



# OCTOBER NEWSLETTER 2018!!

## Hammonds Plains Consolidated School

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### **IMPORTANT DATES:**

October 4 <sup>th</sup>	Turkey Bingo 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
October 8 <sup>th</sup>	Thanksgiving Holiday – No School
October 9 <sup>th</sup>	SAC 6:00 p.m./ PTA 7:00 p.m.
Oct 12 <sup>th</sup>	Photo Retakes
Oct 17 <sup>th</sup>	In-Service /No School for Students
Oct 20 <sup>th</sup>	Community Pancake Breakfast & Emmanuel Baptist Church (more info. to follow)
Oct 25 <sup>th</sup>	Halloween Dance - PTA
October 26 <sup>th</sup>	No School/Provincial Conference Day
October 31 <sup>st</sup>	Halloween

### **HALLOWEEN:**

Once again we will be celebrating Halloween here at school on October 31<sup>st</sup> and students are permitted to wear their costumes. Please remember that the children should be able to move easily and safely, they should not be bringing any accessories which could be considered weapons (guns, swords, etc.) and they should avoid masks which obstruct their vision. While we want the students to have the usual party fare, it is important that we follow the Food and Nutrition Policy, so please send portions of treats in moderation.

### **YEAR TWO STUDENT SUCCESS PLANNING:**

Our staff has developed goals in the area of literacy and math. We also developed and implemented strategies this fall to report on how our students are doing in the areas of Literacy and Math and what interventions we can implement so that each student can be successful.

### **“WE SCARE HUNGER”:**

HPCS is going to scare hunger away this month. We will be running our annual food drive from Tuesday, October 9<sup>th</sup> until Thursday, October 25<sup>th</sup>. Donations could include, non-perishable food items, toiletries or cash/check. Let's join together and help hunger in Nova Scotia! Thanks in advance for your support ☺



### **CONCERT DATES:**

We are pleased to announce that this year our Holiday Concert will be on December 11<sup>th</sup> only. All Grade P-2's will be performing for you. On May 16<sup>th</sup>, Grades 3-5 will be doing a Springtime Concert showcasing their instrument and musical talents. "Due to specific curriculum outcomes that will be covered in both the December and May concerts, the grade 3 students who are in the combined 2/3 class will be invited to perform in both concerts"

### **PTA NEWS:**

**PTA MEETING – October 9<sup>th</sup>** – EVERYONE is welcome! We will be setting our fundraising goals and finalizing the spending budget for the year. It's a great time to hear ideas of what you think the school could use to help enhance learning at HPCS! Follow us on facebook [Hammonds Plains Consolidated School PTA](#)

### **Upcoming events**

1. **Thursday, October 4th, 2018** - **TURKEY BINGO** - from 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. (doors open at 6:15p.m.)  
It's a great "fun"draiser for the whole family. Play 10 rounds of Bingo for a chance to win a turkey and all the fixings! Fill out the ticket form and send back by October 2<sup>nd</sup>.

### **Donations Needed**

To make this event happen we need help from everyone! Each grade level is assigned an item to stuff the prize bags.

**BONUS** – Any extra donations will go to the **FOOD BANK** just in time for Thanksgiving!

**Primary – Gravy Mixes**

**Grade 3 - Carrots**

**Grade 1 – Stuffing**

**Grade 4 - Apples**

**Grade 2 – Cranberry Sauce**

**Grade 5 – Potatoes**

**Juice box** donations for this event from any grade would be great too! Donations can be sent in anytime between October 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> **IMPORTANT:** Please be sure to mark item clearly as a Turkey Bingo Donation!

### **Volunteers Needed**

New this year go to [www.volunteersignup.org/MMMXJ](http://www.volunteersignup.org/MMMXJ) to sign up for a short volunteer task or 2!

2. **Thursday, October 25th, 2018** - **HALLOWEEN DANCE** - from 6:30pm - 7:30pm

More info will be sent home at a later date!

3. **Saturday November 24, 2018** - **Hold the Date**

More info to be sent home at a later date!

### **PLAYDATES:**

Due to several bus mishaps, wrong stops, wrong bus information etc., we kindly ask that such transportation arrangements be coordinated at home between the families. Much time is spent by teaching staff discovering

correct bus numbers, location drop offs etc. Although such opportunities for social play is important, it would be most helpful if the children could go home on their regular bus and be transported from the home.

We thank you for your cooperation in this matter. If it is an emergency situation and a student needs to travel with another student please provide one note for the teacher and one note for the bus driver with the stop location and bus number clearly indicated.