



O'Leary Elementary



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Upcoming Events

Mar. 7th – Parent-Teacher Interview (afternoon/evening)
Mar. 8th – Parent-Teacher Interview (morning) – NO SCHOOL
Mar. 15th – School Skate
Mar. 22nd - Apr. 1st – March Break – NO SCHOOL
Apr. 2nd – Classes Resume

Administrator's Message

February flew by and it seems like March may be the same!

Staff have been busy with report cards and scheduling Parent-Teacher Interviews. Parent-Teacher Interviews are an important part of the school year. We hope that everyone can make it to their interview time. If you are unable to attend, please reach out to your child's teacher to reschedule.

We are planning our Winter Carnival for the week of March 18 – March 21. As details become finalized, we will share it with our school community.

As we approach the final three months of the school year, it is timely to share how impressed we are with our students and their growth. Whether it is behavior or academics, students have demonstrated their commitment to working towards their goals. One example of this commitment is how our Grade 6 leadership students have supported our younger students at the school skates. Staff have continuously shared what a great support this was for their classes.

As always, we encourage you to call or email with any questions and/or comments.

Mr. Costello & Mrs. Smallman

Nut Allergies

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

Bus Passes

The PSB is limiting bus passes this year. Bus passes can only be granted for primary child care situations.

School Skates

Our last school skate of the year at the O'Leary Cavendish Farms Arena will be Friday, March 15th.

Times:

- Kindergarten – Grade 3 students will skate each date from 12:30 – 1:30
- Grade 4 – Grade 6 students will skate each date from 1:30 – 2:30

Safety:

- Any student wanting to skate will need to have a helmet. This is a safety precaution for all students (regardless of skill level).

Canteen:

- Students will be taking home a canteen form early next week.

Skates and Helmets:

- If your child needs a pair of skates and/or a helmet, please let their teacher know. We have skates and helmets that we can provide.



Thank You

We want to express our appreciation to O'Leary Cavendish Farms Arena for their generosity and support in providing the school with an opportunity to have biweekly skates this year.

We also want to say thank you to Backwoods Breakaway for providing canteen services to our students. Their organization and support was noted by many!

Our school skates are a highlight for many students and staff, and this great experience would not be available had it not been for the generosity of both the Arena and Backwoods Breakaway. Thank you!



Badminton News

Badminton tryouts for Grade 5 and Grade 6 students have started this week. More information to follow.

Lunch Programs

The **PEI School Food Program** is available once again this school year. Families can register online at www.peischoolfood.ca.

The **school lunch program** will be offering white milk (\$0.50) and chocolate milk (\$0.80) daily. Students will also be able to order ice cream (\$1.00) each Thursday.

Pizza and Garlic Fingers

Pizza and garlic fingers have been added to our lunch menu at a cost of \$2.50 per slice. These will be offered every second week.

Pizza – **March 19th**

Garlic Finger – **April 9th**

O'Leary Elementary Home & School

Our next Home & School Meeting will be **Thursday, March 14th at 6:00.**

Families attending the meeting may bring their children for supervised activities in the school gym. Staff and volunteers are busy planning activities for children.

School Doors

We have a new system installed at the main entrance. All guests entering the school will need to buzz the office so that the door can be unlocked. This is becoming common practice across all PSB schools.

Guests will need to use this system between 9:00 and 2:15. Once in the school, all guests are asked to report to office.

Multiculturalism

We want to celebrate the diversity within our school community. As such, we are planning a celebration sometime in April.

We are looking for volunteers who would be willing to come into our school to share their culture with our school family. If you are willing to come in and speak with our students, please **fill in the slip below and return it to school with your child by Thursday, March 21st.**

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact David Costello at school.

June Dates

We want to share some upcoming dates so that you can add them into your calendar.

- Kindergarten Orientation – June 7th
- Grade 6 Field Trip – June 14th
- Shining Waters – June 21st (raindate is June 24th)
- Grade 6 Closing – June 25th @ 5:00
- Last Day of Classes – June 26th

More information regarding these events will be shared as the date approaches.

School Library

Students enjoy going to the school library and signing out books. As such, we would like to add books to our school library. We would like to ask for your support.

We are looking for donations of new or “like new” books for our school library. In particular, students love chapter books, graphic novels, non-fiction (sports, animals, automobiles, crafts, etc), and picture books.

Some examples of our most populare books are as follows:
Robert Munsch books
Diary of a Wimpy Kid
Babysitter’s Club
Amulet
Big Nate
Dog Man
Gerald & Piggie (Mo Willems)

Kindergarten Registration 2024-2025

Parents are asked to register their child(ren) for Kindergarten for the upcoming 2024-2025 school year.

- Children must be 5 years old by December 31, 2024, 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 veryifying proof of child’s age, such as a birth certificate, PEI health card or passport. Verification of home address must be provided, such as a current utility bill.

Book Draw Winners

Congratulations to our two Book Draw winners for the month of February:

- K-3 – Selena Gillis
- 4-6 – Ashlynn Mullen

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



School Website

The school website is a source of information for parents, guardians and community members. It can be accessed at <https://oleary.edu.pe.ca/>

2024 MARCH

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7 Parent-Teacher Interviews	8 Parent-Teacher Interviews	9
10	11	12	13	14 Home & School 6:00	15 School Skate	16
17	18	19	20	21	22 March Break	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
March Break						
31						

Multiculturalism Event

Please complete this form and return it to your child’s homeroom teacher by Thursday, March 21st.

Name: _____ Willing to Share: _____

Best Way to Contact You to Discuss Details: _____

Child’s Name: _____

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 Thursday, March 21st.

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

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

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