

## PROSPECT ROAD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

2199 Prospect Road, Hatchet Lake, NS  
Phone 902-852-2441: Main Office  
Email [pres@hrce.ca](mailto:pres@hrce.ca)

Principal: Kim Michaud-Wheatley      Vice Principal: Malena Matthews  
Administrative Assistants: Louise Marriott and Margaret Berringer

### 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.

### **November Dates**

- November.10<sup>th</sup> Remembrance Day Assembly 11 AM – Families welcome to attend
- November.11<sup>th</sup> No Classes – Remembrance Day
- November.21<sup>st</sup> No Classes – Assessment and Evaluation Day
- December.1<sup>st</sup> Report Cards Home
- December.4<sup>th</sup> No Classes - Progress Conferences & Teacher Professional Practice Day

### Mi'kmaw History Month

The theme of the 2025 Mi'kmaw History Month poster this year was A'tukwemk aq A'tukowinu'k - Storytelling and Storytellers. Mi'kmaw History Month is an opportunity to educate and celebrate. This year's theme invited everyone to listen closely and reflect on how stories continue to carry Mi'kmaw knowledge and truth into the future.

### Indigenous Athlete of the month



Mark Vincent Perkins, born in 1981 in Victoria, British Columbia, is a proud member of the Métis First Nation and a talented baseball pitcher with an impressive international and professional career. In 2009, he represented his skills on the world stage by pitching in the Caribbean World Series and the World Cup of Baseball held in Rome. Over the course of his career, Perkins played for several professional teams, including the New Hampshire Fisher Cats, Toronto Blue Jays, Chicago Cubs, and Iowa Cubs. He also spent time in the Caribbean leagues, pitching for the Leones de Ponce in Puerto Rico and in the Dominican Republic, showcasing his talent across North America and beyond.

~Mr. Comar

### Terry Fox Event

Our students ran more than 1109 kms collectively during our Terry Fox Event!!! (3697 laps of the outdoor track). PRES also raised \$740 for the Terry Fox Foundation! We are incredibly proud of our students!!

### Save the Date!

#### **The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to Prospect Road Elementary School!**

Your purchases will help bring in new books for our school Library and keep kids reading!

Choosing their own books empowers kids and inspires them to become Bolder, Prouder, and Stronger Readers. Here's what you need to know:

- December 1 - Preview Day
- December 3 & 9 Students can bring money for purchases
- December 4 Open During Parent/Teacher Progress Conferences

Catch you at the Fair!

~ Ms. Sullivan

### **Core Word of the Week is Back!**

We're excited to restart our *Core Word of the Week* initiative with our AAC users this year! This program supports our students' communication growth, and we appreciate your continued support.

#### **What is AAC?**

AAC (Augmentative and Alternative Communication) includes tools and methods that help individuals with speech difficulties communicate—such as picture boards or speech-generating devices. AAC allows students to actively participate and express themselves meaningfully.

#### **Core Word of the Week**

Each week, we'll focus on one *core word* to model and use during class and activities. Core words are high-frequency, versatile words that help students become more confident communicators.

#### **Example Word: "Good"**

Ways to model and use "good":

- Praise: "Good job!"
- Ask opinions: "Is this good?"
- Give feedback: "That's good!"
- Express feelings: "I feel good today."

~Ms. Dexter

