



THIS WEEK AT MADELINE SYMONDS Apr. 19 – Apr. 23, 2021

*Please read below the week’s events for more school-related info😊

This is: Week 1

<p>MONDAY April 19</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please remember to bring a mask and water bottle • Breakfast Program
<p>TUESDAY April 20</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please remember to bring a mask and water bottle • Breakfast Program
<p>WEDNESDAY April 21</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please remember to bring a mask and water bottle • Breakfast Program
<p>THURSDAY April 22</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please remember to bring a mask and water bottle • Breakfast Program
<p>FRIDAY April 23</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please remember to bring a mask and water bottle • Breakfast Program
<p style="text-align: center;">Upcoming Dates</p> <p style="text-align: center;">April 22 – Community Clean Up May 20 – Variety Show May 21 – PD Day May 24 – Victoria Day</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Please scroll down for more important information from the school and community.</p>	

From the Citizenship Class

- Congratulations to students of Ms. Clory and Mrs. Binder's 902 Citizenship class. All students in the class participated in The Teachers Credit Union Video Contest. They were asked to complete a video related to one of the following themes; the environment, sense of community, strength in diversity, inclusion, supporting local businesses/ connections to local communities and being an active citizen. All students did an excellent job on their videos. Three groups were chosen as winners amongst all the entries with a cash prize totalling \$2500.00 being awarded to their classroom. Links to each of the winning videos are below.

Callie Adams, Laurel Tattrie, Josie Brown, and Alyia Wilson won their video **Strength And Diversity.**

<https://youtu.be/w9YBaY8CNmU>

Harrison Fulthorpe won for his video title **Community Heart**

<https://youtu.be/ceP1mQk5py4>

Alyia Brunt, Gianna Baggio, Allison Garnett, and Emma Holland won for **Get the Hint Don't Leave a Print.**

<https://youtu.be/wnqEWRSiKWw>

School Garden

- The Learning Centre is looking for someone who may be able to come till our lump of soil. It is a relatively small area, but is proving very challenging for our students. Any assistance with this would be greatly appreciated. Please email vturner@hrce.ca

Earth Day – Community Clean up

- Grade 9 students will be participating in a community clean up around the school community on April 22nd from 9:10-11:10. This is taking place as part of the grade 9 citizenship curriculum, specifically service learning. Tim Hortons has graciously sponsored our event providing us with garbage bags, gloves as well as driving around the neighborhood collecting the garbage bags as we fill them. All grade 9 students will stay in their class groups and travel with their homeroom teachers throughout the neighborhood. If you would like further information on Earth Day you can visit earthday.ca

From the Community

- YMCA School Settlement has been working with Immigrant Migrant Women's association along with School Board representatives on their **Inclusive Education Forum for newcomer Parents**.

The forum is designed to support im/migrant mothers and female guardians by providing information on available resources and opportunities to ensure inclusion and to secure family social and economic well-being.

The IMWAH Inclusive Education Forum is a resource forum that aims to provide information on:

- 1.Nova Scotia Inclusive Education Policy (10:30am-1:00pm, April 10th, ZOOM)
- 2.School supports navigation (10:30am-1:00pm, May 15th, ZOOM)
- 3.Community support resources (10:30am-1:00pm, June 12th, ZOOM)

Though the first workshop has passed, please see the attached flyer if you are interested in registering for other workshops.

- We are excited to bring you the new Spring/Summer 2021 Community Health Team flyer including our IWK Parenting Programs!

Attached to this email you will find the **Spring/Summer 2021 flyer** which lists the many virtual programs available May-August 2021. All programs are offered through Zoom for Healthcare.

In addition, we have provided a **poster specifically highlighting the Parenting Programs**.

WELLNESS NAVIGATION via phone or Zoom for Healthcare

Navigation is available to residents of the greater Halifax area with a valid NS health card. Wellness navigation can help you identify what's getting in the way of your health, and connects you to available resources in your community and online. It is a free non-urgent service for individuals, families and youth offered by health professionals. Check out this [VIDEO](#) to find out more.

