

LESLIE THOMAS JUNIOR HIGH

Home of the Lions

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Administration Change for Next Year

As mentioned in the previous news update, I will be moving to another school next year. I am pleased to inform the LT community, that Gary Miller, will be LT's next principal.

Last School Dance

We will be having our next school dance on **Thursday, April 9 from 6:30 – 8:00** for our LT students. Doors will open at 6:30. A DJ with a light and sound system will be hosting the dance.

We are hoping for all families / students will take advantage of the advance purchase option and limit the 'pay at the door' option. <u>SchoolCash Online</u>.

Dance expectations:

- This is a school function, and all school rules will be followed.
- Students must be in attendance the day of the dance to attend the dance
- A canteen with snacks and drinks will be open for cash purchases. All food and drink will be consumed in the cafeteria.
- All outerwear, backpacks, and cell phones will be checked at the beginning of the dance and will be kept in a secure location.
- Once a student has arrived for the dance, they are expected to remain until 8:00.
- Accessible areas will be the main floor cafeteria, gymnasium, and main floor washrooms. All other areas and lockers will not be available.

The cost is \$8.

Calendar of Events

May 8 – SHS School Council Visits our Grade 8s

May 9 – School Dance 6:30 – 8:00

May 15 – Black Excellence Day

May 20 – Victoria Day – No Classes

RWM8 Provincial Assessments

Reading and Writing May 22 and 23 Math May 29 and 30

June 21 – Grade 8 Bowling Trip

June 24 Field Day

June 25 – End of Year Assembly

June 27 – Assessment and Evaluation Day – No Classes

June 28 – Last Day of School



LTJH Black Excellence Mural

In celebration of Black Excellence Day, our African Nova Scotian Student Support Worker Mrs. Parsons and HRCE Arts Specialist Stacey Allen have worked with our students of African and Caribbean descent to install the Mural pictured below. Centering the mural is the African Nova Scotian Flag. On either side of the flag are portraits of individuals the students selected to represent Black Excellence, including our very own Mrs. Parsons. Quentrel Provo "Mr. Stop the Violence' spoke to all our students earlier this year.

LTJH students and staff are part of this art installation. All members of the school community had an opportunity to sign the wall before the mural was painted. We thank our entire school community for being part of this art installation. A framed photograph of these signatures will become part of the final project.



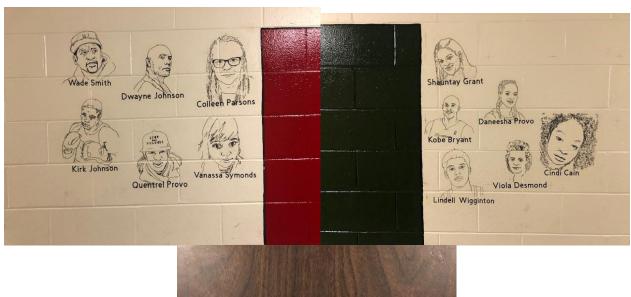




Figure 1: LT School Community Signatures



Here are a few key dates to note in HRCE's calendar for May and June:

- May 20: No classes for PP-12 for Victoria Day
- June 26: No classes for high school students only for assessment and evaluation
- June 27: No classes for PP-12 for assessment and evaluation
- June 28: Last day of school

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

