

March 2026

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Upcoming Events

March 6 th	Parent/Teacher Interviews - No Classes
March 9-13	Parkdale March Events (see page #3)
March 16-20	March Break - No Classes
March 27 th	Junior Honors Choir Rehearsal 9:30 am - 3 pm Final After School Basketball Practice
April 3 rd	Good Friday - No Classes
April 6 th	Easter Monday - No Classes
April 10 th	PD Day - No Classes
April 18 th	Honors Choir Performance @ Park Royal Church

Our Shining Stars from February

Aden Abraham Jimmy	Omar Abdirashid Ali
Luna Giri	Ahmed Abdullah
Helia Gjoni	Masa Alkrad
Abram Jijo Thomas	Goergia Coffin
Maranatha Neslson	Harper Costain
Jersii Arbing	Killian Evans
Mallory Cheverie	Kairi Green
Yonatan Hiwot	Kinsley Green
Sully McGrath	Thatcher MacArthur
Arianna Mighty	Emma Macinnis
Naundih Sidhu	Nova MacLaren
Kayden Tetteh	Evey Natividad
Kaiden Green	Aylish Paul
Colin Drake-Clark	Zlata Saiko
Thatcher Ellis	Brianna Silva Vargas
Louie Jamieson	Whitney Tetteh
Kobi Drake-Clark	Neo Thibodeau
Lily Champion	Gage Thomas
Caleb MacQuarrie	Gracie Dunn
Axle Thomas	Kameryn Hertz
Ali Razouk	Austin Paul
Brett Wedge	Ayon Shiju
Sylvanas Muirhead	Luke Warren
Elyas Alhasan	
Oday Al Ghafarji	
Gabriel McKenzie	
Ellie Hennessey	
Adam Al Barakat	
Shania Bambrick	
A.J Bain	
Alex Fleischhaker	
Logan Gillespie	
Pratyush Patel	
Sawyer Gough	
Ava Burke	
Kallie Younker	
Theo Buttery	
Archer Pascual	
Liam Ellis	

Thank You!

The staff of Parkdale would like to thank our Home and School and all Parkdale families who made each and every staff member feel extra special on Staff Appreciation Week!

We enjoyed all the treats, thoughtful notes, as well as Taco Lunch!



Report Cards

Report cards will be sent home with the students. Please make sure to check your child's kitbag. Please keep the report card, sign the brown envelope under this date and return it to your child's teacher so we know you received the report card and we can reuse the envelopes for the June report cards. Thank you!

Music News

Students who have joined the PEI Junior Honors Choir will be taking part in a rehearsal as well as a PEI Junior Honors Choir performance upcoming in April. Rehearsal - March 27th from 9:30 am - 3 pm at Park Royal Church.

Parents/Guardians are responsible for pick their child up.

Performance - Saturday April 18 at 1:30 at Park Royal Church

This month we have students in home rooms 5B and 6A starting their Ukulele Unit as well as home rooms 4A and 5A working on a recorder unit.

Island Rock Camp is back this summer and sign up and more information is on their website. <https://islandrockcamps.com/>



Our Hall of Fame Recipients:

Gage Thomas
Kinsley Green
Killian Evans
Masa Alkrad
Neo Thibodeau
Helia Gjoni
Eli Richard
Kaiden Green
Khaled Alkrad
Tristan Thornley
Ali Razouk
Hunter Doucette
Raven Pascuel
Alex Fleischhacker
Ben Zuccolo
Kameryn Hertz
Mason Gough
Suhaid Isaack Hassan
Landon Sampson
Theo Buttery
Lexi Bambrick
Thomas Ellis
Jozy Stone
Calvin Cheverie
Archer Pascual



Phys Ed News

After School Basketball:

- There will be no Friday after school basketball on **March 6th** and **13th**
- Final basketball practice will be Friday **March 27th**

Spring Volleyball - Stonepark

Stonepark will once again be offering a spring volleyball program for boys and girls in grade 6-8 beginning March 9th and running until May 4th. There will be no sessions over the March Break.

Girls will have sessions on Mondays 5-6:30 pm and Thursdays 5-6:30 pm.

Boys will go Mondays 6:30-8 pm and Wednesdays 5-6:30 pm

Students are to bring clean indoor sneakers, water bottle, and appropriate athletic wear. Use the side gym door facing Heather Avenue.

For more information email scottandjanet@eastlink.ca

Attendance

Please remember to let the office know if your child is not going to be in class for the day. This can either be done by calling the main office at 902-368-6945 or e-mailing Chelsea at casnow@edu.pe.ca

If your child's teacher has a substitute in, they do not have access to their e-mail accounts.

