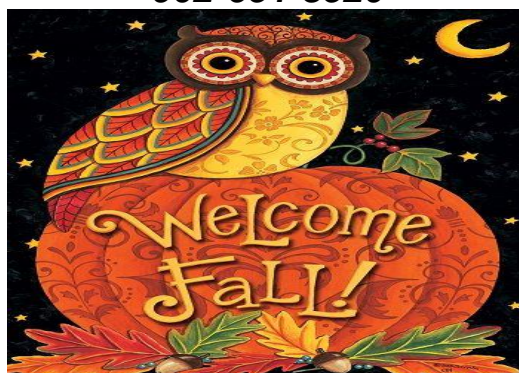


VERNON RIVER CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL  
Parent Newsletter #2  
Tuesday, September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024  
[www.gov.pe.ca/edu/vrcs](http://www.gov.pe.ca/edu/vrcs)  
902-651-8520



David Wood, Principal

Lori Targett, Vice-Principal



**Thank You:** Thank you to parents/guardians for returning forms so promptly at the beginning of the school year!

**Terry Fox Run:** Thank you to everyone who participated in the Terry Fox Run on Friday, September 20<sup>th</sup>. A total of \$265.35 was raised - thank you for your contribution!



**Orange Shirt Day:** Orange Shirt Day: *Every Child Matters*, is honoured annually on September 30<sup>th</sup>. This day raises awareness and honors the children of Residential Schools, their families and communities. Please consider participating in Orange Shirt Day this year at VRCS on Thursday, September 26<sup>th</sup>.

**School Pictures:** School pictures are scheduled for Friday, September 27<sup>th</sup> at 8:45am. On picture day students will bring home a personal QR code that can be scanned with your mobile device to instantly view your child's portrait gallery! Students will also receive a printed, photographic proof within 1-2 weeks of photo day, this will also have your child's QR code on it.



**Student of the Month Assembly:** Student of the month assembly for September will be held on Friday, September 27<sup>th</sup> at 2:15.

**Grade 6 HPV/Grade 9 Immunizations:** Immunizations for grade 6 and grade 9 students are scheduled for Friday, September 27<sup>th</sup> (morning).

**Large White Milk–Price Increase:** On September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024 we were informed by the PEI School Milk Program that due to the increasing costs of production, transportation and packaging materials, **the price of large white milk will be increased to 90 cents** (from 80 cents), effective immediately. In summary, milk prices are as follows:

Small White (237ml) - 55 cents	Small chocolate (237ml) - \$1.00
Large White (473ml) - 90 cents	Large chocolate (473ml) - \$1.50

**No Classes:** Parents are reminded there will be no classes on:

Monday, September 30 <sup>th</sup>	- National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
Monday, October 14 <sup>th</sup>	- Thanksgiving

**Zone 4 Cross Country Meet:** The Zone 4 cross country meet will be held on Thursday, October 10<sup>th</sup> at Southern Kings Consolidated School (rain date to be confirmed). Students participating will receive information/permission slip from Ms. Adams.

**Grade 9 Fundraisers:** The following fundraisers are scheduled in October, with proceeds going to the grade 9 end of year activities:

**Theme Days** - \$1.00 for each theme day, or whatever donation you can make would be greatly appreciated.

Monday, October 21 <sup>st</sup>	- Wear Orange and Black Day
Tuesday, October 22 <sup>nd</sup>	- Hat Day
Wednesday, October 23 <sup>rd</sup>	- Crazy Sock Day and Bake Sale (nut free)
Thursday, October 24 <sup>th</sup>	- PJ Day
Friday, October 25 <sup>th</sup>	- Spirit Day

Thank you for supporting the grade 9 class in their fundraising efforts!

**Lockdown – Thursday, September 26<sup>th</sup>:** In order for all students and staff to become familiar with the expectations during a lockdown, our school will practice emergency lockdown procedures/drills on a regular basis. During the lockdown exercise there will be signs posted on the entrance doors indicating that the school is in lockdown. The doors will be locked and no one will be permitted to enter or leave the school during the exercise. We will be holding a lockdown exercise at Vernon River Cons. School on **Thursday, September 26<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm.**

**Charlottetown Family of Schools Study - Upcoming Public Meetings:** We have been asked by the Public Schools Branch to include the following information in our newsletter.

Staff, Parents and Guardians, Stakeholder, Students:

In the Spring of 2024, the Public Schools Branch started a review process of all its 56 schools. This review focuses on school capacities and their ability to meet the needs of students within each family of schools. As a first step in this process, the Charlottetown Family of Schools was reviewed, and a report was presented to the Board of Trustees on July 30, 2024.

The Board of Trustees is now engaging with the Charlottetown school community and stakeholders to receive feedback on the recommendations contained in the report. To review the report, [visit the Public Schools Branch's website \(psb.edu.pe.ca\)](https://psb.edu.pe.ca).

Please share your feedback by emailing [psb-schoolreview@edu.pe.ca](mailto:psb-schoolreview@edu.pe.ca) using “*Charlottetown Family of Schools*” in the subject line.

You can also share your feedback by attending one of our upcoming public meetings.

- Tuesday, October 1, 2024, at 6:30pm: Spring Park Elementary
- Tuesday, October 8, 2024, at 6:30pm: Charlottetown Rural High
- Thursday, October 10, 2024, at 6:30pm: Birchwood Intermediate

If you are a community group and wish to request a separate meeting with the Board, reach out via the email address above.

I look forward to your engagement.

Regards,  
Heather Mullen  
Co-Chair  
PSB Board of Trustees

**After School Gymnastics:** The Island Gymnastics Academy is offering after school gymnastics at Vernon River Consolidated for boys and girls from Kindergarten to grade 6. Classes will commence Wednesday September 25<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm and run for a 10 week term ending November 27<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in learning more please follow the link below.

<https://app.amilia.com/store/en/IGA/shop/programs/107670>

Contact Nancy at: [igapreschool1981@gmail.com](mailto:igapreschool1981@gmail.com) for more information.