



# LESLIE THOMAS JUNIOR HIGH

Home of the Lions

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## January 2024 – Grade 6 Information

### RWM6 Assessment Results – Before January 26

The **2023-2024 Nova Scotia Assessment (NSA): Reading, Writing, and Mathematics/Mathématiques in Grade 6 (RWM6)** took place in October 2023 and the Student Assessment Reports were sent to families earlier this week. You will receive them in the same manner as report cards. Our teachers are currently reviewing the results and will use these results to inform their practice.

### Grade 7 French Immersion Sessions

February is registration month, and this will include the registration for Grade 7 Late French Immersion. We have a parent session scheduled for the **evening of February 7<sup>th</sup> in our library.**

School Counselor Julie Zinck will be scheduling Grade 6 English class visits the week of January 22<sup>nd</sup> to discuss the Late French Immersion program and providing registration forms.

These registration forms must be returned by the end of February. All forms are to be returned as you must select to continue with the English Program or join the Late French Immersion Program. Further details will be provided as we approach these dates.

### Important weather reminders

Did you know? HRCE takes great care when making the decision to alter the regular operations of schools and school busses in the event of severe or inclement weather.

It is HRCE's goal to communicate any changes to the regular operations of schools and/or buses as close to 6:00 a.m. as possible. **A 6:00 a.m. announcement could be:**

- All schools are delayed in opening by two hours and bus pickups are delayed by two hours; or
- All schools are open, but some or all busses are not operating for the day; or
- Some schools (either individually or by family) are closed for the day; or
- All schools are closed for the day.

## Calendar of Events

**February is Registration Month** – More information to follow in future memos.

February 7 – Late French Immersion Parent Session.

February 19 – Heritage Day (No Classes)

February 22 – School Dance

March 11 – 15 – March Break

March 18 – Assessment and Evaluation Day (No Classes)

March 29 – Good Friday (No Classes)

April 1 – Easter Monday (No Classes)

April 3 – Report Cards Sent home.

April 4 – No Classes  
AM – Professional Learning  
PM – Parent / Teacher Meetings 1 – 3 PM and 5 – 7 PM

If weather deteriorates, or is forecasted to worsen throughout the morning, **an 11:00 a.m. announcement could be:**

- Bussed students will be picked up two hours earlier than their regular dismissal time; and
- Walking students will be dismissed at their regularly scheduled lunch hour.

#### How will I find out?

- By email to the addresses in PowerSchool
- By text message, **if you have opted-in**. If you aren't sure if you have opted-in, text Y to the following number: **978338**
- On our website [www.hrce.ca](http://www.hrce.ca)
- On X (formerly Twitter) at [Twitter.com/HRCE\\_NS](https://twitter.com/HRCE_NS)
- On Instagram at [www.instagram.com/hrce\\_ns/](https://www.instagram.com/hrce_ns/)

It's important to always have a plan in place for childcare in the event of any cancellation.

For more information on how HRCE manages during inclement weather, visit [www.hrce.ca/families/cancellations](http://www.hrce.ca/families/cancellations).

#### January 27 is Family Literacy Day

Family Literacy Day takes place each year on January 27 to raise awareness about the importance of reading and engaging in other literacy-related activities as a family.

This year's theme, in honour of Family Literacy Day's 25th anniversary, is let's have a party! Make food, sing songs, and play games. The possibilities for learning are endless.



#### Supports for Families

<https://beaconhousens.org/>

<https://www.freedomkitchensackville.com/>

#### Find food

Find a food bank or meal program. If you are in need of food for yourself or your family we can find the closest location near you.

[www.feednovascotia.ca](http://www.feednovascotia.ca)

#### Home | Freedom Kitchen | Lower Sackville, NS

Freedom Kitchen & Closet is an outreach program of Knox United Church Lower Sackville. We provide free meals

to those in need every Monday night. We also provide free clothing, toiletries, and other essentials for those in need.

[www.freedomkitchensackville.com](http://www.freedomkitchensackville.com)

## LTJH School Clothing

School Clothing can be found here: <https://lesliethomasjuniorhighschool.entripyshops.com/>

Entripy is the official online shopping portal for Leslie Thomas Junior High School. You can browse a wide selection of products from a variety of brands that you can then customize with the approved logos and graphics found on the site. Display your pride in fantastic apparel customized entirely by you. Entripy lets students, families, fans, & staff choose from approved merchandise to fit their needs 24/7 with no minimum order quantities.



**Homework Hub:** Homework Hub continues to be available to all Nova Scotian students from grades 4-12. The Homework Hub provides electronic textbooks, instructional videos, vocabulary review, practice questions, and live tutoring. Tutors at The Homework Hub are all Nova Scotia teachers. Please reassure students that while they interact with the tutor, it is through typing and/or speaking depending on their comfort level (this is not a video chat). Students can find the link on their GNSPES launch page. The EECD has produced web versions of promotional cards that can be shared on your website: NS [Homework Hub 4-6](#) and NS [Homework Hub 7-12](#). These cards are also attached. I encourage you to share these with your families.

The hours of operation for online tutoring via Homework Hub can be found below. We invite teachers to take a few moments to show students where to find it and share its benefits.

- Grades 4-6: Monday-Wednesday 5:30-6:30 pm
- Grades 7-12: Sunday-Thursday 5:30-9:30 pm



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**GNSPES Access**  
Click the Nova Scotia Homework Hub icon

**Available 24/7**  
textbooks  
videos  
practice questions  
vocabulary review

**Bilingual Tutors**  
Tutors for Grade 4 - 6  
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday  
5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

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Sunday through Thursday  
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1-888-444-6607 Nova Scotia Homework Hub APP/Accessoires Nouvelle-Ecosse gnspes.ca

## Lunch Monitors

We are looking for several lunch monitors for the upcoming school year. Lunch will be from 12:10 – 1:10. This is a paid position. If interested, please contact Principal Ferguson at [dferguson@hrce.ca](mailto:dferguson@hrce.ca).

All applicants will be required to provide a current Criminal Record Check and Child Abuse Registry Search.

