



Feb 19-23 Week 2



FAMILY FORECAST

Safety. Kindness. Patience. Making Connections

Important Dates:

Feb 19: Heritage day (no school)

March 7: PTO Spring Bingo

March 11-15: March Break

March 18: Assessment & evaluation day - no classes

March 29: Good Friday - no classes

June 28: Last Day of School

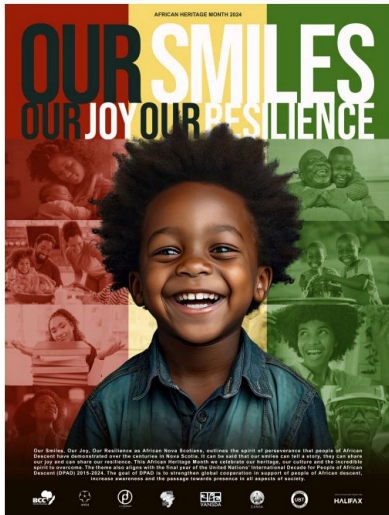
Hello JGES Families,

I am excited to announce that we have a new school counselor, Meghan MacPherson, that has recently joined our school. Mrs MacPherson will be with us 2.5 days a week. We are currently consulting our teachers to see what needs they are seeing in class and how we can support them with our new counsellor. Families can also self-refer by email at

Meghan.MacPherson@hrce.ca As part of African Heritage Month Guest Dr. Henry Bishop who doing a drumming workshop with our students. The upper grades will have an hour and the lower grades ½ hour with a final assembly the following week. It is called F.U.N. with Drumswith a focus on mindfulness, mental health & wellness and Therapeutic African Drumming for Children. We are excited to welcome Dr. Bishop back to Joseph Giles Elementary.

Just a reminder that there is no school on Monday! It is Heritage Day. This year NS is recognizing William Hall. “Who is William Hall?” was our AHM question on the day on Friday.

Have a safe and relaxing long weekend!



Welcome to our new school counsellor, Meghan MacPherson!

Reminders:

- Please don't turn around in the driveway. We are having 3-5 cars turn or back up into the driveway. This is a problem in the mornings. Friday morning I saw a vehicle back into a large pylon in the middle of the driveway. Our student's safety trumpets convenience.
- Please make sure that you send your students with proper winter gear. We are outside for 15 minutes in the morning, and 30-45 minutes at lunch. Snowpant and gloves are important
- Water bottles are important. We are giving out about 20-25 cups a day which is about 10% of our students. This adds up with cost and waste. Please make sure your child as a water bottle



February is Registration Month

Do you have a child who will be starting pre-primary or primary this fall? It's time to register! Registration for the 2024-25 school year begins on February 1. To ensure we have the right staff and supports in place for

Visit the [HRCE](#)

website <https://www.hrce.ca/registration> for more information and to enrol your child today through PowerSchool Enrollment!

Don't have a child to register?

Maybe you know someone who does! Please help us spread the word and pass this information on to friends, neighbours or relatives who will be looking to register for the fall.

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If your child was born between January 1 and December 31, 2020, they are eligible to begin school in September 2024!

Visit [HRCE.ca](https://www.hrce.ca) to register!

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Monday 19	Tuesday 20	Wednesday 21	Thursday 22	Friday Friday 23
Heritage Day	Subway day Dr Bishop: F.U.N with drums to ½ the school		Pizza day	Lunch lady day