School Entry/Early Pick Up

The back door will remain locked during the day. All visitors must enter through the main door, if you need to come to the school.

Please do not go directly to your child's classroom or cubby. We ask you to please ring the doorbell on the right hand side and wait until you are buzzed in or a staff member greets you. Visitors are asked to sign in at the table at the top of the stairs.

If you are picking up a student early - please sign your child out on the table as soon as you come through the front door

2026-2027 Kindergarten Registration

It is soon time to register your Kindergarten student for the 2026-2027 school year!

Children must be **5 years old by December 31, 2026** in order to be eligible for Kindergarten. Parents are asked to register their child at his/her local elementary school during school hours or send all information via e-mail to Chelsea Snow, Administrative Assistant at casnow@edu.pe.ca.

The registration form is located at the below link:

<https://parkdale.edu.pe.ca/about/kindergarten-registration>

Parents are reminded to provide two pieces of information which verify proof of child's age and verification of home address to the school while registering (Birth certificate or PEI Health card & a bill such as a current utility bill which show address).

Welcome to Kindergarten sessions for incoming students and their parents will be held in the Spring of 2026. Parents will receive more information via e-mail address provided on their child's registration form.

Questions: You can contact Chelsea Snow at casnow@edu.pe.ca

Hot Lunch Programs

Our Parkdale Hot Lunch Program closes every **Sunday at 11 pm**. Please have all orders in at that time or your child will not receive lunch for the week.

PEI School Food Program closing dates this month are **February 5th** and **February 19th**.

Don't forget your utensils.

March Events at Parkdale



Monday-Friday: Golden Coins

Homeroom teachers will be given 3 plastic coins to hide each day that students will find and trade for a chocolate coin.

Timing, location, etc. at the discretion of the homeroom teacher

Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday: Jelly Bean Guessing for Easter Seals (.50/guess)

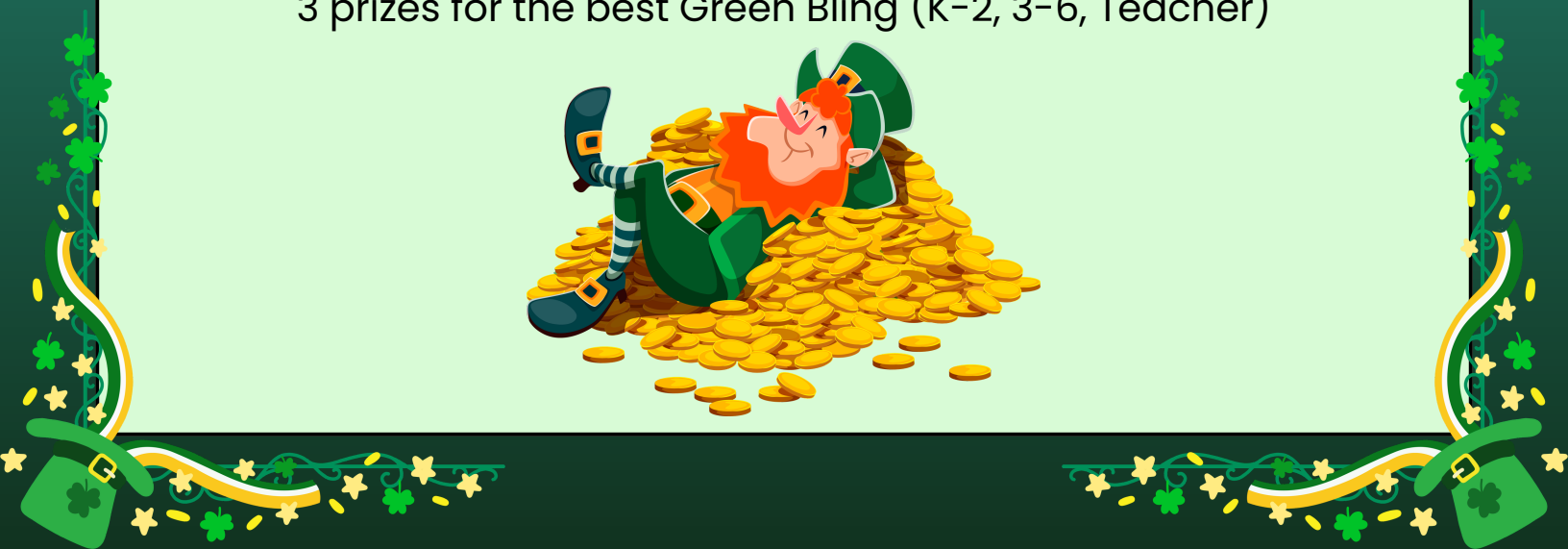
Guessing will happen during lunch in the main foyer
2 jars (K-2, 3-6)

Winners announced Thursday afternoon
All proceeds to Easter Seals

Friday: Bring your Green Bling

How green can you get? Dress in as much green as you can find.
The more fun, the better!

