

Ecole Burton Ettinger Elementary

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Fall is in the air! We would like to thank our amazing families for all of your support as we have kicked off the new school year. Thank you for continuing to support our Covid protocols. Daily, we are reminded that our students are amazing. Our teachers have spent most of September working on routines, building relationships and establishing expectations.

In the month of September, we had our Terry Fox Run; we wore pink in recognition of Anti Bullying day and we also acknowledged Truth and Reconciliation Day by wearing orange. Our students looked spiffy for Picture Day on Oct 7th and 8th. Picture Retake Day is Nov 9th. We have had our first Fire drill, Lockdown and Hold and Secure drills. We practice these drills on a regular basis. Please talk to your child about safety protocols during these drills. We will be doing a second Fire drill this week. Our Grade 6 students are writing the Provincial Assessment for Reading, Writing and Math.

We hope our EBES families had a wonderful Thanksgiving Weekend. The staff at EBES have a lot to be thankful for and our amazing families are at the top of our list. At our school, our students are participating in fun and engaging learning opportunities both in and out of the building.

Please keep an eye on our twitter account (@BurtonEBES) and the website (bet@hrce.ca) to see all of the exciting things happening at our school, and what may be coming up next!

Ms. Foster

Important Dates

October 14

Provincial Assessment
Grade 6

October 15

Provincial Assessment
Grade 6

October 20

SAC Meeting 5:30

PTA Meeting 6:30

October 22

Conference Day-No School

Outdoor Clothing

Autumn has arrived, and the weather can be unpredictable. Please make sure to send appropriate outdoor clothing. Please label ALL clothing.

Safe Arrival: (902) 457-8926

If your child will not be at school, please call the safe arrival line before 8:30am to report that they will be absent. When you call, please state the date, your child's name, their teacher and reason for absence.

School Hours

Our school hours are 8:35am – 2:50pm. Students enter the building between 8:35 and 8:45. If you arrive after 8:45, please send your child to the main entrance on Sunnybrae or Central to check into the office. We ask all students to arrive by 8:50 as instruction begins promptly at 8:50.



More Important Information

Orange Shirt Day and Truth and Reconciliation

Some of our students have been sharing the Mi'kmaq Sacred Teachings with us on the announcements. We have had students singing the Mi'kmaq Honour Song over the PA as well. For more information and understanding of the Orange Shirt Day – Every Child Matters Campaign, please watch and share this short video from Phyllis Webstad:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=E3vUqr01kAk&t=1s

Visitors / Picking up Students

To limit the potential spread of COVID-19, our school is trying to limit the number of non-essential visitors, including parents/guardians, into the building. If you are coming to pick up your child for an appointment, please call the school in advance so we can bring your child to the office. Once you are here, please call the office from outside the main office window. Ms. Bodnarchuk will send your child out to meet you.

We ask you to please limit any drop offs to the school during the day. However, if necessary, please call the office and we will come to the doors to pick it up from you.

School Advisory Council

Our second School Advisory Council (SAC) meeting will be held on October 20th. The SAC is a provincially-mandated group that acts in an advisory capacity to the school principal. Our SAC is made up of administration, Teaching and Support Staff representatives, Parents/Guardians and Community Members. The SAC meets 6 times a year and discusses a variety of topics. We are currently looking for a community member for our SAC. A community member must not have any students attending EBES. Do you know anyone who might be interested? Please contact Ms. Foster at (tfoster@hrce.ca).

More Important Information

Daily COVID-19 Checklist

Thank you to everyone for following the Health guidelines for Back to School. Please continue to use the Daily COVID-19 Checklist every morning to make sure that your child is well enough to come to school. If your child is sick, please keep him/her/them home.

COVID-19 Daily Checklist

It is important to closely monitor your health and the health of those you care for. Please consider these questions each day before leaving home and entering public spaces.

