

Truro Elementary School

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Communication Plan 2023-2024

Principal's Message

I am excited to begin my third year as Principal of Truro Elementary and look forward to serving the entire School Community. Our committed staff will work hard to identify each student's well-being and learning needs. At our school and throughout CCRCE we focus on fostering strong relationships with students and families, building a sense of belonging in classrooms, valuing the experiences of all students and embedding those experiences into learning. Together we encourage each child to aspire to their highest potential in a safe engaging environment. Truro Elementary would not be the school it is without the dedication of the parents and community. Our School Advisory Council (SAC) and Parent Teacher Group (PTG) will continue to work to keep our school safe and raise funds to support our excellent programs. Our school is an amazing place to work, learn, and be the best you can be!

Feel free to contact the school if you have any questions, comments, concerns or compliments. I look forward to meeting you all!

Mrs. Kathy Weatherbee

Where can I Get Information?

Communication Methods: School website [Truro Elementary Tigers](#), [School Google Calendar](#), Meetings, Local Radio stations.

Expectations for Student Success at School

Students are responsible for participating in their learning. Students are encouraged to discuss with their teacher what they have learned and what they have yet to learn. Discussion may also include due dates, negotiate extensions and re-submitting work. The process for incomplete assessments will follow the **EECD Process for Classroom Assessment Due Dates and Extensions**.

Parental Concern

If you have questions regarding student progress (including a review of student assessment results) and /or well-being, we have established guidelines for having your questions addressed at the school level. The following is a list of recommended steps for you to follow to ensure your child's needs are met:

1. Talk to your child.
2. Contact your child's teacher.
3. Contact the school vice-principal or principal.
4. If the concern cannot be adequately addressed in steps 1 to 3, the school may arrange a meeting with the parent, teacher(s) and administration.

A process has been put in place to ensure parents/ guardians receive prompt response to questions or concerns that cannot be resolved at the school level. If you feel an issue has not been resolved, the [CCRCE Parental Concern Referral Form](#) is available through the main office or on the [Parent Concern Process page](#) of the CCRCE website.

School Cancellations

School cancellation announcements are made over CBC 89.5 FM and other local radio stations. They are also documented on the CCRCE website. When school is cancelled, all other school events, including extra-curricular, are cancelled for that day. If buses do not travel on your road in the morning, then they will not be travelling in the afternoon.

Locked Door Policy

For security reasons, doors at TRES are kept locked. Visitors are required to call the office or come to the main entrance if needing their child during school hours. A staff member will take the student to the main door for dismissal. If a child is arriving during school hours please call the office and then have the student come to the main door.

Attendance & Reporting an Absence

Regular attendance is necessary for students to have success in school. As part of the Education Act, it is the responsibility of both students and parents to ensure that students attend school regularly. Attendance is closely monitored and parents will be contacted if we have concerns with a student's attendance. Steps will then be put in place to address the concerns. We thank you for your cooperation in ensuring your child attends school daily. Please use the PowerSchool attendance app or call the school at **9028965755** to leave a message.

NS EECD Homework Policy

The purpose of homework is to practice and reinforce what has been taught in school. Students are encouraged to complete homework as assigned. If you have questions or concerns, please reach out to the classroom teacher.

SAC

The School Advisory Council advises the administration of the school. The council is composed of staff, parents and community members. This group discusses issues that concern our school and work together to make Truro Elementary an even better place to learn and grow.

Parent Teacher Group

The Parent Teacher Group is composed of parents and meets on a consistent basis over the school year. The PTG is a hardworking group of volunteers who plan events, raise funds, and support teacher needs in the classrooms. This group works together to make your child's years at TRES a fun and happy experience that they will take with them for years to come.

Assessment and Evaluation

Teachers plan, assess and evaluate student learning against Department of Education and Early Childhood Development expected learning outcomes. Expected learning outcomes are statements describing what students are to know, show and do in each subject/course.

