



# NEWSLETTER

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## DATES TO REMEMBER!

February 12	Grade 8 Graduation Pictures
February 15	Valentine's Dance 6-8pm
February 19	Heritage Day—No School
March 8	Assessment Day—No School
March 11-15	Spring Break—No School
March 28	PD Day—No School
March 29	Good Friday—No School
April 1	Easter Monday—No School
April 8	Fluoride Treatment—Grades 5&6
April 9	Grade 7 Immunizations

Just a reminder to students to bring a water bottle to school.

### Principals' Message

As we welcome February, we are reminded of the swift passage of time, marking our progress well into the second term of the academic year. With March Break just around the corner, it's a period filled with anticipation and preparation for both students and staff. This month holds a special significance as we celebrate African Heritage Month, a time dedicated to acknowledging and appreciating the rich and vibrant culture, history, and significant contributions of African communities.

In the spirit of community and shared experiences, we organized a school-wide lunch, among other activities. Our Grammar School and Jr. High Hockey Teams had a great time showcasing their talents on the ice. We also had a great group of students represent Trenton Middle on the basketball courts!

Additionally, as we continue to enjoy the winter season and its unique opportunities for outdoor activities, we kindly remind all parents and guardians to ensure your child is dressed appropriately for the colder weather. We are committed to getting our students outside to enjoy the fresh air and engage in physical activities, which are vital for their well-being and development.

As always, please contact the school with any questions or concerns.

Shane Pitts, Principal



# African Heritage Month

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# Leadership Team serving Soup & Biscuits







Boys Jr. High Hockey Team



Girls Jr. High Hockey Team - combined with Frank H



GRAMMAR SCHOOL HOCKEY TEAM



A promotional poster for basketball clinics. The background is a close-up of an orange basketball on a wooden gym floor. The text is overlaid in white, bold, sans-serif font. Decorative elements include white geometric shapes: a series of four upward-pointing chevrons on the left, a series of four downward-pointing chevrons on the right, and a series of concentric circles in the bottom left corner. The text reads: "BASKETBALL CLINICS" at the top, "SATURDAY FEB 3 & 10" and "2:00-4:00PM" in the middle, "GRADES 5-8" and "FREE OF CHARGE" below that, and "TRENTON GYM" at the bottom. A small social media handle "@REALLYGREATSITE" is at the very bottom center.

**BASKETBALL  
CLINICS**

**SATURDAY FEB 3 & 10**  
**2:00-4:00PM**  
**GRADES 5-8**  
**FREE OF CHARGE**

**TRENTON GYM**

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## Winter Weather is Coming: Inclement Weather Process

Occasionally, weather conditions can impact school bus service and school operations—especially in the winter. When it is stormy or road conditions are poor, CCRCE Transportation Services staff will determine if we will maintain bus and school operations as usual, maintain bus services on paved roads only, or close schools. Separate cancellations and closures may occur for each of our four families of schools (Celtic, Chignecto, Cobequid and Nova).

### What to do if it is stormy or road conditions are poor:

- Check if your school is open and buses are running before you send your children to the bus stop or bring to them school. Set up text notifications by visiting [CCRCE.ca](http://CCRCE.ca) under Parents and click Inclement Weather. Click the link and add your cell phone number.
- Find out if buses are cancelled or if schools are closed by monitoring your local radio or television stations or check CCRCE's website: [www.ccrce.ca](http://www.ccrce.ca), Twitter feed (@CCRCE\_NS) and Facebook page: @CCRCE.CCRCE makes every effort to post information to our website/social media and contact local media by 6:30 a.m.
- We ask that parents, guardians and students avoid calling schools on storm days, whenever possible.

If there are cancellations within the region, the green “schools open” button on our website will be changed to red and will read “schools closed”. By clicking on this button you can access up-to-date information regarding closure and cancellation information.

## School Closures During the Day

CCRCE rarely cancels school mid-day due to weather or road conditions. However, there may be other factors, such as power outages, that may result in a school closing unexpectedly during the day.

For the rare occasion CCRCE closes school early, we recommend parents and guardians keep their contact information up-to-date with schools and have alternate arrangements in place for their children. Should a mid-day closure occur, parents/guardians will be notified either directly (in the case of elementary schools), via local media, our website and social media.

- Some schools may also choose to send an “Alert” email or text message to parents and guardians, announcing early dismissal.

Questions about the early dismissal pilot can be directed to school principals, CCRCE Student Transportation at 902-897-5561 or CCRCE's Operations Department at 902-897-8930.