

Atlantic Memorial Terence Bay Elementary

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Upcoming Dates

April 1

Progress Conferences
5:30pm-7:30pm

April 2

Professional Learning
(morning), P-5 Progress
Conferences
1pm-3pm, and PP Open
House 1pm-2pm
(no classes all day)

April 3

Good Friday (no classes)

April 6

Easter Monday (no
classes)

April 13

SAC Meeting at 6pm (AM
site)

April 29

Professional Development
Day (no classes)

Future Dates

May 1

Talent Show (more
information to come)

May 4

Primary Orientation in the
morning (more
information to come) and
SAC Meeting 6pm (AM
site)

May 6

Primary Parent/Guardian
Information Meeting 6pm
(more information to
come)

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're excited to welcome the sunshine (hopefully soon) and the start of spring at AMTB! March was a fun-filled month, highlighted by Spirit Week and our Monthly Assembly.

There continue to be many opportunities for students to get involved in our school community. Students are taking on leadership roles such as helping with assembly set-up, participating in announcements, serving as milk managers and helping with the lunch program. Throughout the year, we also offer a variety of clubs for different grade levels, including Snack and Chat, Intramurals, Run Club, Allies Group, Friendship Club, Signing with Friends, and our Talent Show—just to name a few! Thank you to our staff who make all these opportunities possible.

We would also like to extend a sincere thank you to our SAC for purchasing fact fluency materials to support our classroom and resource teachers, as well as programming materials for our Learning Centre teachers. Your support makes a meaningful difference for our students.

As spring brings its usual rainy weather, our students are enjoying the season—especially the puddles and mud—with their splash pants and rubber boots! During this wet season it is a good idea to have an extra pair of pants packed just in case. We're looking forward to continued learning, growth, and fun as we move further into the spring months.

Carrie McBay Nancy Smith
Principal Vice Principal

Progress Conferences:

Classroom Teachers shared communication on how to sign up for the upcoming Progress Conferences. They are on Wednesday, April 1st 5:30pm-7:30pm and Thursday, April 2nd 1pm-3pm. As well, on Thursday, April 2nd from 1pm-2pm families with students currently enrolled in Pre-Primary or enrolled for the coming school year have an opportunity to drop in for a visit at the Terence Bay site.

Try Carpool Conversations with your Kids

Looking for an easy way to talk with your child about their digital world? Carpool Conversations from Common Sense Media offers short, engaging prompts and mini podcasts designed to spark family discussions about technology, media use, and online behaviour. Many episodes are only a couple of minutes long, perfect for a car ride or while waiting for practice to start. Explore the conversation starters [here](#).

The “Amazing” Adventure Guide

Unplugged Canada encourages families to reclaim childhood by creating more opportunities for outdoor adventure, independence, and real-world responsibility. Research shows that children thrive when they spend more time exploring their neighbourhoods, solving problems with friends, and contributing meaningfully at home and in their communities. Simple steps like walking to a neighbour’s house, biking to a local park, helping plan a family meal or running small errands help kids build confidence, resilience and practical life skills.

Families can support this shift by intentionally creating space for free, unsupervised play and increasing responsibility over time. That might mean designating “no-adult” play zones, encouraging kids to gather in groups of three or more for creative play, or giving them meaningful household roles such as helping with groceries, cooking or caring for pets.

It can feel challenging to step back, but children build independence by practicing it. Families can make it easier by teaming up with other parents in their neighbourhood to create shared boundaries for safe roaming and outdoor play. For more ideas and practical steps, see the full guide: The “Amazing” Adventure Guide from Unplugged Canada.

Do you know how to raise a concern?

We want families to feel comfortable reaching out when they have questions or concerns about their child’s education or well-being. In most cases, concerns can be resolved quickly by connecting directly with school staff.

If you do have a concern, here are the steps to follow:

- Start by speaking with your child’s teacher or ECE. They are often best positioned to address questions about your child’s learning or classroom experience.
- If the concern isn’t resolved, contact the school principal to continue the conversation and work toward a solution.
- If you need additional support, HRCE’s Family Navigators are here to help. They can provide guidance and connect families with helpful resources and supports. They can be reached at connect@hrce.ca.
- If the concern still isn’t resolved, a formal review process can be requested and the matter will be looked into by the appropriate HRCE Director.
- The final step is for the concern to be reviewed by the Regional Executive Director.

You can learn more about the process [here](#) or by reviewing the [Parent/Guardian Concern Policy](#).

