

RICHMOND EDUCATION CENTRE/ACADEMY

April NEWS 2024



Principal's Note

April is finally here!! Spring is in the air and things are busy at RECA. April is a very busy month because each group of students (grade 5 to 8 in the Education Centre and 9 to 12 in the Academy) will get report cards this month. April is also the month when we develop the timetable for the upcoming school year. Many thanks to students for completing their Course Request sheets, vital for our preparations for the 2024-2025 school year.

Please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions, concerns or suggestions.

Lisette MacDonald, Principal

IMPORTANT DATES:

April 2nd- Gr. 5-8 Report cards sent

April 4th- NO CLASSES gr. 5-8

Gr.5-8 Parent Teacher sessions

1-3 pm and 5-7 pm

Sign up sheets sent home
(Regular classes gr. 9-12)

April 18th- Gr. 9-12 report cards sent

April 25th- NO CLASSES Gr. 9-12

Gr. 9-12 Parent Teacher sessions

1-3pm and 5-7 pm

(regular classes gr. 5-8)

SAC Meeting 3:15pm April 18th 😊

African Heritage Month

March was African Heritage Month 😊
RECA students and staff spent time celebrating and sharing throughout the month.



Ms. Norman and her music committee offered a session on African drumming. Part of the session included students from gr. 5/6 reading facts and poems about famous African Canadians.



Graduation Update:

Safe Grad May 24th

Prom June 25th

Graduation June 26th



Ms. Charleen was so excited to see the beautiful display created by Ms. Sam Martell's Arts Visuels class.



One of our highlights was an inspirational talk given by Tyler Simmonds. His message to students was in support of positive mental health and mindfulness.

Intergenerational Connections

MS. DONNA MARTIN AND MS. RENEE MARTELL HAVE BEGUN A 3 PART EXERCISE IN CREATING INTERGENERATIONAL CONNECTIONS BETWEEN OUR GRADE 5/6 CLASS, OUR GR. 10 ENGLISH 02 CLASS AND RESIDENTS OF THE RICHMOND VILLA. STUDENTS MADE THEIR FIRST VISIT LAST WEEK AND WILL MAKE 2 MORE, AS THEY ENGAGE IN QUESTIONS AND STORY TELLING WITH THEIR ELDER VOLUNTEERS. STUDENTS WILL COMPILE INFORMATION AND STORIES

and create BOOKS WITH THE STORIES BEING SHARED.



NOVA SCOTIA INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM: BECOME A HOST FAMILY



Education and Early Childhood Development and the seven English language Regional Centres for Education. With over 1,000 full-time students, the NSISP is one of the largest international student programs in Canada.

The Strait Regional Centre for Education has hosted students from numerous countries in a variety of programs, including Short Term Programs, Teacher Internship Programs and academic semesters/full academic years at the junior high and senior high level.

Please contact Chris Penny for further information chris.penny@srce.ca

The Nova Scotia International Student Program (NSISP) is a joint venture between the provincial Department of



Guidance News

School guidance counsellors are people you can turn to when you need help. They are good listeners, and they want to help you get the most out of school. School guidance counsellors help students handle many problems: bullying, anger, anxiety, etc.

Anger is an emotion, and it is ok to be angry. Here are a few strategies to try when you are feeling angry:

- Take slow deep breaths
- Pop bubble wrap
- Squish playdough
- Wrap your arms around yourself and squeeze (Do turtle)
- Write a letter to someone

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- Do wall push-ups or jumping jacks
- Squeeze a stress ball

GRADE 9-12:

Tuesdays, we have Patti MacDonald-David, Nova Scotia Works School Liaison at school. She can meet with students regarding career planning. Let me know if you would like an appointment.

*Reminder of the Grades 9-12 Homework Hub - Mathematic online tutoring. It can be found be accessed through their gnspes Launch page.

Grade (11 & 12) CONTINUING THE APPLICATION PROCESS: If you need help applying for college or university, please reach out.

TRANSCRIPTS: A reminder that any students who need transcripts **MUST** order them in the Guidance Office as soon as they know they need them. We can email or fax them. However, it is the student's

responsibility to confirm that the institution received it.

SCHOLARSHIPS & BURSARIES: Graduating students should keep an eye on the RECA website (reca.srce.ca) located under the Guidance Tab, as well as the Google classroom. All opportunities sent to me are posted as they become available. It is your responsibility to apply by deadlines! Most universities have an entrance scholarship deadline in March, so please be aware of your application timeline.

As the school year progresses, please feel free to contact me by email: denise.chiasson@srce.ca .

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