

**“Hear Us Roar”
Ecole Tantallon
Senior Elementary
Newsletter**

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

I cannot believe that this is our final newsletter of the school year! TSES is an exceptional school and I am very honoured to be the principal of this great school and be part of your beautiful community.

It has been a busy and exciting year. To our grade six students who are moving on to Five Bridges Junior High School, you have made us proud with your dedication to learning and we know you will continue to work hard, try to do your best and have fun. To the families who are moving to a new community, we wish you the best of luck. To our new students and families who are becoming part of our school community next year, we extend to you a warm Tantallon Senior Elementary School welcome. On behalf of our staff, I wish everyone a safe, relaxing, fun-filled summer. We will be very excited to see the students back with us on September 7th, 2017.

We would like to congratulate Mme Robicheau on her retirement at the end of this school year. Mme Robicheau has been a dedicated teacher at Ecole Tantallon School. Many of our families have had a number of siblings learn and grow under her guidance. From all of us to you, Mme Robicheau – thank you. You will be greatly missed by our school community and we wish you all the best as you journey off to new adventures.

Unfortunately, we will be saying “good – bye” to some of our staff members at this time. Mme Mulholland, Mlle. Hickey, Mme Quinn, Ms. Hasler, Mrs. Noylander, Ms. Duncanson and Mrs. Keeping will be moving on as their positions were temporary at TSES, although the impressions they have left are monumental. We hope to see them back with us again in the future.

Volunteer Tea: All parents and guardians are cordially invited to our Volunteer Breakfast and Tea Appreciation Day on **Monday, June 12, 2017 from 8:30 – 10:30.** It is because of the dedication of our volunteers that the many extras are possible here at Tantallon Senior Elementary School. If you have volunteered in any way throughout the year by fundraising, serving on the TESPAs, SAC or Safe Arrival team, working in the Library, being a class parent helper, donating to classroom activities, going on a trip or helping out in any respect, please join us on June 12th. We truly appreciate your time and contributions. (Our parking lot will be very busy that time of the day with walkers, buses and drop off cars and the parking lot will not be open to parent parking for the Volunteer Tea).

Library Inventory: Our Library volunteers are preparing to do an inventory of all our Library books. Library books have to be returned next week (June 5th – 9th).

Spring Fling: **What an exciting day we all had on Saturday at our annual Spring Fling!** It was wonderful to see all the TES families coming out to celebrate and share this exceptional event. All the hard work, donations, dedication and hours of preparation made this a memorable day for all the students. They had a great time, as we all did! Thank you to the TESPAs executive, the organizing committee, the many volunteers, those that donated and all the students and their families who came out to support the Spring Fling!

End of the Year Activities: The teaching team at each grade level got together and planned a special event for the students either at school or off – site for the end of the year. We are looking forward to lots of learning and quality time together during this special time. The grade 3 students have a visiting artist coming in on three different days to teach the students a variety of projects. The grade 4 students took part in an activity filled day organized by a group of high school leaders from SJA. The grade 5 students are going to the Discovery Centre. The grade 6 students are off to the bowling alley and for a swim adventure. Mrs. MacDonald has planned two power hour days for the students with lots of great activities. The grade 6 students will be leaders on these days.

Moving: If you are planning to move during the summer, please let the office know (826-1200). It helps us with planning classes for the fall. It also gives us a chance to make contact with the new school.

Last Day: The last day of school for students is Friday, June 30th. Dismissal will be around 10:30 – 11:00 The school Calendar for 2017 - 2018 will soon be available on the HRSB web-site ([http:// www.hrsb.ns.ca](http://www.hrsb.ns.ca)). The first day of school for students for the 2017 – 2018 year is Thursday, September 7th, 2017.

Report Cards: Report cards will be distributed the last day, Friday, June 30th. If a child will not be attending the last day and you are unable to pick up the report card that day, please send a **large 9”x 12” self-addressed stamped envelope** to the classroom teacher and the report will be mailed that day. If anyone other than the parent/guardian is picking up the report card, please let the office know in writing. Report cards will not be issued prior to June 30th.

Class Lists: The class lists for September will be finalized after the late registration which is in August. They will be posted on the main doors at the front of the building on Wednesday, September 6th at 3:00pm. As we are not permitted to post students’ names, children will be identified by his / her provincial number which starts with 300..... and can be found on the child’s report card. Please, bring this number with you on September 6th. Although parents/guardians have access to PowerSchool, please, realize that classroom assignments for your child are not final until 3:00pm on September 6th, 2017 as we have to accommodate late registrations and students moving out of our school.

Supply Lists: Supply Lists for the next year will be sent home in your child’s report card.

Choir Auditions: The Cantatrice Ensemble Girls’ Honour Choir, a program of the HRSB’s All-City Music Department, will be holding auditions for new members beginning at 7 p.m. on the following dates: Monday, June 5 at Tantallon Senior Elementary; Monday, June 12 at Cavalier Drive School; Tuesday, June 13 at Georges P. Vanier School. Please book an audition time by contacting the director, Karen Newhook-MacDonald, at KNewhook-MacDonald@hrsbc.ca. The audition piece will be “O Canada”. Applicants must be in Grade 7-12 in September 2017. Please see the choir website <http://www.cantatrice.ca> or contact the director for further information.

Canadian Parents for French Nova Scotia: is launching another exciting summer camp season for students of all ages. There are four overnight camps and day camps for students covering a range of activities and French levels. For further information, visit ns.cpf.ca, or contact the Branch office for more information at 453-2048, toll free at 1-877-CPF-5233. To register, please visit: <http://ns.cpf.ca/activities/youth-activities/camps/> to download the application form for the camp of your choice.