

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.

May Dates

- 5th Red Dress Day
- 7th School Advisory Council
- 8th BINGO!
- 15th Black Excellence Day
- 18th Victoria Day – No Classes
- 28th School Advisory Council

June (Dates below, information to follow)

- 4th Meeting for Grade 5 Parents/Guardians and Students – BJHS 5:30-6:30
- 12th Volunteer Tea (Afternoon)
- 21st National Indigenous Peoples Day
- 25th Grade 5 Closing
- 29th Assessment and Evaluation Day – No Classes
- 30th Last Day of School

Indigenous Athlete of the month



Fred Sasakamoose (1933–2020) was an important figure in Canadian hockey history and came from Big River First Nation in Saskatchewan. He made history as the first Indigenous player to compete in the NHL. In 1953, Fred played junior hockey with the Moose Jaw Canucks in the Western Canada Junior

Hockey League, where he had an outstanding season. During the 1953–54 season, he scored 31 goals in just 34 games and was recognized as the league's most valuable player. His strong performance earned him a spot with the Chicago Blackhawks, where he played 11 NHL games. Later in life, his contributions to hockey and his community were honored when he was made a member of the Order of Canada in 2018.

Arts Night

Arts Night was once again a great success for our students! They proudly showcased their creativity and achievements, highlighted by an impressive final play performance. Thanks to the generosity of our families, over \$1,400 was raised to support the Arts at PRES. Thank you to our students and families!

BINGO!

Get ready for Family Bingo Night! Join us Friday, May 8th from 6:00–7:15 PM in the school gym for a fun evening with great prizes like spa passes, gift cards, and a Paint Nite package. Admission is \$7 per person and includes a bingo book—everyone attending must pay. Tickets were available on School Cash Online from April 24th to May 4th. A cash-only canteen will also be available with snacks for \$1–\$2, so bring some change! Funds raised will go towards outdoor Spring items for students.

~ From HRCE ~

Black Excellence Day 2026



Black Excellence Day 2026 in Nova Scotia is a time for schools to reflect on and celebrate the achievements, contributions, and leadership of Black individuals and communities. It highlights the importance of inclusive learning where all students see themselves represented. This day helps affirm student identities, build confidence, and inspire future success while encouraging ongoing conversations about equity and representation in our schools. We invite everyone to wear a black shirt on May 15 to show their support!

Red Dress Day



Unplugged Webinar on Smartphones, Social Media and More

Free Live Event

UNPLUGGED CANADA

A National Conversation
with Unplugged Canada Ambassadors

Tania Johnson, M.C.
Co-founder of the Institute of Child Psychology
Award-Winning Author

Dr. Michele Locke, Ph.D.
Clinical Psychologist
Toronto Chapter Co-Founder

Kirsten Sweet, M.Ed.
National Program Director
Alberta Chapter Co-Founder

- Explore the research: Smartphones and Social Media
- Review the Unplugged Pledge and Resources
- Join our National School Champion Program
- Check out our new resource: Operation Landline
- Invite all parents and caregivers in your school community

Wednesday, May 6th
5pm PT | 8pm ET

Unplugged Canada is hosting a live webinar on May 6 for parents and caregivers about smartphones, social media, and their impact on youth. Led by experts, the session will share practical strategies, introduce new initiatives, and offer ways to support healthier tech habits at home and in the community. Register to join! Register [here](#).

Screen Free Summer: Digital Diet Guidance

As summer approaches, many families are thinking about screen time. This article introduces the idea of a “digital diet,” encouraging a focus on the quality and purpose of screen use rather than just limiting it. It offers practical ways to help children build healthier, balanced habits with technology. Read [here](#).

