



# St. Louis Elementary School Newsletter

## October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022



Dear families,

With Fall in full swing the days have become noticeably colder. Because our playground is not sheltered, there is almost always a cool breeze, even on sunny days. It would be great if students could come with a hat and mittens – even in their school bags as a “just in case”. Sweaters and/or jackets are also recommended at this point.

**Please update and sign the Public Schools Branch Student Information Sheet if you haven't already done so. These were in the package sent home on Sept 7<sup>th</sup>.** The fields for computer and internet access and **your current email address MUST be filled out.** Parents will be getting emails on a regular basis, so this information is required.

***Please register online for PEI's Healthy School Lunch Program*** which will provide all island students access to healthy and affordable lunches this school year. It's a pay-what-you-can model, up to a max of \$5.50 per meal. Nut free, gluten free and dairy free and vegetarian options will be available. To learn more and create your log-in for ordering go to [www.peischoolfood.ca](http://www.peischoolfood.ca) Once you register, they will send you a username and password.

### **Dates to Remember:**

#### **Oct 7<sup>th</sup>- There will be school**

Oct 7<sup>th</sup>- Run-A-Thon (Rain date Oct 6<sup>th</sup>)

Oct 10<sup>th</sup>- Thanksgiving (No School)

Oct 13<sup>th</sup>- Cross Country Zones

Oct 14<sup>th</sup>- Grade 6 Needles

Oct 14<sup>th</sup>- Earth Rangers Presentation: 1:30-2:30 pm

Oct 18<sup>th</sup>- Picture Day

Oct 21<sup>st</sup> - PD Day (No School)

Nov 3<sup>rd</sup>&4<sup>th</sup>- PEITF Convention (No Classes)

Nov 11<sup>th</sup>- Remembrance Day (No Classes)

Nov 25<sup>th</sup>- Parent & Teacher Interviews (No Classes)

### **Battery Blitz**

Starting on Monday, October 3, schools from across Prince Edward Island will participate in the Battery Blitz School Mission Contest. Participating schools will have until Tuesday, November 1, 2022 to collect as many used batteries as they can and bring them to their school. Three amazing Cash Grand Prizes are available for the 3 schools that bring in the most batteries by weight. 1st place - \$3,000, 2nd place - \$2,000 and 3rd place - \$1,000. Plus, any school that exceeds 750 kg will receive a bonus \$250 Visa gift card for a pizza party! For more details, please visit [www.earthrangers.com/batteryblitzschoolcontest](http://www.earthrangers.com/batteryblitzschoolcontest)

### **Reading Supports**

We are pleased to announce that St. Louis is one of the schools approved for extra support for our Grade 1-3 students. Melanie MacPhearson will be working with us for the next 6-8 weeks to help our Grade 1-3 students in reading and writing. Your child may mention that they are working in a small group with Melanie over the next several weeks completing reading or writing tasks. If you have questions or concerns, please reach out to your child's teacher or contact the school. We are looking forward to this learning opportunity for our students.

## Halloween

Students can dress up, but masks and weapon replicas are not allowed. We do go outside for recess/lunch if the weather is nice.

## Dental Clinic

### **Attention Parent/Guardian:**

The School Oral Health Preventative Program will be operating at **St. Louis Elementary school early October 2022.**

**Purpose of Dental Clinic:** Screen children to assess risk of oral disease; provide oral health education, topical fluoride, scaling/polishing and sealants, according to your child's individual needs.

**Screening:** All children will be seen for a two-minute screening to determine their risk of oral disease. If you do not wish your child to have this dental screening, please notify the school secretary or classroom teacher.

**Consent:** After the screening, all children will be given a consent form which will be necessary for you to complete and return before services are provided.

**Fees:** There is no cost involved as these preventative services are covered by the Provincial Dental Care Program.

**COVID-19 Considerations:** While receiving dental treatment it is not possible to maintain 2 meters (6 feet). In addition, there may be an elevated risk of contracting Covid-19 while in the dental setting. Please note that we will be using enhanced infection control protocols.

**Contact:** If you have any questions about the program, please contact the dental staff at the School 902-315-1017 or the Dental Public Health Clinic in Summerside at 902-888-8145.

**Further Information:** Please note that only preventative services will be provided, and the screening is not a substitute for an annual dental examination. It is strongly recommended that parents take their children to a dentist for regular examinations and treatment. The Provincial Dental Care Program assists with the cost of basic dental care delivered in private and public dental offices for all ages who meet the eligibility requirements. For more information, please visit <http://www.healthpei.ca/dentalhealth>

