

# Lawrencetown Consolidated School Newsletter

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## Upcoming Events

### Sept. 13

~ Meet the Teacher  
Night at 5:30 pm  
~ Pink Day (date change)

### Sept. 18

~ Regional Shut Down  
Day **NO SCHOOL**

### Sept. 19

~ School Photos

### Sept. 26

~ Picnic with Families  
12:15 and Terry Fox  
Walk; ~ Student of the  
Month Assembly at 1:00  
pm

### Sept. 27

~ Early Dismissal at  
11:30 am.

### Oct. 3

~ Walk to School Day

### Oct. 17

~ School Photo retakes

### Oct. 19

~ Early Dismissal 11:30  
am

~ Movie Night – “**Hotel  
Transylvania 3**”

### Oct. 26

~ Provincial Conference  
Day **NO SCHOOL**

### Oct. 31

~ Orange and Black Day  
~ Student of the Month  
Assembly at 1:45 pm

## Principal's News

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to the 2018-2019 school year! It's heart-warming to have our hallways filled with the smiles and laughter of children once again! The students are settling in to their new classrooms and routines. It'll take all of us a little time to get used to the school routine once again, and earlier bedtimes may prove to be a bit of a struggle for a few weeks. We appreciate your joining our efforts in promoting independence in your child. Help your child establish routines for doing homework, bringing items to and from school, and in communicating with their teacher should there be any questions or concerns. It's important to encourage your child to learn to

become a self-advocate and practice these life-long skills.

We hope you can come join us on Wednesday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, for our *Picnic with Families, Terry Fox Walk* and our student-led *Student of the Month* assembly. Rain or shine the events will be held. Bring a blanket and a lunch (or pre-order lunch if you wish) and come join the fun!

We are looking forward to a wonderful year of learning and growing together!

Paula Shehata  
Principal

## Meet the Teacher Night

On Thursday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, please join us for a Pizza Party from 5:30 – 6:30 to meet your child's teacher and other staff.

There will be one slice of pizza and a drink for each person. We will also have prizes: Family Pass to the

Zedex, Family Pass to Evans' Corn Maze and a Subway Gift Card.

Please fill out and return the green form by **Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>** or as soon as you can so we can order pizza.

We hope to see you there!

## Birthday Party Invitations

Parents/Guardians will sometimes send in invitations for other students in the class to attend their child's birthday party or other special events. When all students are not invited to attend, then the remaining ones are left feeling excluded. We have had this happen at our school where almost all students or almost all the girls or

boys have been invited, but not everyone. We work hard to create a safe and inclusive environment for all students at LCS, and, because of this, are requesting that parents/guardians **do not send in invitations unless all students in the class are invited.** Otherwise, we ask that you please make party plans outside of school time.

## After School Program Procedures

Please note, if your child is going to the After School Program at LCS for childcare, it is a two-part process. You must advise the teacher, in writing, that your child is attending on a certain

day and also advise the After School Program by calling or texting 902-532-8722.

## Resolving Concerns

If you have a concern about your child at school, we want to work with you to resolve it. We encourage you to start by communicating with your child's teacher – open communication can only help resolve concerns at this level. If you feel more action is needed, please contact the principal. If the concern still requires attention,

staff at the Regional Office can help. For details, please visit <https://www.avrce.ca/parentguardian> concerns.



## Bus stop supervision

Parents/guardians are reminded that **all grade primary and one students** must be accompanied to the bus stop both morning and afternoon. For safety reasons, Bus Drivers have been

instructed by the Annapolis Valley Regional Centre for Education to return students to the school if they are not met at the bus stop after school.

## Pink's Cool for our School.....Go LCS!

On **Thursday, September 13<sup>th</sup>**, all students and staff are encouraged to wear something **pink** in support of the Anti-Bullying Campaign started a few years ago by two grade 12 students at Central King's High

School. In coming to the defense of a boy who wore pink the first day of school and was bullied for it, the two seniors bought pink clothes for students to wear on the following Monday.



## Alternate arrangements home

Parents are asked to please write notes directly to the classroom teachers indicating alternate travel arrangements on given days. It is understandable that emergencies do arise in the course of the day and that phone calls to the office must be made, asking the Secretary to pass on travel arrangements for the day. However, there is concern that

perhaps the message may not be relayed in time, especially if the call is made close to dismissal time. Please do not leave a message on the voicemail about alternate travel plans for your child. In the event of a last minute arrangement change, it is crucial that you speak directly with the Secretary to ensure she has received the message.



“The secret in education lies in respecting the student.”

~Ralph Waldo Emerson

## From the Community

### School Insurance Program

All students are covered under the Basic Plan Coverage for medical, dental, disability, and accidental death and dismemberment on behalf of Nova Scotia Students. Every eligible student is automatically insured without deductible and at no cost to students, parents or guardians. This coverage applies during school hours, school activities and travel directly to and from school.

There is also a Gold Plan available for purchase which enhances basic

coverage for students 24/7/365. The cost of the plan per year is \$14.00 per student and \$35.00 if there are three or more students in a family. If you are interested in this Gold Plan, please contact the school for more information.

### Wilmot Guiding and Sparks

Registration will take place Sept 12 at 6 pm. Please call Eric at 902-765-8237.



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