

PROSPECT ROAD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Allergies

An important reminder to check that school snacks/meals are **peanut AND tree nut free**.

Safe Arrival

To report an absence, parents and guardians can call 1-833-582-6940. This number is available 24/7. Absences can be reported in advance, up to 9 AM on the morning of the absence.

October Dates

- October is Mi'kmaq History Month <https://mikmaqhistorymonth.ca/>
- October.1: Treaty Day
- October.13: Thanksgiving (No Classes for PP-12)
- October 24: NSTU Conference Day (No Classes for PP-12)
- October.28: Picture Retakes
- October.30: Hallowe'en Dance (Details to follow once confirmed)

Treaty Day

Celebrating and recognizing Treaty Day is an important way we can strengthen understanding and respect for Indigenous cultures and histories. It highlights the significance of treaties as living agreements that shape relationships between Indigenous peoples and the government. By educating students about Treaty Day, we promote awareness of Indigenous rights and contributions and encourage reconciliation. This celebration helps build a more inclusive and respectful society, where students learn the importance of honouring commitments and working together for a better future.

Mi'kmaq History Month

October is Mi'kmaq History Month, a time to celebrate and recognize the rich culture, history, and contributions of the Mi'kmaq people. In our schools, we can honour this month by incorporating Mi'kmaq stories, traditions and teachings into our curriculum. Please join us in offering our respect, awareness and appreciation for the Mi'kmaq community and their enduring legacy. Learn more [here](#).

Indigenous Athlete of the month

Terry Fox (July 28,1958 - June 28,1981). Terry's hometown was Winnipeg, Manitoba. Terry's sports included basketball, baseball, rugby, and soccer. Terry is of Metis descent from the Red River Community in Manitoba. He was a member of the Junior varsity basketball team at Simon Fraser University. After losing his leg to bone cancer at the age of 18, he embarked on his cross-country run to inspire others and fund cancer research. He ran 5,373 kilometers in 143 days.



National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

September 30th was The National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, a time for reflection and education on the legacy of residential schools in Canada, honoring the lives and experiences of Indigenous children and families who were, and continue to be, affected. It coincides with Orange Shirt Day, which originated from the story of Phyllis Webstad.

Watch the Orange Shirt Day video to learn more about the history and importance of this day: https://m.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=86&v=E3vUqr01kAk&embeds_referring_euri=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.wrdsb.ca%2F&source_ve_path=Mjg2NjY&feature=emb_logo

School Bus Safety

Bus Stop Safety

- Be on time for the bus and please don't run to/from the bus.
- Stand back off the road and don't push or shove when waiting at a stop.
- Always cross in front of the bus. Walk three metres (10 feet) in front of the bus to a point where you can see the driver and wait for the driver's signal to cross. Proceed to the centre of the road, STOP, LOOK & LISTEN and cross the road when it is safe.
- Never crawl under a school bus or cross the road behind the bus.
- Know the danger zones around the bus.

School Bus Safety

- Please respect and listen to the driver and avoid distracting them.
- Please keep noise levels to a minimum.
- Do not stand or move seats while the bus is in motion.
- Never put your hands, arms, feet or head out of the bus window.
- Ask the driver for permission before you open the bus windows.
- Do not throw anything inside the bus or out of the windows.
- Keep the aisle clear at all times when the bus is in motion.

Remember: In Nova Scotia, it's illegal to pass a school bus when its red lights are flashing and the stop arm is extended.

You can find out more information about riding the school bus in HRCE [here](#).

