

Important Dates

Sept 15: Lockdown Drill #1

Sept 17: Picture day

Sept 21 : SAC / PTO Meeting

Sept 23: Terry Fox Run

Sept 25: PD Day - No school for students

Sept 29: Orange Shirt Day

Sept 30: Truth and Reconciliation Day

- No school

Other Info

NEED MORE LUNCH MONITORS

We're looking for lunch monitors to help supervise students during the lunch hour. It's a great way to support our school community and make a positive difference in students' day. If you're interested, please contact the school office for more information.



**Sept
14-18
Week1**

Hello Families,

As we move further into September, we are looking forward to a busy and exciting week at Porters Lake Elementary School with our first school Lockdown Drill on Tuesday, and Picture Day on Thursday.

Morning Drop off has been going well. Thank you for dropping off students and keeping our schools grounds safe. We do encourage parents to drop off their children and let them play independently before the bell rings. This is a big step for their independence and social growth.

As we embrace outdoor learning and play throughout the fall, we encourage families to send a change of clothes with their child, as we will be getting students outside as often as possible, even during damp or muddy weather.

Thank you for your continued support as we work together to make PLES a welcoming, safe, and caring place for all students to learn and grow.

Video Monitoring at Porters Lake Elementary

The Halifax Regional Centre for Education (HRCE) uses video surveillance at PLES. This is for safety, security, and property protection. If you have any questions, please reach out to school administration.

Student Toys

With the new school year, we are seeing a new focus on squishy collectables. First, we want to ensure toys don't distract from learning. We also want to remind families items are brought to school at their own risk. We don't encourage trading but can't easily enforce this. We have seen some unfair trades which have been upsetting for students. We'll work together through this latest fad.



Using BusPlanner

Everything you need to know about student transportation including eligibility, stop times and stop locations can be found on BusPlanner. Once you register and subscribe, you can choose to receive email and/or text message notifications on changes to routes, bus delays or cancellations.

To sign up, go to BusPlanner at hrce.mybusplanner.ca and click on Parent Portal. Follow the instructions to create an account.

Don't have a BusPlanner Parent Portal account? Need help logging in? Please contact the HRCE Student Transportation Team at transportation@hrce.ca or call 902-431-4723.

Monday 14	Tuesday 15	Wednesday 16	Thursday 17	Friday 18
Cafeteria: 4/5L, 5L, 56G, 6M	Cafeteria: 3D, 3T, 4C Lockdown Drill	Cafeteria: 1D, 1S, 12M, 2H	Cafeteria: 3D, 3T, 4C School Picture Day	Cafeteria: 4/5L, 5L, 56G, 6M