

Englewood Home and School Newsletter

April 2025



Home & School Updates → At our two most recent Home & School meetings (March & April), we made a few decisions about funding upcoming events at Englewood:

- Proceeds from our coupon book fundraiser this year will be going towards the band trip. Historically we make between \$800-\$1000 with this fundraiser. The deadline to hand in coupon book orders is **May 1st!**
- Englewood students (Grades K-6) are going to see the school musical, “Matilda”, on Tuesday, April 22nd. The cost is \$10 per student; Home & School is covering this fee (~\$1400) so it is free for our students to attend.
- Grades 7-8 are headed on a Social Studies field trip to Port-La-Joye in May. The fee is \$12.25 per student and Home & School will be covering the entrance fee (~\$300).
- Our official opening for Pam’s Playground will be Friday, June 6th at 1:30pm. We have ordered two benches and a wheelchair accessible picnic table that will hopefully arrive before then (\$6,202.54, including shipping). We are still working on getting a path made from the playground to one of the entrances of the school, and getting the accessible Gaga Pit installed. Working with the Public Schools Branch is time consuming. Thank you for your patience!



Other Home & School updates:

- Mr. Tristan Fox finished up teaching Music with us this year and Mrs. Jessica Myers is back from her maternity leave. Thank you Mr. Fox and welcome back Mrs. Myers! Mr. Fox received a Thank You card and a \$50 gift card from the Home & School for his work with our students this year.
- Three members of our Home & School attended the PEI Home and School Federation Annual General Meeting on Apr. 12th in Charlottetown. After speaking with other Home & School representatives and attending several workshops we came away feeling pleased with the work our Home & School is accomplishing, and very grateful for our volunteers who dedicate their time and efforts towards our meetings, discussions, planning and events. We are very grateful to have such a wonderful working relationship with school administration and school staff. We are also happy to report that our Proposed Resolution titled, “Add Milk Products to the PEI School Food Program” passed with one minor amendment (the addition of milk alternatives). Having this resolution pass is the first step in streamlining the ordering process for milk in schools across PEI. We will update you when we hear any news about it. Thank you to Kyle Ferguson for his hard work putting the resolution together!
- The Municipality of Crapaud and the PEI Advisory Council on the Status of Women reached out to us to help create a community action plan to end gender-based violence. We have agreed to meet with them for a conversation on **Thursday, April 24th at 6:30pm in the library**. They said, “We will bring information about our project with the Rural Municipality of Crapaud, and some resources on gender-based violence prevention. Then we will have a conversation. Essentially, we want to hear from you - ideas, perspectives, etc. - about your community, and the assets and resources that you have to address violence prevention.” They have provided a generous honorarium to us for this meeting (\$500) so we would really appreciate your support with your presence!
- Our next meeting is Tuesday, May 13th. Only two left until the end of the year! We meet from 6:30-8pm in the school library. Hope to see you there!

Administrative Professionals Day → Wednesday April 23rd is Administrative Professionals’ Day! Join us in thanking Darlene in the Englewood front office for all of her hard work for our students and staff! 😊

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 **Cyberbullying Awareness Day / Online Harms Act**

A private member's bill brought forward by Souris-Elmira MLA, now education minister, Robin Croucher proclaimed April 25, 2025 as Cyberbullying Awareness Day, marking the anniversary of islander Harry Burke's death. Carl Burke, father of Harry, spoke about the Online Harms Act on April 12th at the PEI Home and Schools Federation's AGM. More info at www.peihsf.ca/agm

 **School Bus Driver Award**

[School Bus Driver of the Year Award](#) recognizes school bus drivers on P.E.I. for keeping our students safe as they travel to and from school daily. [Submit nominations by May 2, 2025.](#)

Other community news....

~**National Volunteer Week, April 13-19, 2025** is a time to celebrate and thank Canada's 24 million volunteers. The theme "Every Moment Matters" highlights the importance of every volunteer and each contribution they make at a moment when we need support more than ever. Let's recognize and celebrate every volunteer and each contribution they're making to strengthen inclusivity and wellbeing in our communities. Now more than ever, Every Moment Matters! #NVW2024 #EveryMomentMatters

~**Island Trails** is thrilled to introduce the **Island Trails Scholarship**, established in 2024 through the Community Foundation of PEI! This scholarship is designed to support the next generation of environmental stewards who are passionate about trails, conservation, and the great outdoors. Learn more and [Apply Here](#). Applications close on **April 18** — don't miss this opportunity!

Community Events

Soccer Skills & Drills → Central Region Sports & Recreation Council is hosting Soccer Skills & Drills Tuesday afternoons from May 6th-June 10th for FREE for Grades 4-6. This will run after school until 4pm. Please visit <https://forms.gle/LPFJitkBxU4wEJ597> to register or email gocentralpei@gmail.com for more information.

Art Club → Eptek Art & Culture Centre is hosting, "Let's Get Creative: Art Club" on Sunday afternoons from April 27th-June 15th for students aged 5-14.. Time is 12:30-1:45pm and the cost is \$155 per student (all art supplies included). Pre-registration is required, as attendance is limited. To register, please call the Eptek Centre at (902) 888-8373.

Please visit the Englewood Home & School Association Facebook group (QR code at the right) for more information on upcoming important dates, events and reminders!



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