

# ESM NEWS LETTER



## IMPORTANT DATES

- May 3<sup>rd</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> – At-Home-Learning
- May 6, 2021 – Virtual Primary Orientation 2:45 – 3:15 pm
- May 10<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> Fire Drill #5
- May 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> – Grade 3 Provincial Math & Literacy Assessments
- May 21<sup>st</sup> – PD Day P-12 – No classes
- May 24<sup>th</sup> – Victoria Day – No classes

Hello ESM Families!

We want you to know, first and foremost, that we miss your children dearly. As a staff, we are confident we will be back together soon! If any family or student requires support during this time, please do not hesitate to reach out as each and every one at ESM are always here for you and are happy to help!

With today's beautiful and warm weather, it is a clear indication that Spring is finally here! With that being said, we hope you enjoy reading ESM's May Newsletter.

Continue to stay Healthy and take good care.

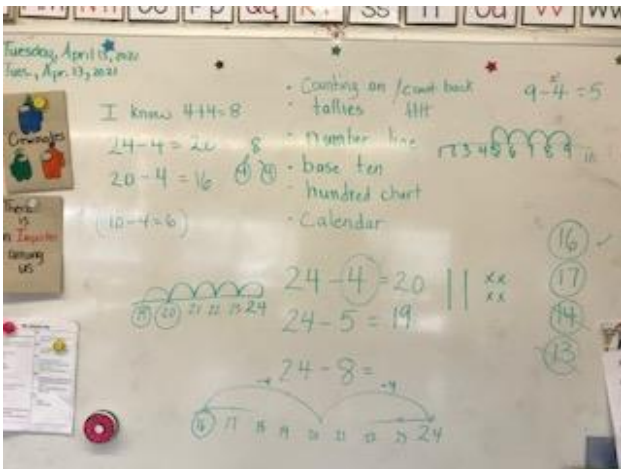
Kindest Regards, Shelley & Sissy,

ESM Administration Team



Amazing Things  
Happen Here!

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Our next **School Advisory Council Meeting** will be held virtually on May 25, 2021 at 3:15 pm to 3:45 pm

Please feel free to reach out to our ESM SAC Chair Ms. Emily Hubley at [hrc-sac-esm@gnspecs.ca](mailto:hrc-sac-esm@gnspecs.ca) or our SAC Co-Chair Mr. Chris Buckley at [chrisbuckley750@gmail.com](mailto:chrisbuckley750@gmail.com)

We will be having our PRACTICE # 5 Fire Drill throughout the week of May 10<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Just as we have prepared our students to properly respond to a Lockdown Drill, they also need to be aware of the proper response in the event of an actual fire emergency.



**Upcoming Virtual Primary  
Orientation  
2021-2022**

**May 6, 2021**

**2:45 pm to 3:15 pm**

**Mrs. Myra, Principal will  
send out a zoom link to our  
new families as the date  
gets closer.**

Please be assured our Classroom Teachers will review in advance, our Fire Drill procedures in order to avoid/reduce any undue anxiety. Our students are very precious to each of us and we want to do whatever we can to help protect them and teach them how to be safe.

If you have any questions or concerns, do not hesitate to contact me. Kindest Regards; Shelley

Our next **Home & School Association Meeting** will be held virtually on April 27, 2021 at 2:45 pm to 3:15 pm

Please feel free to reach out to our ESM H&S Chair Ms. Amber Golding at [amberdgolding@yahoo.ca](mailto:amberdgolding@yahoo.ca)



## COVID-19 Daily Checklist

Please consider these questions for yourself and those you care for each day before leaving home.

All Nova Scotians are strongly encouraged to seek COVID-19 testing even if they don't have symptoms, particularly if they have a large number of close contacts. To book a COVID-19 test, visit <https://covid-self-assessment.novascotia.ca/>. If you are unable to access the online tool, call 811. Stay informed. For the most recent information, changes and restrictions, visit [novascotia.ca/coronavirus](https://novascotia.ca/coronavirus).

**1** Are you feeling unwell or do you have new or worsening health symptoms?  
If yes, stay home or go home immediately and avoid public spaces including work, school/child care, and shopping. **It is strongly encouraged that you seek COVID-19 testing, even if you only have one mild symptom.** You are only required to self-isolate while awaiting your test result if you answer YES to question 2 or have been directed by Public Health.

**2** In the past 48 hours have you had, or are you currently experiencing:



Fever (i.e. chills/sweats) **OR** Cough (new or worsening)

**OR** two or more of the following symptoms (new or worsening):



If yes, book a COVID-19 test. **You are required to self-isolate until the result is available.**

**3** In the last 14 days, have you or anyone in your household returned from travel outside Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland and Labrador?  
If yes, and the travel is not essential, everyone in your home is required by law to self-isolate for 14 days. For more information on isolation and essential travel, visit <https://novascotia.ca/coronavirus/symptoms-and-testing/#self-isolate>.

**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 are required to self-isolate. If you haven't spoken with Public Health or been tested, you should complete the online assessment at <https://covid-self-assessment.novascotia.ca/> or contact 811.

**5** Have you tested positive for COVID-19?  
If yes, you are required to self-isolate. Please follow instructions given by Public Health.

As the warmer weather approaches, it is very important to ensure your child(ren) come to school each and every day with two (2) filled water bottles.



## Mask Reminder

Please remember to send your child(ren) to school with two (2) clean masks each day.