



# Dwight Ross Elementary School Newsletter

November 2018



Dear Families,

Please keep in mind that it is important that students attend school each day and are on time. We want our students to reach their full potential. Attendance is being monitored and we will be following up with families for students with high numbers of absences and/or lates. If you are facing challenges getting your child to school, please contact me and we can work together to find a solution and explore available supports. There is a Provincial Attendance and Engagement Policy that is designed to identify and address absenteeism before it becomes a problem for students through early and targeted interventions. This policy can be found online at <https://www.ednet.ns.ca/student-attendance-and-engagement-policy>

Thank you,  
Mrs. Lander-Pinard



## DATES TO REMEMBER

Nov 9: Marking Day - NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

Nov 12: Remembrance Day Observance: NO SCHOOL

Nov 13: PTA Meeting 6:00pm

Nov 19: Farm to School Snack

Nov 29: Report Cards Go Home

Nov 30: PTA Lunch & Good News Assembly 1:15pm

Dec 4: PTA Meeting

Dec 6: Parent Teacher Interviews - Afternoon & Evening (1:00-3:30 & 6:00-8:00)

Dec 7: PTA Spirit Day - Theme is Wild Holiday Sweaters.

## PTA Holiday Shopping Spree

We are currently looking for donations for our annual Shopping Spree. If you have any new or GENTLY USED items (please no clothing) that you could donate to this cause please bring them to the school. The shopping is being held on December 18 and 19.



## CHANGES TO REPORT CARDS

Report Cards communicate the progress and current level of achievement for your child and are soon to be sent home.

Please note the following Report Card changes for the 2018-19 school year:

The Learner Profile reports on the behaviors, social skills and work habits that are important to be a successful learner and is reported with a developmental scale and a comment from the classroom teacher.

While all subjects are taught, assessed and evaluated, Science, Social Studies, Health, Information and Communication Technology, and Visual Arts are not reported on in the report card template directly. Comments on the report card may include those subjects as applicable and are to focus on your child's strengths, an area for improvement and will suggest ways to help their learning.

The Grade P to 3 Report Card:

Will use the developmental scale for reporting in each term for Integrated English Language Arts and Mathematics.

Physical Education and Music will only be reported in Terms 2 and 3 using the developmental scale and a comment.

The Grade 4 to 6 Report Card:

Will use the developmental scale for reporting on Integrated English Language Arts and Mathematics in Term 1.

Will use the letter grade scale for reporting on Integrated English Language Arts and Mathematics in Term 2 and 3.

Physical Education, Music and Core French will be reported on in Terms 2 and 3 using the developmental scale and a comment.

The above information is detailed in the video located at <https://www.avrce.ca/content/report-card-information-parents-grade-p-6-students-october-2018>

## Holiday Concert

The DRES holiday concert will be held on December 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm (Dress Rehearsal 1:15 pm) with a Storm Date of Dec. 17.

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