



O'Leary Elementary

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Upcoming Events:

- May 15th – PJ Day
- May 18th – Victoria Day (No School)
- May 20th – Spring Concert Rehearsal
- May 21st – Spring Concert (1:00 pm)
- May 28th – Welcome to Kindergarten
- June 3rd – Home & School Meeting
- June 4th – Walk-a-Thon
- June 5th – Kindergarten Orientation
 - *No school for Kindergarten students*
- June 6th – Playground Fundraiser
- June 12th – Grade 6 Field Trip
- June 19th – K-6 End-of-Year Field Trip (Raindate is June 22nd)
- June 24th – Grade 6 Closing (4:30pm)
- June 25th – Last Day of School

Welcome:

April flew by at O'Leary Elementary.

We celebrated Administrative Assistant Day on April 22nd. We took time to acknowledge Wendy Hardy, our fantastic administrative assistant! Wendy is a support to all students and staff, and it is difficult to imagine this school without her. She is definitely the glue that holds everyone together!

The Easter Seals Ambassador visited our school on April 24th. It was great for students and staff to meet Rowan MacDonald and to hear his message.

As always, please call or email if you have any questions and/or comments.

Mr. Costello & Ms. Tanya



Nut Allergies

O'Leary Elementary is a **peanut-free school**. Foods containing peanuts or traces of peanuts are not permitted.

Multicultural Celebrations

We hosted multicultural celebrations during the week of May 4th – May 8th. During the week, we will be learning about cultures from around the world. Some of the events that we have planned are as follows:

- May 5th – Multicultural Stations
- May 6th – School Meal
- May 7th – Multicultural Performance

We recognize the importance of celebrating the many cultures represented within our school community. We want all students and staff to feel welcome in our school!

Walk-a-Thon

We will be holding our annual Walk-a-Thon on **Thursday, June 4th**. A **pledge sheet** will be sent home with students during the week of May 18th. All money raised will go towards student activities.

The class that raises the most funds will receive an ice cream treat.



Sports

Track and Field

- Zone meet on Friday, May 22nd.
- Provincials on Saturday, June 6th.

Girls Softball

- Zone tournament will be Wednesday, June 10th in Tignish.
- More information re: games and practices to follow.

Spring Concert

Our students have been working hard in preparation for our Spring Concert. We are happy to offer our students the opportunity to share their talents in front of family and friends.

Our Spring Concert will be Thursday, May 21st at 1:00pm. Doors will open at 12:30pm.



Free Milk Day

On Monday, June 1st all students will receive a FREE white milk as part of World Milk Day!

The PEI School Food Program will be available again this school year. Families can register online at www.peischoolfood.ca.

The school lunch program will be offering white milk (\$0.55) and chocolate milk (\$0.80) daily.

Students will also be able to order ice cream (\$1.00) each Thursday.

Pizza and Garlic Fingers are now part of our lunch menu at a cost of \$2.50 per slice.

Pizza – May 12th & May 26th

Garlic Finger – May 5th & May 19th

O'Leary Elementary Playground News

We have two exciting pieces of information to share:

- We will be selling tickets on a Spring Basket for our next fundraiser. Students will take home tickets and the student that sells the most will win a gift card!
- We will be hosting a Ford Drive for Your Community on Saturday, June 6th. This is a tremendous way to support our fundraising initiatives.

Please check out our Facebook group (**O'Leary Elementary Playground Fundraising**). Feel free to like and share. <https://www.facebook.com/share/g/1Hpz5Na6TB/?mibextid=wwXIf>

We will be having a Pajama Day on Friday, May 15th where all money raised will go towards our playground fund. All donations are greatly appreciated!

We will need volunteers throughout the year to assist in planning and fundraising. Many hands make light work.

Kindergarten News

We have the following news items to share in regard to our incoming Kindergarten students registered for 2026-2027.

Welcome to Kindergarten

We will be hosting our Welcome to Kindergarten evening on Thursday, May 28th. This event will be for our incoming Kindergarten students and their family.

Kindergarten Orientation

We will have our incoming Kindergarten students join us for the morning of June 5th.

- On this date, our current Kindergarten students will not have school.

If you know of anyone who hasn't registered their child(ren) for Kindergarten, it would be very much appreciated if you could advise them to do so as soon as possible.

Kindergarten Registration 2026-2027

Parents are asked to register their child(ren) for Kindergarten prior to or during the week of November 17-21, 2025.

- 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 the local elementary school during school hours. If you are unsure of your school zone, please call the Stratford Office at (902)368-6990 or Summerside Office at (902)888-8400 or toll-free at 1-800-280-7965.
- A registration form will be completed at the time of registration.
- Parents are reminded to bring a piece of Government issued ID verifying proof of child's age, such as a birth certificate, PEI health card or passport. Verification of home address must also be provided, such as a current utility bill.

PSB Trustee Update

Andrew Avery

As the 2025-2026 school year nears its end, I encourage all students and staff to maintain a good balance among study, rest, and physical activity. Westisle will be one of 6 PEI schools in the new Community Use of Schools pilot program beginning in 2026. I hope this will be a successful initiative and eventually be offered year-round at all Island schools.

At the PEI Home and School Federation's AGM on April 18, I expressed concern to Minister Croucher about the cancellation of the Imagination Library, which provides free monthly books to kids under 5. I was pleased to learn of the government's decision on April 21 to reinstate this program.

Special congratulations to Penny Newcombe, Ellerslie Elementary, who was recognized at the PEI Home and School Federation's AGM on April 18, as "Home and School Volunteer of the Year", thanking her for all her efforts and contributions.

Please feel free to contact me at andrewavery@edu.pe.ca

Book Draw Winners

Congratulations to our Book Draw winner for April:

- Cole Wagner

Check out the ticket at the bottom of the page to enter the May Book Draw.



Home & School

Our Home and School needs two volunteers for the positions **President** and **Vice-President** for the 2026-2027 school year.

In addition to these two roles, please consider joining Home and School as many hands make light work. You can decide when and how to contribute.

Home & School meets as a group once every month or two. The meeting is one-hour and we will discuss upcoming student events and look into what can be done to strengthen the connection between families and the school.

Please contact David Costello and/or Tanya Gaudet if you would like to put your name

Our next meeting is June 3rd at 6pm.

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Book Draw

Read with your child and complete the following ticket to be entered into a draw for a **FREE** book. Return this to your child's homeroom teacher by Friday, May 29th.

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Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Book Student Read: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_