3 prizes for the best Green Bling (K-2, 3-6, Teacher)



Home and School News



🍏 AGM Registration is OPEN

PEI Home and School Federation 73rd AGM Theme: "Stop Bullying. Start Belonging."
Saturday, April 18, 2026, Rodd Charlottetown Hotel, 75 Kent St., Charlottetown
Keynote: Alain Pelletier, "5 Faces of Bullying"

Deep Dive Workshops: RCMP Child Exploitation Unit, Cst. Robert Yaschuk
"5 Faces of Bullying," Alain Pelletier

Food, Finance, and Fundamentals, Home & School Reps

Each Association may designate up to five of its attendees as voting delegates for this meeting. All parents and educators are welcome to attend and advocate for the education and well-being of our students.

REGISTER by April 1st

🍏 2026 Proposed Resolutions

Proposed resolutions are being circulated to Local Home and School presidents and executive members for discussion at your March Home and School meeting.

Action steps:

1. Review and discuss each resolution.
2. Hold a vote on each resolution.
3. Select your H&S voting delegates (2 or more individuals) and share the voting results with them so they can vote on behalf of your Home and School at the AGM on April 18th.

🍏 School Food Environment Policy – Virtual Info Session with Margaret Young

Would you like to learn more about the draft school food policy?

Margaret Young, School Food Project Coordinator, Education and Early Years, invites Home and School executive members to attend a virtual information session on the draft School Food Environment Policy.

Sessions are scheduled as follows:

Tuesday, March 3, 6 pm–7 pm (in English)
Wednesday, March 4, 6 pm–7 pm (in French)

🍏 Add the following discussion topics to your March meeting's agenda...

1. AGM 2026 Registration: Ask 2–5 parent and/or teacher reps to attend the AGM as your Voting Delegates. The AGM invitation is open to ALL parents and educators. Send as many as wish to attend, with the required designation of five as your voting representatives.
3. Home and Schools are urged to pay for your delegates' registration fee, travel, and offer to pay for a hotel room as an incentive to thank them for their time.
4. School Food Policy: Plan to attend the March 3rd virtual School Food Policy session with Margaret Young, Dept. Education and Early Years, to learn about and ask questions about the proposed policy.

🍏 Volunteer of the Year Award

This award recognizes one person annually for their efforts in their local school. Home and Schools can submit nominations to the Federation office by March 6. Find details: <https://peihsf.ca/awards/>

🍏 Nominate a Federation Director

The PEI Home and School Federation is overseen by a volunteer board elected by delegates at the AGM. Members are encouraged to nominate suitable candidates from within their Home and School, who, in your opinion, have the necessary qualifications to do the work of the provincial Federation. The 2026 Nomination Form is available at: <https://peihsf.ca/agn/>. Contact Shirley at 902-620-3186 for more information.

🍏 PSB School Trustee Reports:

Charlottetown, Zone 5 = As spring approaches, we would like to take this time to remind you that Public School Board meeting minutes and the schedule of meetings are available on the [Board of Trustees | Public Schools Branch](#) website. We encourage you to review these resources to stay informed about board discussions and decisions. In February, we had the pleasure of attending the Home and School Association meeting in Charlottetown Rural High School. These meetings provide Andrew and me with a valuable opportunity to connect with families, listen to parents' and school administrators' perspectives, and learn about the many creative ideas and initiatives taking place within our school communities. Please, do not hesitate to reach out if you would like us to attend an upcoming Zone 5 Home and School Association meeting at your school – we are happy to do so. Additionally, if you have any upcoming activities that you would like us to attend, we would be happy to participate and support your efforts.

Happy March Break to All!

Andrew (amacfarlane@edu.pe.ca) & Gaylene (gcarragher@edu.pe.ca)

Bluefield, Zone 4: It was lovely meeting members of the East Wiltshire Home and School Association in February. I'm looking forward to touching base with other Bluefield Family of Schools' Home and School Associations in the coming months. I enjoy learning more about each school and sharing information about the role of School Board Trustees and our activities to-date. I do welcome any questions or feedback!

Karen (klclare@edu.pe.ca)

🍏 Great Big Crunch!

Register [here](#) to participate in the Great Big Crunch (or **Munch**) anytime in February, March and April, and let us know how your students or team members are taking part. You can also join 1000s of students and school food supporters at the virtual Great Big Crunch, Thursday, March 26, 2026, 1:00 p.m. EDT. Register [here](#) for virtual event! Explore the [2026 Activity Toolkit](#) / View the [2026 Communications Guide](#)