

Atlantic Memorial Terence Bay Elementary

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November
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Upcoming Dates

November 3

SAC Meeting at 6pm

November 10

Remembrance Day
Ceremony at 9:30am

November 11

Remembrance Day (no
Classes)

November 20

School Picture Retake Day
(must have photo/proof
card)

November 21

Assessment and
Evaluation Day (no
classes)

November 22

AMTB Holiday Market and
Fair 10am-1pm

Dates Coming Up:

December 3

Report Cards go home

December 4

TPP (morning) and
Progress Conferences
(afternoon/evening) (no
classes)

December 9 and 10

Holiday Concerts (see
details)

December 19

Last day before break

School Hours P-5

8:40 Playground
Supervision Begins
8:55 Students enter
9:00 Classes Begin
10:35-10:50 Recess
12:00-12:55 Lunch
3:00 Dismissal

Message to Atlantic Memorial Terence Bay Families:

We've had a wonderful start to fall at AMTB, with exciting events that brought our community together. Our Terry Fox Walk/Run raised \$427.50, we've had our Monthly Assembly, and our student announcement, assembly, and milk delivery crews are running smoothly thanks to the students' and teachers' hard work. The annual Halloween Parade was a highlight, with creative costumes on display, and our Pumpkin Decorating Competition showcased incredible talent from both students and staff. Thank you to everyone for making these activities a success – it's shaping up to be a fantastic year!

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AMTB Holiday Market and Fair Donations:

We are excited to be having the AMTB Holiday Market and Fair on Saturday, November 22nd from 10am-1pm. We will be sharing soon ways you can volunteer and support as well with donations. Any help and support is greatly appreciated.

School Pictures:

A photo card with ordering details for school photos was recently sent home with your child (orders are online). If you have any questions, please contact our school photographer at schools@adamsphotography.ca or 902-434-0558. Retakes will be held on November 20th. If you wish to have retakes, please ensure your child brings the photo card/proof back on that day.

Lost and Found Items:

We have lots of items that have lost their way and need to find their homes again. If you want to come look at our Lost and Found racks please drop by the main office and we can provide you access to search through them.

Winter Clothing

With November comes colder weather, and the need to bundle up. We remind all students to dress for the cooler temperatures. Some students may need an extra set of mitts or other clothing just in case.

Holiday Concert:

Save the dates! We are excited for our students at AMTB to provide a Holiday Concert again this year to spotlight all of the musical talents of our P-5 students. The dates for the Holiday Concerts are December 9th (1:30pm) and December 10th (9:30am and 1:30pm). More information to come about tickets the beginning of December.



Learning more about the Student Attendance and Engagement Policy:

Did you know? The Student Attendance and Engagement Policy guides our approach to attendance and is in place to support all students.

The policy states that regular, punctual attendance supports academic success, responsibility, and preparation for the future.

Ensuring regular attendance is a joint effort between students, families and schools. As a parent/guardian, you play an important role by monitoring attendance, communicating with the school when your child is absent, and supporting your child's regular attendance.

What Should You Know?

- **Communication about absences**

- Schools will monitor attendance and lateness.
- All absences must be communicated to the school, following the school's procedure.
- If absenteeism or lateness reaches 10% of class time, the school will begin to engage more actively with the student and family.
- If it goes beyond 15%, more targeted supports may be used (counselling, referrals, community supports).

What Can You Do?

- Monitor and encourage punctual, consistent attendance
- Maintain open communication with the school when absences or challenges arise
- Work with school staff to understand supports or accommodations for your child
- Remember: the policy allows flexibility. If your child has a legitimate reason for missing school (health, family issue, etc.), schools are encouraged to take a supportive approach.

Planning for Inclement Weather:

Did you know? HRCE takes great care when making the decision to alter the regular operations of schools and school buses in the event of severe or inclement weather.

It is HRCE's goal to communicate any changes to the regular operations of schools and/or buses as close to 6:00 a.m. as possible. A 6:00 a.m. announcement could be:

- All schools are delayed in opening by two hours and bus pickups are delayed by two hours; or
- All schools are open, but some or all busses are not operating for the day; or
- Some schools (either individually or by family) are closed for the day; or
- All schools are closed for the day.

If weather deteriorates, or is forecasted to worsen throughout the morning, an 11:00 a.m. announcement could be:

- Bussed students will be picked up two hours earlier than their regular dismissal time; and
- Walking students will be dismissed at their regularly scheduled lunch hour.
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How will I find out?

- By email to the addresses in PowerSchool
- By text message, if you have opted-in. If you aren't sure if you have opted-in, text Y to the following number: 978338
- On the HRCE website
- On Instagram

It's important to always have a plan in place for childcare in the event of any cancellation. Please remember: As a parent or guardian you always have the choice of whether or not to send your child to school.

For more information on how HRCE manages during inclement weather, visit hrce.ca/families/cancellations.



Thank you to **Blue Spruce Nursery** for donating a tree for our bus loop. It certainly adds a more welcoming setting for our students and visitors.