Shatford Newsletter- January 2023

**Dear Shatford Families,**

**Hoping you had an amazing start to 2023. I was so fortunate to return to school last week and rekindle my relationship with your child(ren). I was so excited and so thankful for all the support you gave Patty Hoskin in my absence. I would like to thank all of you especially the Home and School members for all the great events that happened in my absence.**

**As the weather turns, please ensure your child(ren) have proper snow gear. We play outside a great deal. We rarely stay inside. Snowpants, hat, warm mittens, boots, and winter jacket are imperative. Extra clothes packed in backpack for all ages are encouraged.**

**I’m looking forward to the months ahead. If you every have any questions or concerns please contact me directly at** **swile@hrce.ca** **or 902-857-4200.**

**Thank you in advance and all the best for an amazing 2023,**

**Sarah**

**Pizza Lunches-Optional**

We will be partnering with Savory Plate to provide cheese pizza slices at $3.50 a slice (gluten free option) on Wednesdays starting on January 18th. This is something we had done in the past before COVID. Of course, this is optional. We will ask parents to order in advance for the term. The exact dates are every Wednesday starting January 18th to the last day in term March 29th.

You will have to pay on **School Cash online.(See below**) HRCE is requesting that we no longer accept cash. If you have not signed up please read below. Our school does not make money off this endeavor. It is strictly a service for parents and students.

**School Cash Online**

HRCE is launching a new payment system that allows families to pay for student fees, fundraisers and other school expenses/items electronically. Effective immediately, ***SchoolCash Online*** will be our preferred method of payment.

Parents can register for SchoolCash Online even if your school does not yet have items to sell.  When items get posted, parents that are registered will be sent an email notification from the system advising that there is now an item available for purchase.

The URL to the site is: <https://hrce.schoolcashonline.com/> Check it out!

**February is Registration Month**

Parents will be registering online. Starting February first you will be able to go on the HRCE website and register new students to our school. In advance, please review the guidelines and documents needed on this website below.

<https://www.hrce.ca/node/38464>

If you live in the south shore school district please contact Sarah Wile at swile@hrce.ca before applying.It is a different process.

**Online School Clothing**

As a service to the school community, we do have an online clothing store. This store has different options to purchase t-shirts, hats, hoodies and mask ect. with Shatford’s Logo on it. Check it out...

**https://www.maritimepromotions.ca/collections/shatford-elementary**

**HRCE IS HIRING SUBSTITUTES**

HRCE has immediate openings for Substitute Teachers and hundreds of substitute assignments daily in our 135 schools.   Full-time hours are a possibility with many schools within a close commute.  The daily rate of pay for Substitute Teachers is $189.52.

The turnaround time from application to beginning work is very quick.

## Job postings are updated every Wednesday at 4:00 pm, so be sure to check on a regular basis.  View Postings at [www.myhrce.ca/jobs](http://www.myhrce.ca/jobs)

**HRCE IS ON instagram**

**We’re on Instagram!**

In an effort to reach as many people in our community as possible, HRCE is now on Instagram! Please follow us @HRCE\_NS for updates and stories of the incredible work happening in our schools.

If you’re sharing relevant content, please be sure to tag @HRCE\_NS so we can share it, too. If you know of a good news story within our schools that should be shared, please reach out to communications@hrce.ca.

**Inclement weather**

**Please ensure that we have the most current info and phone numbers in case of school closure. School closure info can be heard on radio, seen on website and when I hear I tweet it out. @memshatford.**

**Please review the following info on this site.**

<https://www.hrce.ca/weather>

Living Values

In September we started learning about Living Values (the common attributes of a kind , thoughtful human being. These are common across many different cultures. We started out learning about PEACE.

This month we will concentrate on Respect for Ourselves and Others.

Spirit Day

On January 27th we will have a Spirit Day at school. Students are encouraged to wear a T-shirt that has one of the colors in our school logo. Also, Ms Margo will be supervising the creation of mac and cheese which will be served at lunch for those students who would like to have some. (Gluten free /diary free options) Very excited to celebrate our students!