REGIONAL UPDATE



From the TCRCE Regional Executive Director of Education



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MESSAGE FROM THE REGIONAL EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Hello, everyone. I am so pleased to be sharing this monthly update and reporting on our first month back in our schools. The beginning of this school year looked a lot different than most – the layout of many classrooms have changed, there are arrows on floors, and masks have become the norm. Even with all these changes, there was one thing that remained the same throughout the region, the overall feeling of excitement that comes along with starting a new school year.

It is truly wonderful to have students back in school. We know this is the best place for children and that's why TCRCE staff are working so hard to abide by public health guidelines while still demonstrating their commitment to providing the best learning environment possible. This commitment can be seen every day on social media. Many of our schools are engaging with families on a regular basis on Facebook, Twitter, and their websites. If your school is on social media, I invite you to follow them and #watchuslearn.

We also welcomed pre-primary to all of our schools this month. We know that access to early learning programs the year before children enter school supports life-long success and once again, our staff have shown their flexibility as we implemented the program in the midst of a pandemic.

With the first month back to school under our belts, students and staff are settling into new routines and I look forward to what October will bring. Our goal is to continue to keep our schools open and everyone has a role to play to make this a reality. Continuing to practice public health measures in our schools and at home, will play a significant role in keeping our doors open. Together, we can keep each other safe.

Stay safe and healthy,

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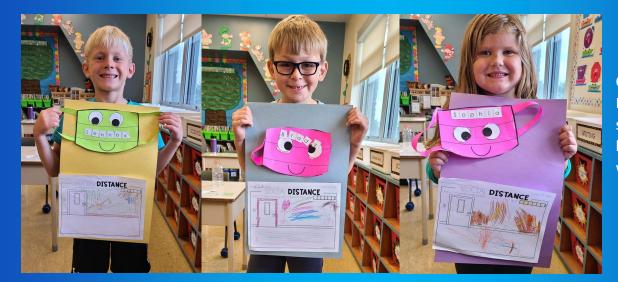
October is Mi'kmaq History Month and the celebrations will kick off with Treaty Day on October 1st.

Treaty Day is held each year to honour the historic relationship and the important contribution of the Mi'kmaq in Nova Scotia.

Throughout the month, our school communities will continue their ongoing education of Mi'kmaq culture and history. Be sure to follow us on social media to see what our students and staff are up to!

mikmaqhistorymonth.ca

SPOTLIGHT ON STUDENTS



Clark's Harbour **Elementary School** students have been learning about mask wearing!

The great September weather has provided many of our classrooms with an opportunity to take learning into the great outdoors!







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SPOTLIGHT ON STUDENTS





Some of the talents of Mr. Mitchell's Visual Arts 11 class at Yarmouth Consolidated Memorial High School.

On September 10th, our schools celebrated Stand Up Against Bullying Day. Students and staff wore pink to support the fight against bullying today, tomorrow, and every day.



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ADDITIONAL INFO FROM THE REGION AND THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT

If you have questions about the Back To School Plan released by the Nova Scotia Department of Education and Early Childhood Development, please visit: https://www.ednet.ns.ca/backtoschool/back-school-plan

For an up-to-date COVID-19 Daily Checklist, please click here.

Tri-County Regional Centre for Education 2020-21 School Calendar

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Parent-Teacher evening
meetings will be held around the
parent-teacher afternoons
marked on the calendar. Check
with the school for the exact
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Please note – dates subject to change based on public health restrictions that may occur during the 2020-21 school year.

School organization day
Professional development day
Labour Day
First day of school for students
Professional development day
Thanksgiving Day
Professional development day

Nov 11	Remembrance Day
Nov 19	Elementary/Maple Grove grading & classification day
Nov 19	High School Parent- Teacher/PD
Dec 3	Elementary/Maple Grove Parent-Teacher/PD
Dec 22	Last day before holiday break
Jan 4	School resumes after holiday break
Jan 25-28	High School exams

Jan 29	High School grading & classification day
Feb 15	Nova Scotia Heritage Day
Mar 15-19	March Break
Mar 24	Elementary/Maple Grove grading & classification day
Apr 1	Elementary/Maple Grove Parent-Teacher/PD
Apr 2	Good Friday
Apr 5	Easter Monday

Apr 22	High school Parent- Teacher/PD
May 24	Victoria Day
Jun 21-25	High school Exams
Jun 28	High school grading & classification day
Jun 29	Elementary and high school grading & classification day
Jun 30	Last day of school

No school for students

School for elementary and MGEC only

School for secondary only

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