AJ Families,

Please find below some information for our school community:

#### **Female Basketball Team**

Tryouts will be held on Monday, December 2nd and Wednesday, December 4th after school. The try out will end at 3:30pm.

#### Male Basketball Team

Tryouts will be held on Tuesday, December 3rd and Tuesday, December 10th after school. The try out will end at 3:30pm.

### Movie trip

Students will walk from school to the Cineplex movie theater at 760 Sackville Dr. We will be leaving around 8:45am to watch the new film *Sonic 3*. The movie will be from 10:00 am -12:00 pm. Once the movie is over students will leave the theater to walk back to the school for the remainder of the school day. The cost for students to go see the movie is going to be \$8. If your child would like a small popcorn and a small pop for the movie it will be a total of \$20. All funds for the movie and/or snack are to be paid online through the schools cash on our school website. Permission forms and payment are due no later than December 6th. Please reach out to the school if you require support with payment.

### Spirit week

Our student school leadership team is organizing a spirit week for the week before the holiday break (December 16-20th). The week before, announcements and posters will share the themes for each day.

### **Progress conferences**

In-person progress conferences had a great turn out last night and it was lovely to see so many families at the school! On December 5th from 1-3pm we will have progress conferences via telephone calls. The link to sign up for these sessions has been sent out.

# **Upcoming important HRCE dates**

Reminder of some important upcoming dates in the HRCE calendar.

There will be no school on December 5 as it is a Professional Learning Day for all grade levels.



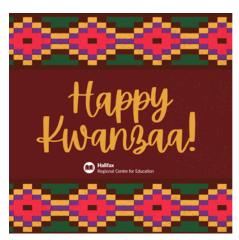
The last day of school for 2024 is December 20. The first day of school for students in the new year will be January 3.



# Happy Holidays!

To all who celebrate, we wish you a joyful holiday season! Happy Hanukkah, Merry Christmas and Blessed Kwanzaa!







### We're always hiring!

Did you know that HRCE has roughly 10,000 employees serving nearly 60,000 students? Our job postings are updated every Wednesday at noon and feature a wide variety of career opportunities!

As HRCE grows, so does our staff. Check out new opportunities weekly at www.myhrce.ca/jobs.



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## Important dates you may wish to recognize in December:

December 3: International Day of Persons with Disabilities

December 5: Professional Learning Day (no classes)

December 5 - Progress conferences/Professional Practice Day (no classes)

December 11 - Band concert

December 10: International Human Rights Day

December 20: Last day of school for 2024

December 25: Christmas Day

December 25: First day of Hanukkah

December 26: Kwanzaa

Please reach out with any questions or concerns.

Thank you,
Andrea Doucette
Principal, AJ Smeltzer