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REGIONAL UPDATE

Monthly Newsletter of the Tri-County Regional Centre for Education



At the end of October, the Maple Grove Education Centre Robotics Team, along with Mr. Côté and Mr. Zelmer, visited Acadia University for the first Lego League introduction session. The students dove deep into discussions about sustainable oceans and tackling important issues that impact our marine ecosystems. With teamwork and creativity at the forefront, the group is ready to brainstorm innovative solutions and showcase their skills in upcoming competitions. Thank you to Acadia University for hosting the event and to all the teams for sharing their passion for robotics and environmental stewardship.

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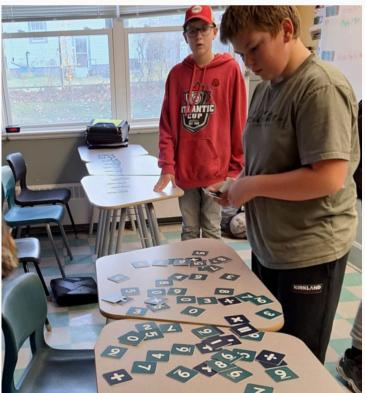
Spotlight on Schools





Check out this clean-up crew at Islands Consolidated School! An ambitious group of elementary students took it upon themselves to organize a clean up of candy wrappers. A few days after Halloween, these students collected buckets and bags full of wrappers. Great job keeping your playground tidy! (pictured above).

Hillcrest Academy recently celebrated Diwali, the Festival of Lights. Thank you to Priti for sharing her time and making the beautiful Rangoli designs (pictured left).





The Meadowfields Community School choir performs at the school's Remembrance Day Service (pictured above).

Lockeport Regional High School Math 7 students are exploring equivalent fractions (pictured left).









Each month, TCRCE staff are asked to nominate a colleague for Staff of the Month. The October theme was Climate and Culture and we are pleased to share the monthly winners:

Elementary Teacher - Leah Ware, Hillcrest Academy

Secondary Teacher - Nessim Hanna, Saint Mary's Bay Academy

Non-Teaching Staff - **Kayla Fells**, ANS Student Support Worker, Drumlin & Meadowfields



Take a Bow!

Congratulations to Lori Sigfridson, TCRCE's Active Healthy Living Consultant, on receiving the Dorothy G Walker Award of Merit.

This award is presented at the annual TAPHE (Teachers Association for Physical and Health Education) conference each October, to a teacher, supervisor, and/or administrator who has made a notable contribution to the development of physical and health education in the province of Nova Scotia.

Lori is pictured to the left, receiving her award. We couldn't think of someone more deserving!

Round of Applause!

We'd like to send a thank you to our operations staff who worked to transform many school kitchens throughout TCRCE in preparation for the school lunch program. Your hard work and dedication behind-the-scenes was very much appreciated by staff and students!

Pictured below is the group who worked on the kitchen at Lockeport Elementary School.



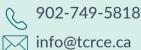




How to Contact TCRCE

School-Related Inquiries/Concerns?

- 1. The first point of contact should always be the child's teacher or Early Childhood Educator (ECE) for pre-primary children.
- 2. If the inquiry/concern is unresolved, families should always contact the school administration.
- 3. If the inquiry/concern is still unresolved, families are asked to contact TCRCE and will then be put in touch with the appropriate person.



General Inquiries

S 902-749-5696

contact@tcrce.ca

Transportation

Q 902-749-5663

bussing@tcrce.ca

Pre-Primary Program

902-749-5818

preprimary@tcrce.ca

School Closure/Weather

1-888-833-5287

weather@tcrce.ca





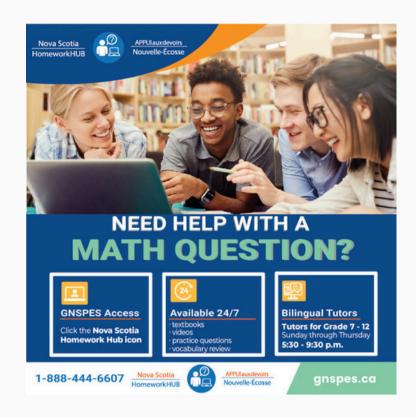


Homework Hub

Homework Hub offers free bilingual tutoring in mathematics for students in grades 4-12.

Tutors for grades 4-6 are available Monday - Wednesday from 5:30-7:30. Tutors for grades 7-12 are available Sunday - Thursday from 5:30-9:30.

To access, click on the Homework Hub icon from the GNSPES Launch Page. For more information please visit the Homework Hub website https://nshh.ednet.ns.ca/info.php.



Become a Casual Teacher Assistant

Interested in working as a Casual Teacher Assistant (TA)?

TCRCE is offering a FREE two (2) day training/workshop on working as a Casual Teacher Assistant (TA) in the Public School System for Interested persons.

DATES: January 21 & 22, 2025 – You must be available to attend both days. (Storm dates 23rd/24th)

LOCATIONS: Digby, Shelburne, & Yarmouth (inperson training)

TIME: 9am to 3pm each day (lunch will not be provided)

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS is prior to Friday, December 6, 2024 or once we have reached 30 participants, we will close the application. <u>Apply here.</u>





Storm Day Process

TCRCE takes great care when making the decision to alter the normal operations of schools and school busses in the event of severe or inclement weather.

We encourage you to check multiple sources for school closure info. Here are the ways we share the updates:

- Check our website www.tcrce.ca
- Local media (radio and TV stations)
- Our Facebook & X.
- Email & text alerts: messages are sent via email and text through our service provider to contact information we have on file. Opt-ins are required to receive text messages. If you haven't already done so and would like to sign up to receive texts from TCRCE, text "Y" (from a number on file with a school) to 978338. Please note, delivery times for text and email can vary based on service providers. It is not recommended to rely solely on receiving this notification. If you need to update your contact information, please contact your school directly.

