



Hammonds Plains Consolidated Families

Welcome Back! We hope you had a fantastic summer and are as excited as we are to begin the 2025-2026 school year. Our team has been working diligently to ensure a smooth start, and we want to share some important updates and reminders as we get ready for the first day of school.

WELCOME

Class Lists and Classroom Configurations:

We know you're eager to learn your child's class placement, and we appreciate your patience as we finalize the lists.

Please refrain from contacting our administrative assistant or your child's current teacher about potential changes, as we cannot accommodate requests at this time.



Curriculum Night

Join on September 18th from 6 to 7 PM! This is a wonderful opportunity to meet your child's teacher and get a glimpse of the exciting plans we have for the 2025-2026 school year.



LOST AND FOUND

We are committed to minimizing lost and found items, and we ask for your cooperation by labeling ALL your students belongings. We try our best to return lost items to their owners.

If the lost and found becomes too much to manage, it will be boxed up and donated to a local charity.





Volunteering With the HRCE

Volunteers make a real difference in our schools!

Whether you're a parent, guardian, family member, or community member, your time helps enrich students' learning and supports their success.

From field trips and reading programs to classroom support, fundraising, coaching, and more — there are many ways to get involved.

To ensure student safety, all volunteers must complete a Child Abuse Register Search and a Criminal Records Check with Vulnerable Sector Check before volunteering. These must be dated within three months of your start date and are valid for three years.

Ready to help? We'd love to have you on board!



Stand Up Against Bullying Day.

On Thursday, September 11, we recognize Stand Up Against Bullying Day. This is a chance to begin the school year with a focus on kindness, inclusivity, and friendship. All HRCE schools are committed to creating safe, welcoming environments where every student can thrive.

We invite you to wear pink on September 12 to take a stand against bullying.

Breakfast Program

Our Breakfast Program will start up soon and each morning, we rely on volunteers to prepare food for delivery to classrooms.

We still need more volunteers to help with this important program.

If you are interested in lending a hand, please contact Tania McNamara at tmcnamara@hrce.ca

A heartfelt thank you to all the volunteers who have stepped up to support our students! Your contributions make a difference!

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

On September 30, National Day for Truth and Reconciliation honors the children who didn't return from residential schools, as well as survivors, their families, and communities. Orange Shirt Day, led by Indigenous communities, aims to raise awareness about the inter-generational impacts of residential schools and allows us all to show our support for the Every Child Matters movement.



Terry Fox

We are hosting the Hammonds Plains 45th Terry Fox run in Highland Park subdivision Sunday September 14th 9:00 am!

We meet at Deepwood baseball field (21 Deepwood Drive) then walk/run/wheel 2k/4k or 6k. To keep in accordance with Terry's wishes the event is free for all with fundraising encouraged. We will have a DJ, face painter, super hero guest and light refreshments. Please register today at <https://run.terryfox.ca/93111> or follow the Hammonds Plains Terry Fox Facebook page for more details.



Bus Planner



Everything you need to know about student transportation including eligibility, stop times and stop locations can be found on BusPlanner. Once you register and subscribe, you may also receive email notifications on changes to routes, bus delays or cancellations. To sign up, go to BusPlanner at hrce.mybusplanner.ca and click on Parent Portal. Follow the instructions to create an account.

Don't have a BusPlanner Parent Portal account? Please contact the HRCE Student Transportation Team at transportation@hrce.ca or call 902-431-4723. If you need help signing in.

SAFETY FIRST

Safety First: Visitor Protocol

The safety of our students and staff is our top priority. All visitors to the building, including volunteers and guests, must sign in at the office and obtain a visitor's tag from our administrative assistant. Please note that parents are not permitted in the building during instructional hours. If your child is being dropped off late or picked up early, they must be signed in/out at the office.

Additionally, if someone other than a parent or legal guardian is picking up your child, that individual must be listed in PowerSchool.

Universal School Lunch Program

We're excited to continue to offer the Universal School Lunch Program at HPCS

The Portal for the first two weeks of school is open, and you can log on here



Lunch Monitors Needed!

Interested in becoming a lunch monitor this year? Please contact the office for more information on how to proceed.



Cell Phone Policy

At Hammonds Plains Consolidated Elementary, cell phones are prohibited during the school day. If your child possesses a cell phone, it must remain in their backpack and be turned off. School administration understands that urgent information is best shared in a private and supportive environment.

The Principal will ensure that school contact numbers are available for urgent messages to be passed along in a timely and confidential manner. Exceptions to this policy may be made for individual needs (medical/ability) in consultation with the Student Planning Team, including parents/caregivers.

Please note that bus transportation is considered an extension of the school day and is subject to the Provincial Code of Conduct Policy.



Welcome back to the Library



I am so happy you dropped in! I have been exploring the worlds between the pages of many great books this summer and I am very excited to share them with you here.

Welcome to the "House of Knowledge for Thirsty Minds". It is here where you will find book suggestions from an assortment of genres, learn how to draw, take virtual field trips and listen to books online. Find an escape between the pages right here!





School Advisory Committee/ Parent Teacher Association

We invite you to get involved with our School Advisory Council (SAC) and Parent Teacher Association (PTA).

These groups play a vital role in promoting student success by providing feedback on school initiatives and policies. It's a great way to contribute to your child's education and the school community.

The First meetings will take place on September 9th

PTA 5:30

SAC 6:30



If your family is experiencing difficulties at home. We would like to provide additional support at school. We understand that you are not always able to share details and that's okay. If your child is coming to school after a difficult night, morning or weekend, please email the classroom teacher and/or the office "Handle with Care". Nothing else will be said or asked this will let us know that your child may need extra time, patience, or help during the day

Medical/Allergy Forms

As we get ready for a fantastic school year, please remember to complete and return the required medical/allergy documentation forms.

If your child needs to have medication at school, we must also have the medication along with the completed form before we can administer it. This needs to be completed at the start of every year. Thank you for helping us make this a safe and healthy year for everyone!

