

VERNON RIVER CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL

Newsletter #9

Tuesday, January 6th, 2026

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David Wood, Principal

Lori Targett, Vice-Principal

Welcome Back:

We would like to welcome everyone back. We hope you all had a wonderful holiday season and wish all students and their families a Happy and Healthy New Year!



Music - Jacob Johnston
- Nicolas MacPherson

Band - Lily Hoffman
- Chevelle O'Brien

Phys. Ed. - Dylan Wilson

French - Kyaira Chappell
- Brooklyn Compton

Readers of the Month
- Ben Edgar
- Lyric O'Brien



Zone 4 Gymnastics Meet:

The zone 4 gymnastics meet will be held on Tuesday, January 20th at Montague Consolidated School (storm date – January 21st). Those students who are participating will receive a permission form from Ms. Adams.



Student of the Month

Awards for December:

Congratulations to the following students who received student of the month awards for December:

Aleida McLeod
June McQuillan
Hugh Drake
Laine Hakkers
Maggie Young
London Brown
Drew MacDonald
Lincoln Ansems
Davy Kuiper
Annabelle Beaudoin
Archer Leard
Charlotte Doughart
L.J. Wilken
Rowan Kelly
Jaynie MacKinnon
Kynlee McQuillan
Jayden MacDonald
Britt White
Brandon MacKenzie

Eldon Legion Remembrance Day Poster/Poem Contest:

Congratulations to the following students who were winners in the Eldon Legion Remembrance Day Poster/Poem Contest:

Lexie McGuigan
Rosie McQuillan
Nya MacLeod
Evelynn Somers
Ethan Macleod
Griffin Winegarden

Home and School Meeting:

The next Home and School meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 13th at 6:00pm. Child care will be provided.

From the PEI Home and School Federation - Home and School Newsletter, January 2026:

🍎 2026 Extra Mile Awards for Teachers/Staff

Local Home and School Associations can consider nominating a school teacher/staff person for going the "extra mile" for students. The Federation is accepting nominations until **Jan. 16**. Find criteria and application at: <https://peihsf.ca/extra-mile-award/>

🍎 Resolutions drive real change

Together, parents and educators in Home and School

help shape P.E.I.'s public education system through advocacy resolutions presented at the provincial Annual General Meeting. Resolutions serve as the single most important tool Home and School uses to influence change, with approved ones forwarded to the government requesting consideration of improvements that benefit all island students.

Key Impacts: Resolutions request collective action on pressing issues like inclusive education, anti-bullying, equity, and resource needs, uniting parent and teacher voices to foster policy shifts.

Guidelines: Identify issues through discussions with local parents and teachers, then follow guidelines and examples at www.peihsf.ca/resolutions for writing and presenting clear, actionable resolutions.

Deadline: The submission deadline is Jan. 31. If you need help, contact the Federation office at peihsf@gov.pe.ca / 902-620-3186.

President's Annual Reports 2025-26

Home and School Presidents are asked to submit their 2024-2025 annual reports to the Federation office by **Feb. 28**. Jeana MacIsaac, Office Assistant, will send last year's reports to each president in early January. All reports will be compiled in the Federation's Annual Book of Reports with copies distributed at the AGM and posted at <https://peihsf.ca/agm/>.

School Staff Appreciation Week, February 8-14

School Staff Appreciation Week is an opportunity for parents and students to recognize the dedication and hard work of school staff: teachers, administrative support, educational assistants, custodians and bus drivers. Set up a small committee to brainstorm ways the school

community can thank school staff. Keep plans simple!

AGM & Convention, Rodd Charlottetown Hotel

Our 73rd AGM will be held on **Saturday, April 18, 2026**. Ask parents and teachers to volunteer to attend and represent your local Home and School Association. Home & School Associations are urged to pay for delegates' expenses (i.e., registration fee, gas, and hotel room). Book your hotel room, call the Rodd Charlottetown hotel to book rooms.

Each local may send up to five voting members, but can sponsor as many as would like to attend. Registration details will be available in February, posted at: <http://peihsf.ca/agm>

Federation Board Nominations

Leading up to the AGM, the PEI Home and School Federation will be seeking nominations for the positions: President, Vice President, and Directors for Charlottetown Rural, Colonel Gray, Kinkora, Montague, and Morell families of schools; all are two-year term positions. <https://peihsf.ca/agm/>
Contact: peihsf@gov.pe.ca or 902-620-3186.

Messages from Public Schools Branch Trustees

Charlottetown, Zone 5:
Wishing all students, families, and staff a healthy and uplifting New Year. We extend our sincere appreciation for your continued dedication and support. As your Zone 5 Trustees, we remain steadfast in our commitment to collaboration, advocacy, and student success. We encourage you to join the next Public School Board Trustee Meeting either in-person at Stratford Town Hall on January 8th at 7:30 p.m. or online via website at Board Meetings and Minutes | Public Schools Branch. May the year ahead bring progress, connection, and possibility for our entire school community.
Andrew

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Bluefield, Zone 4: *Happy New Year, everyone! I'm Karen Clare, and I'm honoured to take on my Trustee role to listen, represent, and advocate for the Bluefield Family of Schools. I also look forward to connecting with our community as we support our students throughout the school year.* Karen (kclare@edu.pe.ca)

