technical Staff.

CAMP DATES:

JULY 10-14 AUGUST 14-18

JULY 17-21 AUGUST 21-25

WAGNER SOCCER FIELD

(Field in behind Cole Harbour Place)

9am - 4pm \$125/WEEK or \$25/DAY

**Early Drop Off & Late Pick up (8am & 5pm) No
additional cost.**

**New to Soccer? This is a great opportunity to
explore soccer. Children are grouped based on
age and experience level. Children have the
option to register for the fun or skills camps.
Fun camp will swim every afternoon, skills
campers will have the option to swim or play.**

Please email chsctd@gmail.com for registration forms and information

GIRL GUIDE REGISTRATION



Girl Guides
of Canada
Guides
du Canada

Fun for All Ages!

Sparks (grade primary & 1)

Brownies (grade 2 &3)

Guides (grade 4 – 6)

Pathfinders (ages 12 – 14)

Rangers (ages 15-17)

Find a unit near you!

Go to: www.girlguides.ca and
click “Join Now”

New members registration begins
June 1st, 2017