

Be Your Best at HRVES!

THE HRVES HERALD

Welcome to the 2021-2022 School Year

Welcome to the 2021-2022 school year. It is so good to be back to school and see all of the children. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome our new Kindergarten Students and their families to the HRVES family. The staff and I are so excited to meet you. Once again we can hardly believe how much the children have grown over the summer. Just so you know, we have the greatest and best looking bunch of students in New Brunswick!

While I am sure we are all glad to be back in a routine...our routine has changed a bit here at school. We will be continuing to wash our hands more often, going outside for physical education more often, wearing face masks on the bus, when we get off the bus, in the hallway on our way to the washroom and on our way to music, physical education and the cafeteria. The water fountains continue to be turned on to fill water bottles only. Students will need to come to school each day with a clean water bottle filled with water and two clean masks each day.

At this point all of the doors will remain locked. If you need to drop your child off or pick them up during the day you will need to ring the doorbell and a staff member will meet you at the door. Appointments to discuss your child's needs can be made by calling the school at 832-6023. When you enter the building you will need to wear a mask, sanitize your hands at the door and go directly to the office. Please do not come to the school if you are not feeling well.

Students will be sent home if they have two or more symptoms of COVID-19. While they are waiting for you to pick them up they will be given a medical mask to wear and put into an isolation room. Of course, they will be supervised while they are there. Once again this year **we must be able to reach parents during the school day. If your child is ill they will need to be picked up within an hour of us contacting you.** It will be important that you have an alternate plan if you are unable to come and get your child.

Each month we will be sending out a newsletter from the office. You should also receive a newsletter from your child's teacher where they will share curriculum outcomes and other classroom information with you.

We are looking forward to a wonderful school year with your child/ren. If you have any concerns or questions, please contact your child's teacher. Keep in mind that during the day teachers are in classrooms and are not able to take phone calls. You will be asked to leave a message and your child's teacher will be in contact with you as soon as they are able. Happy September!

Mrs. Graham



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Classroom Teachers and Support Staff for 2021-2022

Kindergarten: Mrs. Nelson
Grade K/1: Mrs. Kalverboer Tayes
Grade 1: Ms. Mawhinney
Grade 2: Mrs. Curnew
Grade 2/3: Mrs. Saunders
Grade 3: Mr. Salgado
Grade 4: Mr. Snow
Grade 5: Mrs. Hooper
Grade 5: Mrs. Travis (M,W,Th, F) , Ms. LeBlanc (T)
ESS-Resource: Mrs. Richardson
ESS-Guidance: Mrs. Graham
Music: Mrs. Clark-Erb
Physical Education: Mrs. Laird,
Educational Assistants: Mrs. Arseneault, Ms. Campbell, Mrs. Garland, Ms. Hayward, Ms. S. Kilpatrick, Mrs. Lemieux, Mrs. Marchbank, Ms. McDonald, Mrs. Smith,
School Intervention Worker: Mrs. Head
Custodial Staff: Mrs. Pugh
Administrative Assistant: Mrs. Hope
Principal: Mrs. Graham
Vice Principal: Mrs. Saunders

Snacks and Lunches

Each class has a snack time either before or right after recess. Please send healthy snacks for your child at recess time. The teachers have asked me to relay the message that most students like 2 snacks at recess and need a snack to go with their sandwich at lunch. Many of our students get on the bus very early in the morning and are quite hungry by snack time.

Our water fountains have been turned off again this year. However, we have water bottle filling stations. **Each student will need to come to school with a clean, filled water bottle each day. Students will be able to fill their water bottles during the day. The water bottle and their lunch box MUST be labelled with their name so we don't get things mixed up.** Costco sells a million lunch boxes at this time of the year and they all look alike!

Please keep in mind that we are a nut free environment. Nutella is a nut product and therefore can not be brought to school. Also, we are not able to heat lunches for students.



PSSC stands for Parent School Support Committee. This committee is comprised of the school principal, a teacher representative, parents of students in our school and community members. The purpose of this committee is to work towards improving the school. This committee offers input in the School Improvement Plan, reviewing the School Report Card, and other discussions on Educational issues. The daily operation of the

school is the responsibility of the Principal. Members of the PSSC serve a three year term and must not be an employee at the school. PSSC meetings are held in September, November, January, March, and May.

Being part of this committee is your chance to contribute to our school and learn about our education system. If you are interested in joining or learning more about the

PSSC, please contact Mrs. Graham at 832-6023. Our first meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 21 at 6:30. All are welcome!



