

Atlantic Memorial Terence Bay Elementary

December
2023

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Upcoming Dates

December 4

PD Day (no classes)

December 5

Holiday Concert 1:30pm
(Bring your ticket)

December 6

Holiday Concert 9:30am
and 1:30pm
(Bring your ticket)

December 18

Holiday Spirit Day
(Wear Holiday Colours
and/or Sparkle!)

December 19

Holiday Spirit Day
(Wear a festive top and
/or head piece)

December 20

Holiday Spirit Day
(PJ Day ..time to be
comfy)

December 21-January 1

Holiday Break (no
classes)

January 2

First day back

January 8

SAC Meeting at 6pm
(Virtual)

Happy New Year!

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 had a wonderful first term and are happy to celebrate the achievement of all our students. Staff are dedicated to providing meaningful learning opportunities that support academic, social and emotional growth and success each day. Great job students on all your hard work first term!

Thank you to Ms. MacDonald and Ms. Smallwood for taking the lead and organizing such a thoughtful Remembrance Day ceremony. We were fortunate to have the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 153 and parents/guardians able to take time out of their day to join us. The respect and contributions of our staff, community and students reassure us that we will never forget.

Carrie McBay Lisa MacDonald
Principal Vice Principal

Holiday Concerts:

We will be having three Holiday Concerts this year. The dates are: Tuesday, December 5th at 1:30pm and Wednesday, December 6th at 9:30am and 1:30pm. Doors will open at 9:15am after our morning entry and 1:15pm after our lunch period. Please bring your ticket and if you would like to bring a donation for the Food Bank. Thank you!



AMTB Holiday Market and Fair:

We could not have done it without our fabulous staff volunteering their time and energy. Thank you to parents/guardians and community members who volunteered, bought tickets, attended our event, donated time, prizes, items for baskets and our auction. Your generosity was so appreciated. We look forward to sharing the total profit in the new year!

Some of the highlights include:

Winners

Turkey Dinner Basket Raffle: Wanda S.

Second Prize: Bernice P.

50/50 : Rob C.



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 space please drop by the main office and we can provide you access to search through them.

Winter Clothing:

With December, comes colder weather, and the need to bundle up. We remind all students to dress for winter. Some students may need an extra set of mitts or other clothing just in case. We have some winter coats that have been donated to the school. If we can be of any assistance in this regard, we would be happy to do so. Please email amtb@hrce.ca or call 902-852-2166.



Lunch Monitors:

We are looking for a few people who love spending time with children who have a few hours a day (12pm-1pm Atlantic Memorial Site and 10:30am-11:30am/1:30pm-2:30pm Terence Bay Site) to join our Lunch Monitor Team. We are looking for people to work every day and we are also looking for a few casuals who would be available to fill vacancies when needed. This is a paid position which is excellent for someone looking for a part-time job. If you would like more information on how to apply please reach out to us at email: amtb@hrce.ca.



Reporting a Student Absence:

To report your student absent there are three ways. All three methods are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Absences can be reported at any time before the start of school on the day the student will be absent. Up to five consecutive absences can be recorded at once.

Toll-Free Number

- Parents/guardians can call 1-833-582-6940 to report future absences using an automated system.

PowerSchool Parent/Student Portal

- Parents/guardians can log in to <https://sishrsb.ednet.ns.ca/public/> to access the SchoolMessenger website to report future absences.

SchoolMessenger App

- Parents/guardians can download the SchoolMessenger app for Android and iOS devices and use their username and password for the PowerSchool Portal.

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 buses 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:

- Bused 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.

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 our website www.hrce.ca
- On X (formerly Twitter) at [Twitter.com/HRCE_NS](https://twitter.com/HRCE_NS)
- On Instagram at www.instagram.com/hrce_ns/

It's important to always have a plan in place for childcare in the event of any cancellation.

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