

Montague Consolidated School Parent Newsletter

October 2023

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October Happenings

Dates to Remember:

Oct 3-5 – School Picture Days

Oct 9 – Thanksgiving No School

Oct 12 – Cross Country Zone Meet @ SKC

Oct 25 – Home and School Halloween Dance 6-7pm

Oct 27 – Professional Learning Day No School

Oct 31 – Halloween Dress Up Day NO Masks, No Scary Costumes, No Fake Weapons

Library News

We are very excited to be hosting a school-wide pumpkin character competition! Classes will work together to read various books, then decorate a class pumpkin to represent a character of their choosing. We can't wait to see each homeroom's creation and would like to send a huge thank you to the MacDonald family for donating pumpkins for us to use!

Students are reminded to please take special care of library books. Students have been taught proper book care and have been asked to keep any library books in their backpacks when not in use, to ensure that they are returned and ready to exchange for new books on their designated library day. Thank you for your support with this! 😊

October is Canadian Library Month! Please keep an eye on local libraries for special programming opportunities.

Bus Notes/Pick Ups

Just a reminder that bus notes are for childcare purposes only.

If you are picking your child up at the end of the day, we would appreciate that you wait until dismissal at 2:45. This way no class time is missed.



School Picture Days

Tuesday, Oct 3

KA- Lynsey Bradley
KB – Susie Pendelton
KF- Marin Jay
KG – Josee St-Laurent
1A – Erin Burke
1/2Y – Kristin Harding
1F – Ryleigh Spence
1G – Lisa Moore
2A – Pam Campbell

Wednesday, Oct 4

2F – Angela Brothers
2G – Amanda Cusack
3A – Megan Burns
3F – Ally MacKenzie
2/3Z – Sherri Davis
4A – Mr. Fitzpatrick
4F – Steph Guindon
4G – Corey Gaston

Thursday, Oct 5

3/4Y – Kelsey Duffy
5A – Lauren Clark
5B – Abbey Fisher
5F – Jessica Snowdon
5/6Z – Jeremie Brisson

6A – Mrs. Hendricken
6F – Dawn Thompson



Zone 4 Cross Country Meet is on Thursday, October 12th at Southern Kings Consolidated. Rain Date is Friday, October 13th.

Provincials will be held on Saturday, October 21st with location to be determine.

Permission forms will be sent home this week.



Dental Preventative Clinic at Montague Consolidated School starting Oct 26, 2023.

Purpose of Dental Clinic: Screen children to assess risk of oral disease; provide oral health education, topical fluoride, scaling/polishing and sealants, according to your child's individual needs.

Screening: All children will be seen for a two-minute screening to determine their risk of oral disease. If you do not wish your child to have this dental screening, please notify the school secretary or classroom teacher.

Consent: After the screening, all children will be given a consent form which will be necessary for you to complete and return before services are provided.

Fees: There is no cost involved as the preventive services are covered by the School Dental Care Program.

Contact: If you have any questions about the program, please contact the dental staff at the School or the Dental Public Health Clinic in Charlottetown at 902-368-4918.

Further Information: Please note that only preventive services will be provided and the screening is not a substitute for an annual dental examination. It is strongly recommended that parents take their children to a dentist for regular examinations and treatment. The Provincial Dental Care Program assists with the cost of basic dental care delivered in private and public dental offices. For more information, please visit <http://www.healthpei.ca/dentalhealth>



This October, in honour of Waste Reduction Week Earth Rangers and Call2Recycle are partnering on a program where elementary schools in PEI will compete for who can collect the most used batteries and for the chance to win 1 of 3 amazing cash prizes.

Did you know that properly recycling your batteries can help protect animals? Batteries that go in the garbage end up in landfills, adding to solid waste that can be harmful to the environment. You can do your part to make sure more batteries are recycled by participating in the Battery Blitz School Mission Challenge! Please bring them to our school and we will dispose of them in the Call2Recycle collection boxes.

There are three amazing Cash Grand Prizes available for the 3 PEI schools that bring in the most batteries by weight!

Send us your batteries. Each homeroom will have a box to fill. Our last collection day will be October 27.



Home and School



The Home and School is hosting our annual Halloween Dance on **Wednesday, October 25th from 6pm-7pm!**

Admission is by donation and a parent must remain on site with their child/ren.

Please note that costume weapons of any kind will not be allowed and please avoid scary/gory costumes as this is an all-ages event.

Canteen service will be available.

A request for donations and volunteers will be posted on our Facebook page next week!

Home & School News, October 2023

Semi-Meeting

The PEI Home and School Federation's Semi-Annual Meeting will be held on **Monday, October 23, 2023, 6:00-8:00 PM** at **Central Queens Elementary School**, 19821 2 Rte, Hunter River, PE COA 1N0. Light refreshments provided.

"HELP MY CHILD" Panel Discussion topics/speakers will include:

1. **What is Home & School? David Schult**, Former international school teacher and administrator having worked overseas for over 24 years, in seven countries before returning to Canada in 2021, will provide

background and context to what Home and School is and does.

2. **COMPASS Student Health Survey! Cody Davenport**, PEI COMPASS Research Project Lead, PEI Chief Public Health Office, will present student health survey results about their health and health behaviours including sedentary behaviours, physical activity, mental health, healthy eating, substance use, bullying, academic outcomes, and sleep.

REGISTER by Oct. 18/23 using the [Online Registration Form](#) linked here:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1jqKPoXSDO1MH9GulZ9Hp3xqXJbtNXtr1dENvPmPmqEM/edit>

What's on your Home and School agenda? Home and School = TEAMWORK

Meet with the principal/other school staff in Sept./Oct. to set goals for the 2023-2024 school year.

- Add discussion about collaborative ways to support the school to your agenda
- Add activities and educational topics (e.g., COMPASS Student Health Survey)
- Add Federation monthly news (e.g., Semi-Annual, Oct. 23; Training Wksp, Nov. 6&7)
- Add gov announcements applicable to student learning and supports
- Add fundraising initiatives discussion and determine the purpose

REMEMBER: Everything we (parents and teachers) do is for students' benefit!


Parent Leadership Grants

Funds are available for up to \$500 per Home and School Association to organize **parent educational, leadership** initiatives in your school community.

For more information, go to:

<https://peihsf.ca/grants/>

Questions? Contact the Federation office at: 902-620-3186 / 1-800-916-0664 / peihsf@gov.pe.ca

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