If you are feeling sick, you should **stay home or go home immediately, and follow the instructions below.**

- 1 Are you feeling sick?**
If yes, stay home and avoid public spaces, including work, school/child care, and shopping.
- 2 Do you have any of these symptoms?**

Fever (i.e. chills, sweats) Cough or worsening of a previous cough Sore throat Headache Shortness of breath Muscle aches Sneezing

Nasal congestion/runny nose Hoarse voice Diarrhea Unusual fatigue Loss of sense of smell or taste Red, purple or blueish lesions (spots) on the feet, toes or fingers without clear cause

If yes, stay home and contact 811 to be screened for testing for COVID-19.
- 3 In the last 14 days, have you travelled outside Atlantic Canada?**
If yes, you must stay home. You are required by law to self-isolate for 14 days upon return to Atlantic Canada.
- 4 In the last 14 days, have you had close contact (within 2 metres / 6 feet) with someone confirmed to have COVID-19?**
If yes, you must stay home. You are required by law to self-isolate if you have been identified as a close contact of someone with COVID-19. If you haven't spoken with Public Health or been tested, you should contact 811 to be screened for testing for COVID-19.
- 5 Are you waiting for results from a COVID-19 test?**
If yes, stay home. You are required by law to self-isolate while awaiting COVID-19 test results. Please follow instructions given by Public Health.

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Lost and Found Clothing

We have a full box of lost and found clothing in our Bin, which is located right inside the Breezeway doors. None of the clothing is labelled. Please label ALL clothing and if you are missing something for your younger children, **please call Ms. Bodnarchuk** and she will let you in to the building to look. You must call the Office before entering the building. 902 497-8922. Thank you.

More Important Information

PTA Information

Happy October,

The PTA team from Burton Ettinger wants to welcome all the new families who have joined our school this year. We're already a month in and we want to remind you of a few ways you can get involved this year:

- Pizza Days have started again (did you know the profit from this goes directly to the PTA to fundraise for school events?) To help our volunteers while counting, please ensure all your information is filled out properly.
- Refundable Donation Program has started; bring your refundable bottles to Ross & Sons Recycling Depot at 171 Chain Lake Drive and consider donating your refund to the school – every bit counts!
- Next PTA meeting is Wednesday October 20th; we would love to have you in attendance. The more voices, and participation, the more ideas we can generate to have an amazing school year. Keep your eye on the ['Events' tab](#) in our Facebook group to know the time & location.

If you want to know more about PTA or wish to get involved, you can always email burtonettingerpta@gmail.com

PTA Cookbook

EBES Family! We are calling all Parents, guardians, staff and children to help us fill our very own 2021/22 EBES COOKBOOK!

Ideas of what we're looking for?

- Fast and Filling Breakfast Ideas
- Healthy Snacks
- Quick School Lunches
- Family Favourites
- Crock Pot Suppers
- Nut-Free Desserts

Before October 15th please type and send by email to: burtonettingerpta@gmail.com

Please include:

- Your name,
- Child's first name, and grade (if comfortable),
- Maybe a photo related to the recipe! Grandma cooking it in her kitchen, the finished results, let us see them! Hello

Student Work

Mme. Boudreau's Grade 4/5 Class



Mme. Spire's Grade 4 Class



Pre Primary Class



School Supplies

If you have not sent in your child's supply money, please send it in to your child's teacher in an envelope with their name on it. You can also use the online option. Thank you to all of those families who have paid.

Lunch Monitors

We are in need of lunch monitors. The hours are from 11:50-12:50. You don't have to work every day. We need substitute lunch monitors as well. If interested, call Ms. Bodnarchuk at 902 457-8922.

Pre Primary

If you need to pick up your PP child early, please make arrangements directly with your child's ECE teacher through email. If your PP child is late for school, please coordinate their entry directly with your PP teacher. Thank you.

Traffic

There is absolutely no stopping, no drop offs and no parking on Alex St. This street is for buses only, both in the am and pm. Please keep student safety at the top of mind.