



# LESLIE THOMAS JUNIOR HIGH

Home of the Lions

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## MARCH 28 – Parent Teacher Booking Update

Dear LT Families, some of you may have received an email cancelling your booking. This will be for one of two reasons. First the evening bookings are from 5-7pm and have been communicated as such, however, in our online booking system, the times were from 6-8pm. Therefore, we had to cancel these bookings. The second is we had a few families book Katie Archibald for Grade 7 science and Katie Parsons is our Grade 7 Teacher. All errors are LTJH's and we apologize for the inconvenience.

Here is the original message:

### Parent Teacher Interviews

We are making a slight change to our Parent Teacher Meeting schedule to make it easier for families. Here are the changes:

The 1pm – 3pm session will be for **phone call meetings only.**

The 5pm – 7pm session will be for **in person meetings only.**

All Meetings are still booked through the online system:

Booking options are now available for families on our online system for Parent-Teacher Interviews. Please go to the following website to book your appointments:

<https://schoolinterviews.ca/code/ambhw>

Parent-Teacher Interviews will take place on Thursday April 4<sup>th</sup> 2024 from 1pm-3pm and 6pm-8pm.

**Please note** from 1-3pm will be phone appointments only and 6-8pm will be in-person appointments only.

## Calendar of Events

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

Once you have made an appointment you will receive a confirmation email from the online booking system.

If you have any questions, please contact the school office at 902-864-6785.

## LTJH Student Monitor Update

In February, I shared that we would be hiring two student monitors to provide extra support during the school day. Thanks to all who expressed an interest! These positions have been filled. One monitor started after March Break and the other position is waiting for the safety checks to be completed. In the meantime, one of our regular lunch monitors is filling in. As a reminder, student monitors are present throughout the day to provide supervision in the halls and in the school yard. These staff members sweep the school property to ensure the grounds are safe. We have built excellent relationships with the RCMP and are in regular communication with Beacon House.

Our highest priority is the safety and well-being of students and staff. We regularly remind students that if they see something that appears to be unsafe, to say something to a trusted adult. I also encourage you to have similar conversations with your children at home. We appreciate your continued support.

## Important calendar dates in April

Mark these important HRCE dates on your calendar!

APRIL <b>1</b>	<b>NO CLASSES</b> Easter Monday
APRIL <b>4</b>	<b>NO CLASSES</b> Parent/Guardian-Teacher Conferences Elementary & Junior High ONLY
APRIL <b>18</b>	<b>NO CLASSES</b> Parent/Guardian-Teacher Conferences High School ONLY

Visit [hrce.ca/calendars](https://hrce.ca/calendars) to view & download the 2023-24 calendar.

Here are a few key dates to note in HRCE's calendar for April:

- **April 1:** No classes for Easter Monday
- **April 4:** No classes for elementary and junior high students only for professional learning and parent/guardian-teacher conferences.
- **April 18:** No classes for high school students only for professional learning and parent/guardian-teacher conferences.

## Preparing for the Solar Eclipse



The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development is pleased to provide all students in Nova Scotia with eclipse glasses to view the upcoming solar eclipse safely.

A solar eclipse occurs when the moon passes between the Earth and the sun, obscuring the view of the sun from a section of the Earth. This event is extremely rare, with the next solar eclipse not occurring in the province until 2079. Nova Scotia will be just outside of the zone of totality for the solar eclipse; for this reason, it is important that individuals have appropriate protection to view this historic event.

The solar eclipse will begin at 3:27 p.m., reaching maximum coverage at 4:38 p.m., and ending at 5:44 p.m.

For more information, visit <https://thediscoverycentre.ca/solar-eclipse-solaire/>.

### 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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