

Joseph Howe Elementary

"Building on Brilliance!"

Bell and Lunch Schedule

8:20 am - Arrival

8:30 am - First Bell

8:40 am - Learning Begins

12:10 pm -1:10 pm - Lunch

2:40 pm - Dismissal

Note: If your child is arriving after 8:40 they are missing out on teacher instructions.

Calendar of Events

Sept. 30 - Observation of National Day of Truth and Reconciliation - No School

Oct. 3 - Community Night 4pm-6pm (BBQ & Guests)

Oct. 10 - Picture Day

Oct. 11 - PD day - No School

Oct. 14 - Thanksgiving - No

Oct. 27 - PD day - No School

Oct. 31 - Halloweeen

Reminders

Please remember to send your child to school with a water bottle as the new fountains in the school are set-up to only dispense water into water bottles.



Principal's Message

As we move into Fall the mornings are getting colder. Please make sure your children are ready to head out for colder recess and lunch times. We recommend dressing in layers as we can have cold mornings and warm afternoons. Please remind them to bring any sweaters or hoodies home.

We are looking for support with the number of late students we have each day. The arrival time for students is 8:20 am. Teachers submit their attendance at 8:40 when our first class begins. If your child is arriving after this time they are marked as late and more importantly they are missing classroom instruction.

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Community Night

On October 3, 2024, from 4pm - 6pm, we will host a Community Night event. We will have a wide variety of community groups here to connect with families. Each community group will have a table set up in the gym for families to visit.

We will also have music and a BBQ set up outside serving hot dogs (halal), and snacks.

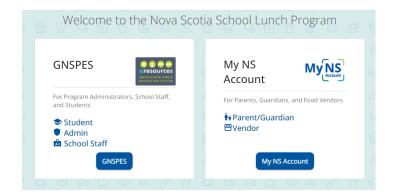


Lunch Program

There are 255 schools across the province in phase one of the Nova Scotia School Lunch Program. Families can order affordable lunches through an online pay-what-you-can system that lets them confidentially pay what they are able.

For more information please follow the link below. We will be hosting a session at Joseph Howe School, on October 17th, 2024 from 2pm - 4pm to help families log in. On Monday, October 21st, 2024 from 2:30pm - 4:30pm people will be at the North End Parent centre to help families get set up.

https://hrce.nslunch.ca/login



Safe Arrival Program

1-833-582-6940

If you have a new phone number or email address please contact the school so that we can ensure that you are getting the latest information from the school and your child's teacher.

It is the parents' responsibility to contact the school to identify if their child/ren will be absent.

You are now able to report future absences using an app, website, or toll-free phone number. If your student is absent and the absence has not been reported in advance, you will receive notifications via email, text, and phone calls from SchoolMessenger.

For more information please follow the link below:

https://www.hrce.ca/SafeArrival



Halloween

Children can wear costumes on the 31st of October.

Any snacks sent into the school need to be individually wrapped and nut free.

We are asking that parents not send in halloween masks or any costume weapons that might come with purchased costumes.

The option of wearing Orange and Black that day is a great option too!



	October 2024					
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Treaty Day	2	Gommunity Night 4pm-6pm	4	5
6	7	8	9	Picture Day	11 PD Day <mark>No School</mark>	12
13	14 Thanksgiving Day No School	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25 PD Day <mark>No School</mark>	26
27	28	29	30	31 Diwali Halloween		

Community Corner

Treaty Day, (October 1st) marks the beginning of Mi'kmaq History Month in Nova Scotia. Our students will be learning about Mi'kmaq history during the month of October and throughout the year at Joseph Howe School.

For more information please follow the link below: https://mikmaghistorymonth.ca/



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