To speak to someone to see if a phone navigation is a good choice for you, call 902-460-4560 and choose option 1 for Bedford, 2 for Chebucto, 3 for Dartmouth or 4 for Halifax.

- See the attached poster from the Tantallon Public Library regarding upcoming Teen Nights.

From the Art Classroom

- **Pencils, pencils and more pencils. MANY students are coming to art unprepared. They will always need pencils**

*Those **grade 7 classes** who are doing **weaving** with yarn are encouraged to work on their pieces at home. They are not permitted to take the needles home but can take yarn from the art room.

I have also encouraged students to double the yarn so the work completes sooner. They have two classes left to dedicate to the works.

From the Office

- Students are reminded to properly wear their mask to school on the bus and at school. It is a good idea to keep a second mask in your book bag.

- **Parking at MSMS**

If you are dropping off or picking your son/daughter up at school, you are asked to use the loop at the staff parking side of the school.

The main loop in front of the school is where our school buses drop off in the morning and pick up in the afternoon. During the day, this area is used by students and staff. So, to protect students, we ask that parents/guardians not drive in the main loop area at all.

- **Math Support**

The following are links to opportunities for students to access supports for mathematics.

- The EECD Homework Hub is a valuable mathematics resource for students in **grades 7 to 12**. Students have access to live tutors on Sunday through Thursday, from 5:30 to 9:30 pm. These tutors are certified teachers, they tutor mathematics courses in both English and French. In addition to tutoring, students can access electronic textbooks, tutorial videos and practice problems. If you are interested, feel free to watch the following EECD video introduction to homework hub:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QnORoA5E7i4>.

- Support for grade 7 and 8

<https://courseware.cemc.uwaterloo.ca/27>

- Support for grade 9

<https://cemc.uwaterloo.ca/resources/courseware/curriculum-maps/NS-Grade9-Mathematics9-to-CEMC.pdf>

<https://www.nlesd.ca/programs/math9intresources.jsp>

- Parents and guardians are reminded that the school does not open for students until 7:50am when supervision begins. Please do not drop off students any earlier than that. This will be particularly important when the weather becomes colder.
- Parents, guardians and visitors who are coming to the school are reminded they must ring the door buzzer at the main entrance to the school. If you are picking up or dropping off a student, or dropping something off for them, this must be done through the main office. Please press the buzzer and someone will come assist you, but you are unable to enter the building. **This applies to all students, including those in our portables.**
- In an effort to ensure we have accurate and updated information for all our students, we ask that parents and guardians contact the main office if there are changes to home/cell phone numbers, home address, email address and health card expiry dates. Thank you in advance!

MSMS Clubs

- **Art Club** Art club will next meet on Friday, April 9 from 2:00 – 3:30. Please sign up outside of the cafeteria; there are a few spots left. Ms. Chandler can accommodate up to 15 students.
- **Space Club** (via google meet bi-weekly on Fridays after school) returns to MSMS! Students who are interested in participating can write to spaceclubmsms@gmail.com or contact Mr. Hare at share@hrce.ca for more information.

Student of the Month – March 2021

- Each month, teachers have an opportunity to recognize a student in each homeroom class as 'Student of the Month'. The criteria that teachers look at are: students who display leadership in demonstrating respect for self, others and the learning and environment. As well, they would have no office referrals and all work is up-to-date.

We would like to congratulate the following students recognized for this honour for the month of March.

601	Cate Gibbons	801	Lexie Cahill	901	Matthew Nickerson
602	Sophia McLeod	802	Jason King	902	Eric He
603	Carly Beaton	803	Kate McPhee	903	Evan Peddle
604	Rachel Brown	804	Rebecca Cuthbertson	904	Alysha Benoit
701	Fallon Chase	805	Loren Battilana	905	Sam Crawford
702	Eric Roberts	806	Reese Munroe	906	Max Lewis
703	Karrington Nelson	807	Katie Baillie	907	Ally Palmer

704 Ben MacDonald
705 Brooke Vardy
706 Paige McNally
707 Lilly Elnono
708 Nina O'Brien

808 Matthew Gough
809 Lauren MacDonald

908 Thomas Stewart
909 Roman Smith