Inverness Education Centre Academy



Semester 1 – November 2023

DATES TO REMEMBER

Nov 3 rd	Admin Day PP-Gr.8 – No Classes, Gr. 9-12 Regular Classes
Nov 8th	Picture Retakes
Nov 9th	Gr. 10-12, Health Career Workshop @ CBHA
Nov 10 th	Remembrance Day Assembly 10am
Nov 13 th	Remembrance Day Ovservance – No Classes
Nov 16th	Gr. 9-12 Report Cards
Nov 20th	Gr. P-8 Report Cards
Nov 21st	SAC Meeting @ 6pm
Nov 22 nd	First Aid Training for Career Development Gr. 10
Nov 23rd	In-service (am), Parent Teacher (pm), No Classes PP-12



Inverness Education Centre Academy will take time to honour, celebrate, and remember our Veterans' and all that they have sacrificed to provide us with our freedom on November 10th at 10am.

Indigo Love of Reading – Adopt a School

IECA was selected to participate in the Indigo Love for Reading Foundation's annual Adopt a School fundraiser. Last spring students made very creative bookmarks that the Sydney Indigo store presented to each person who donated to the book fundraiser. Every donation dollar raised in the Sydney store and online between October 10th – 31st goes directly to IECA to help fill our shelves with new and diverse books. Our school held a Pajama Day event and staff had a lunch fundraiser where \$645 was raised for this great opportunity. A huge thank you goes out to everyone that supported us!



SAC Updates November 2023

The School Advisory committee is made of parents, teachers, SRCE support staff, student council representatives and community members. The principal attends in an advisory capacity. Our purpose is to dispense funds given to us to support student achievements and wellbeing and to review new SRCE policies. We meet the third Tuesday of every month during school term. The next meeting is on November 21st at 6pm. The public is welcome to attend. Minutes from prior meetings are available on the IECA website.

At the October meeting we dispensed \$1500 for classroom books to support literacy goals, \$500 for sports jerseys and \$100 for a school community event, both to support student wellbeing through inclusion and belonging.

We have vacancies on the committee for 2 community members. These volunteers cannot be parents/guardians of a student at IECA or employed by the SRCE. Anyone interested should contact the IECA or attend the November 21st meeting.

Learning Centre – Breakfast Snack Preparations

A shout out to all who work in the Learning Centre. Lots of fun and great experiences happening as students help prepare food for our breakfast program.



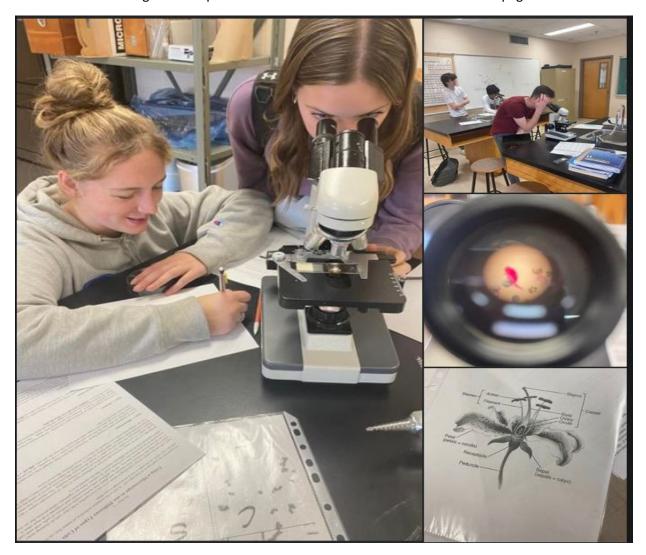
Grade 5's – Mental Math Techniques

The grade 5 class enjoyed a warm fall day outside practicing place value and mental math skills while getting fresh air and exercise!



Scientists In Action

Learning by doing is a more effective way to learn. Offering students opportunities to complete handson activities using microscopes shows them that science is not limited to the pages of textbooks.



MADD PRESENTATION

IECA welcomed MADD Canada to our school to discuss drug and alcohol awareness and risk reduction.



Skills Canada Nova Scotia Presentation

Chris Gallant from Skills Canada Nova Scotia made a presentation to grades 8, 10 and 11. He engaged students into thinking about future careers, future financials, and choosing careers that suit students' motivations!



Building Futures

Building Futures grad and Future NSCC student, Shamus Chranofsky, receives his certificate of accomplishment from Co-op Instructor Mr. Fraser. We are so proud of you, Shamus!



School Bus Safety

Our Grade 1 class practiced bus evacuation as part of bus safety week, with the help of Mr. Goosens and Ms. Ashley! The objective of a school bus evacuation is to get the children off the bus safely in the shortest possible time and in an orderly way. Remember, please do not drive distracted; watch for school crossing guards and obey their signals; and bus loops are for buses only.



House Team

A house event with pumpkin painting, crafts, and apple relay racing. A little bit for everyone!

Thanks to Mabou Gardens for helping us with the cost of the pumpkins!



HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS FOR YOUTH (HRY)

The Healthy Relationships for Youth (HRY) Program is a school-based, peer-facilitated, violence prevention program offered in partnership with schools in the SRCE. We are so proud to share that we had 22 student volunteers participate in HRY (Healthy Relationships for Youth) training, hosted by the Antigonish Women's Resource Centre staff.



REMINDERS

- Parents of Elementary students are encouraged to keep an extra set of clothers in their child(ren)s school bag in case they get wet during the school day. This eliminates the need for phone calls home for dry clothes.
- Please continue to be mindful of our Safe Arrival Policy for students from P-6. You should have your
 child excused by 9:15 AM if they aren't attending school each day. If the school is not notified and
 we are unable to reach a parent/guardian the RCMP will be contacted to ensure the safety of the
 student.
- Don't forget to visit our <u>school website</u> for the latest information. You can view the school calendar, newsletter, SAC minutes and even our Twitter feed. We also have a Facebook page called "InvEca", it is a private group so just ask to join.
- It is imperative that you have your child's travel arrangements made before they arrive at school. If there is a change of plans to your child's normal transportation or pick-up schedule, please be sure to write his/her teacher a note informing them of this. Calling or leaving emails at the main office to make these types of adjustments should only be in **emergency** situations. Also, any adjustments must be made **no later than 11:30 am**.

WE REMEMBER

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
	30 Day C	31 Day D	1 Day E Take Your Kids to Work Gr. 9	2 Day F	3 Day G Admin Day PP-8, No Classes	4	
5	6 Day H	7 DAY A	8 DAY B Picture Retakes	9 DAY C Gr. 10-12 Health Career Workshop @ CBHA	10 DAY D Remembrance Day Assembly 10am	11	
12	13 Remembrance Day Observance No Classes	14 Day E	15 DAY F	16 Day G Gr. 9-12 Report Cards	17 Day H	18	
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26	27 Day E	28 Day F	29 Day G	30 Day H			