Teachers maintain regular communication with students and parents regarding students' learning, progress and well-being.

Some Important Dates to Remember

Meet the Teacher	September 5th
Students' Return to School	September 6th
Teacher InService Day	September 22nd
National Day for Truth and Reconciliation	September 30th
Thanksgiving	October 9th
Teacher Provincial Conference	October 27th
Assessment and Evaluation Day	November 10th
Remembrance Day/Observed Day	November 11th/November 13th
Site Based PD and Parent Teacher Report Card Schedule	November 24th
	November 20-23: Term I Report Card
	March 25-29: Term II Report Card
	June 28th: Term III Report Card
Christmas Break	December 21st
	January 2nd
Teacher Professional Development	January 2nd
Students return to school	January 3rd
Heritage Day	February 19th
Assessment and Evaluation Day	March 8th
March Break	March 11th-15th
Site Based PD and Parent Teacher	March 28th
Last Day of Classes	June 26th

Please refer to the school google calendar, the school web page for additional dates and information.

Truro Elementary Staff

Principal	Kathy Weatherbee
Vice Principal	Nicki Eikelenboom
Administrative Assistant	Jennifer Seeton
Administrative Assistant	Brittanie MacPhee
Primary	Sarah Magee
Primary	Allyson Parker
Primary	Sarah Chamberlain-Boyle
Primary (FI)	Lianna Singer
Grade P/1 (FI)	Lori d'Entremont
Grade 1	Ella Porter
Grade 1	Mary MacGillivray
Grade 1	Lindsay Mountain
Grade 1/2	Brianna Blaauwendraat
Grade 2	Davinder Rambelli
Grade 1/2 (FI)	Emilie Cameron
Grade 2	Sarah Peters
Grade 2	Janice Burgess
Grade 2 (FI)	Alyssa Belanger
Grade 3/4	Jacob Fancy
Grade 3	Veronica Young

Grade 3	Luke MacIsaac
Grade 3 (FI)	Janet McCarthy
Grade 4	Sara O'Neil
Grade 4	Chris/Crowell/Alexis Borden
Grade 4	Alana MacLeod
Grade 4 (FI)	Jessica Mosley
Learning Support	Amanda Cox Gould
Learning Support	Andrea Gelinas
Learning Support	Adam Harrison
Learning Support (FI)	Janet Addis/ Katherine Hodgson
Learning Center	Jennifer Curtis/Kelsey Keating
Reading Recovery/ELS	Amanda Cox Gould/Doreen Kolke
Music	Andrea Burris/Belinda Fraser
Physical Education	Andrea Williams/Drew Erskine
French	Janet Addis
Mi'kmaq Language	Sara O'Neil
School Psychologist	TBD
Speech Lang. Pathologist	Kerry Chisolm
Social Emotional Learning	Karli Aucoin
Behavior Support	Taran Jordan
Attendance Support Worker	Kerry Doucette
Mathematics Coach	Krista Tait
Math Interventionist	Alicia Barbour
Literacy Mentor	Krista Totten
Teacher Assistants	Jackie Goodwin
	Betty Lamont
	Brenda Connors
	Mary Cox
	Amanda Nelson
	Kim MacQuarrie
	Kerry Sexsmith
	Darlene Wood
	Darcie Hatt
	Brandon Betts
	Delores Morris
	Jennifer Macaulay
	Cathy Worsely
	Ketrina Harnish-Turnball
	Kristen Langille
Student Support Workers	Shelley Gloade/Juliana Paul/Lisa Wilmot/Bufie Hanes/ Savannah Dixon Graham
Custodians	Ian Daley/John Hancock/Trevor White
Pre Primary Teacher	Kerry Dyke, Ericka Campbell, Amanda Blaauwendraat, Megan Johnson, Judi Warwick, Carl King
Student Monitors	Alex Docherty, Betty Ross, Adam Jamieson
Cafeteria Cook	Yvonne Clyde, Shelley Adshade