Bus Information

To access bussing information this year you will need to sign into Bus Planner. The link to bus planner can be found on the ASDS web page . You will need your child's student number to log on. This number can be found at the top of your child's report card from last year or you can call us here at the school and we will look it up for you. **Please note that bus routes and bus drivers may have changed. Your child may not have the same bus or driver as last year.**

All alternate bussing forms are to be filled out on line. We can not accept these forms at the school. **We will not be accepting notes/ calls from parents for their child to go on another bus or to be dropped off at another stop.**

All students are expected to ride and get

off the busses in an orderly and respectful manner. **Students are required to wear a mask while they are on the bus. All students will be given an assigned seat and are expected to sit in that seat. Please keep in mind that riding a bus is a privilege not a right.** The teachers and bus drivers will talk with the students about bus safety rules and good behaviour on the bus. More information on bus safety has been provided in our Student Handbook that can be found on our school web page. Please read the bus expectations and review them with your child. If your child is having issues on the bus, please speak to the bus driver as well as your child's teacher.



Walk Away
Ignore
Talk it Out
Seek Help



Information Forms-Emergency Plans

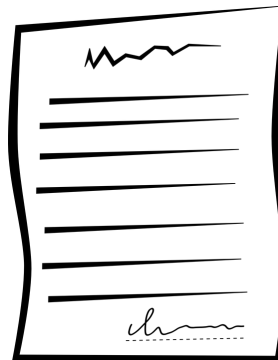
Please remember to return your child's updated information form that was sent home on their first day of school. All forms need to be returned by Friday, September 17. **It is very important that we have up to date information on your child. If during the school year you have a change of address or phone number, please contact us as soon as possible. Without up to date information we can not contact you if there is an emergency.**

If your child has any medical concerns or needs to take medication during the school day, it is necessary to complete an Essential Routine Services and Emergency Plan form/or an Extreme Allergy Management and Emergency Plan form. Please contact your child's teacher to obtain these forms.



Custody Arrangements

Discussing custody arrangements is difficult. However, it is **VERY IMPORTANT** that the school be made aware of any legal custody arrangements. We are obligated to release children to their natural parents if there is no legal custody arrangements. The school will need a copy of the legal documentation on file in order to enforce custody arrangements. Please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher or the school office if you need more information. Thank you for helping us keep your children safe.



Helpful
Responsible
Visionary
Enthusiastic
Safe

School Supply Fees

School fees are due by September 30. If you are unable to pay these fees by then, please contact the school and we can set up a payment schedule for you. School fees can be paid on-line on School Cash Online. This can be found on the right hand side of the HRVES web page.



Fire Drills/Lockdown and Evacuations

Our first Fire Drill will be on Tuesday, September 14. The students will be aware that the fire bell is going to ring and we will evacuate the building. We will be having 6 fire drills during the school year. Some of our fire drills will be spontaneous to keep us on our toes. We will also be having 2 lockdowns. During the lockdown the students will practice what they should do if there is a threat inside or outside of the building. Each class will have a designated spot to hide inside their classroom. Students will also be instructed on lockdown practices in the gym and cafeteria. The teachers always prepare the students for these events. If your child comes home talking about fire drill or lockdown procedures at school, please reassure them that we are practicing to keep everyone safe. Finally, we have been instructed to hold off on doing a practice evaluation until a later date.



Come Prepared!

Research has indicated that children that play outside are healthier. For this reason, students at Hammond River Valley Elementary School will be playing outside each day. Morning recess for all students will be from 10:00-10:20. Lunch recess for K-2 will be from 12:00-12:30 and for 3-5 from 12:30-1:00. The only time students will be inside at recess is if the temperature (with wind chill) is below -20 and if it is raining really hard. The decision for an inside recess is that of the school administration. Students should not come to school with an excuse to stay inside for recess. Having a cold or runny nose is not a valid reason to stay inside at recess time and this is the time when staff have their breaks. **You must send your child to school dressed appropriately to play outside.**

Hot Lunch Volunteers!

We are looking for volunteers for our Hot Lunch Program. Hot Lunch is served on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday if we have enough volunteers. Parents, grandparents and community members are welcome. This program involves preparing, serving and cleaning up after lunch. The time involved is one morning a week. You will have to complete a Policy 701 which we will provide for you. To be eligible to volunteer in the schools this year the Department of EECD has decided that you will need to be vaccinated for COVID 19. You will need to provide proof of vaccination before volunteering. Our hot lunch meeting will be held on Friday, September 17 at 12:45 in the cafeteria. You will need to sanitize your hands when you enter the building, sign in at the office, and wear a mask at all times. Thank you for your support of our Hot Lunch Program.

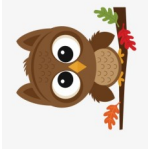


Congratulations!

Congratulations to Mrs. Laird who was awarded a \$1900.00 grant from Jump Start. These funds are used to purchase materials for physical education. Way to go Mrs. Laird!



September 2021



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4 
5	6	7 Staggered Entry	8 Staggered Entry	9 Staggered Entry	10 First day for all students	11
12	13	14 	15	16	17 Hot Lunch Meeting 12:45pm Cafeteria	18
19	20 Hot Lunch/ Pizza & Milk orders go home	21 PSSC Meeting 6:30pm	22 	23	24	25
26	27 Hot Lunch/ Pizza & Milk orders due	28	29	30	