

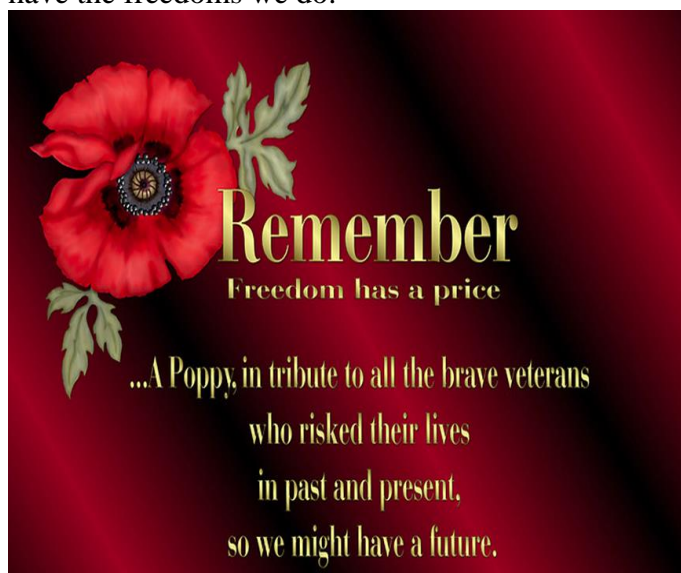
# Beechville-Lakeside-Timberlea Senior Elementary School November News 2020

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## Remembrance Day Ceremony

Although our time in school is very different this year, it is incredibly important for us to continue commemorating Remembrance Day. On November 10 our staff and students will be participating in classroom based activities related to remembering those who sacrificed, and continue to sacrifice, for us to have the freedoms we do.



## Cyberbullying/Bullying

The Nova Scotia Department of Education had previously created a task force and working group on the issue of cyberbullying and bullying. Our school does not tolerate bullying of any type and we work tirelessly to provide the safest environment for your children, that we possibly can. Please stay in contact with your child's teacher if you require assistance. If you would like more information you can consult [www.cyberbullying.novascotia.ca](http://www.cyberbullying.novascotia.ca).

## Holiday Concert

As mentioned in previous communication we are not permitted to conduct a holiday concert this year. We are hopeful restriction will ease in the New Year, allowing us to have a spring performance.

## School Twitter

For those who may have Twitter we would ask that you kindly follow our school's account for all kinds of information which may take place in Bear Country. @bltsenior

### **Paid Positions Available**

Our school is looking for more people to add to our substitute list as a paid lunch monitor position. If interested please contact the school and we will help make this possible. As well our system (and school) require Education Program Assistant (EPA) substitutes. Please contact Mrs. Butler, 902-876-3230 or [jbutler@hrce.ca](mailto:jbutler@hrce.ca), if interested in either position.

### **Outdoor Clothing**

Although the weather has been reasonable, we undoubtedly will experience cold autumn and eventually winter weather. Children should be dressing appropriately for the weather when they come to school each day. Having a touque and mittens in their book bags is a great idea. Remember to stay up to date for any weather, which may affect the school being open or needing to close early. CBC Radio, and C100 are great for the latest information. Please make sure the school has all of your latest contact information. You can also sign up for important texts from the HRCE by going to [www.hrce.ca](http://www.hrce.ca)

### **Homework Expectations**

Please be reminded that as a result of the Nova Scotia Dept. of Education and Early Childhood Development's Homework Policy all schools and in turn all students will be expected to complete homework. The homework will look different depending upon the grade level. Your child's teacher is always more than willing to support in any way.

### **First Term Report Cards**

Our first term report cards will be sent home on December 2. Provincially report cards are currently due to be delivered electronically, as they had during term 2 & 3 of our last school year. We will pass along information as it becomes available.

### **Parent-Teacher Interviews**

On December 3 our school will be conducting parent-teacher interviews. The interview times will be between 1:00-6:00 pm. Teachers will be involved with professional development during the morning of December 3. As we did last year our school will be purchasing an online program (OPTIS) in which parents sign up for an interview time on their own. Please stay tuned for more about this in the coming weeks. Due to our Public Health restrictions you should anticipate interviews will be through a telephone conversation.

### **Safe Arrival**

Mrs. Butler would like to thank everyone who has remembered to call our Safe Arrival line, 902-876-3240, when you know your child will be late or absent.

### **Pick Up/Drop Off**

As a reminder we are not permitted to have parents in our school. We ask that our gate at the back of the school or orange barriers, blocking our parking lot, be used as pick up and drop off points. There is no need for parents to accompany your child to our school doors, when dropping off. Additionally when needing to pick up your child please contact the school and we will deliver your child to you at your pick up point.

### **Breakfast Program**

Our school is excited to be in a position to expand our breakfast program. A huge thanks to the breakfast staff volunteers, lead by Ms. Quinn, for the hard work!

## **Important Dates**

November 10	Remembrance Day, activities in classes
November 11	Remembrance Day, no school
November 20	Assessment & Evaluation Day, no classes for students
December 2	Report cards sent home electronically
December 3	Professional development in the morning-, parent-teacher interviews in the afternoon and evening. <b>No classes for students all day</b>
December 22	Final day before Holiday Break
January 4	First day back after Holiday Break
February 15	Edward Francis Arab Day-no school
March Break	March 15-19 inclusive-no school

The full school year's HRCE calendar can be found by going to  
[https://www.hrce.ca/sites/default/files/hrsb/hrce\\_school\\_calendar\\_2020-21.pdf](https://www.hrce.ca/sites/default/files/hrsb/hrce_school_calendar_2020-21.pdf)