

# Atlantic Memorial Terence Bay Elementary

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## Upcoming Dates

### March 4-8

School Spirit Week (see newsletter for more information)

### March 11-15

March Break (no classes)

### March 18

Assessment and Evaluation Day (no classes)

### March 25

SAC Meeting at 6pm (Terence Bay Site)

### March 26

Supporting Epilepsy Around the World (Wear Purple)

### March 29

Good Friday (no classes)

### Future Dates:

### April 1

Easter Monday (no classes)

### April 3

Parent Teacher Conferences (evening)

### April 4

Professional Learning (morning) and Parent Teacher Conferences (afternoon)-(no classes)

### 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:

February was an exciting month! We celebrated African Heritage Month, the Lunar New Year, and Valentine's Day. We also had some winter storm days and lots of mixed weather. And we have embraced it all! We celebrated African Heritage Month by starting our morning announcements spotlighting important and influential people of African Heritage and our students had the opportunity to participate in African Drumming Workshops during music classes.

February was also registration month. We have been registering a whole new group of Pre-Primary students along with many new Primaries. If for some reason you did not yet register your child, please do so ASAP. Current Pre-Primary students are not required to re-register for Primary. Also, if you have a neighbour or friend that hasn't yet registered please encourage them to do so. To ensure we have the right staff and supports in place for September, it's important that we gather enrolment numbers now.

March is here! So Spring is right around the corner. Yay! We are looking forward to spring weather soon.

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Principal              Vice Principal

### March is Nutrition Month:

Did you know? March is Nutrition Month! This is a great time to explore and learn about food. An important part of this is food literacy, which includes having the knowledge and skills to grow, choose, prepare, and talk about food.

Some ways to engage your family during Nutrition Month:

- Get kids involved in meal planning. Ask them to help choose recipes, write out grocery lists and explore grocery store flyers.
- Make cooking a family event! Kids can participate in age-appropriate tasks, such as measuring ingredients or setting the table.
- Enjoy meals together when you are able. Mealtimes can be a great time to connect in conversation.
- Start planning for an indoor or outdoor garden. This is a great way to explore where our food comes from.



### **School Spirit Week:**

To celebrate the week before March Break (March 4-8) we have created themed days.

- Monday- Wacky Hair Day (have fun with creative styles and colours)
- Tuesday- Camo/Animal Print Day (wait....where did all the student's go?)
- Wednesday- Inside-Out Day (simply wear your clothes inside out)
- Thursday- Silly Headwear or Sock Day (who will have the funniest?)
- Friday- PJ Day (Let's be comfy on the last day before the break)



### **March Break:**

Reminder that March Break is March 11-15 and schools will be closed. For Elementary and Junior high: Please note that Monday, March 18 is an Assessment & Evaluation day (no classes). Classes will resume on Tuesday, March 19.



### **End of the Day Dismissal:**

If you are making a change in the end of the day dismissal for your child(ren) please call the office by 2:30 at 902-852-2166. It ensures we have enough time to communicate the changes to your child and their teacher.

### **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](http://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/](https://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](http://hrce.ca/weather).

