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Theme of the Month: Teamwork

At LMST, teamwork means working respectfully and effectively with others and doing your share. Throughout June, teachers will continue highlighting this important skill in classrooms and across our school community.

Welcome New Families

We were excited to welcome our newest students and families during our recent Primary Orientation events. It is always such a joy to meet our future students and give them a taste of "big school."

A special thank you to:

- Carly Buchwald (Home & School / Greenspace & Garden)
- Hideyo Kawashima and Zeeshan Sheikh (School Advisory Council)

for sharing information about these important parent and community groups.

🏠 Celebrating Our Grade 6 Students

As we welcome new students, we are also preparing to celebrate our Grade 6 students as they prepare for junior high school.

Grade 6 Closing Ceremony

June 26 at 1:15 p.m.

Families are warmly invited to attend the ceremony and reception.

Nova Scotia Loyal Farmers Market Vouchers

Nova Scotia Loyal school vouchers will be sent home this week labelled with your child's name. [!\[\]\(56549452e01ca28bdf2500ced9653143_img.jpg\) caregiver information sheet included](#)



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Staffing Updates for 2026–27

As we begin planning for the 2026–27 school year, we are currently in the staffing process for next September. This time of year often brings mixed emotions as we prepare to say goodbye to valued staff members while also welcoming new members to our school community.

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to our departing and retiring staff for the care, commitment, and dedication they have shown to our students, families, and school community over the years. Their impact on LMST will be deeply appreciated and remembered.

Retiring Staff

Please join us in congratulating and celebrating:

- ★ Janine Hagerman
- ★ Cheryl Corbin
- ★ Alison MacNeil

We wish them happiness, relaxation, and exciting new adventures in this next chapter.

Staff Changes

Leaving LMST

Macey Bethune

Emily Smith

Joining LMST

Mary Beth
Chisholm

Please note that staffing for the 2026–27 school year is still ongoing. We will continue to share staffing updates in our June wrap-up newsletter closer to the end of the school year.



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Honour Choir Auditions (Grades 4–6)

Do you love to sing? Students in Grades 4–6 who are interested in joining one of HRCE's Honour Choirs are invited to audition this June.

Halifax Boys Honour Choir

 June 11 or June 17

To sign up for auditions for the HRA choirs, please go to the following link and choose the preferred audition time

<https://schoolinterviews.ca/code/behsv>

Halifax Giubilo Honour Choir (Grades 4-6)

 June 10 or June 17

[Insert Giubilo audition sign-up link]

We encourage any student who enjoys singing to consider auditioning!

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School Advisory Council (SAC)

June 16 at 4:30 p.m.

All families are welcome to attend.



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Home & School

LMST Home & School supports:

- Fundraising for school enrichment
- Family events
- School spirit and community building

We are currently looking for volunteers and executive members for the 2026–27 school year.

Open Executive Positions

- Co-Chair (2)
- Secretary (2)
- Treasurer (1)
- Communications (1–2)

We especially need support with the Co-Chair and Communications roles.

No experience is necessary. Mentorship and role descriptions are available.

✉ homeschoollmst@gmail.com

Upcoming Home & School Events

June 16 – Home & School Meeting (6:00 p.m.)

June 25 – Free Popsicle & Ice Cream Social (6:00–7:00 p.m.)

Spring Clothing Orders



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Spring clothing orders are expected to arrive in early to mid-June. Stay tuned for updates.

Morris East Pizza Contest

Thank you to everyone who participated in our Morris East Pizza Contest. Be sure to check out the creative pizza designs on the LMST Home & School Facebook page.

Greenspace & Garden Updates

The LMST Greenspace Committee has once again applied for funding through the District 7 Participatory Budget.

Thanks to your support in previous years, we secured funding for basketball nets and playground improvements. This year, we are fundraising for a new playground project.

Support Our Greenspace & Playground

June 1 | 6:00–8:00 p.m.
Halifax Central Library – Lindsay Children's Room

Any District 7 resident, including youth, can vote.

Every vote counts!

Garden Week Success

Thank you to everyone who helped make Garden Week a success. Every student planted either a sunflower or nasturtium seed during the week of May 4.

Garden Cleanup Night

June 3 | 3:00–6:00 p.m.

Help prepare our garden beds and outdoor spaces for planting.

- Families welcome
- No gardening experience needed
- No tools required



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- Treats provided

School-Wide Planting Day June 5

All students will participate in planting activities and outdoor learning stations.

We need more than 20 volunteers to help make the day a success.

Volunteer sign-up: volunteersignup.org/KQEQQ

Questions?

✉ lizzie@mooreco.ca

Summer Watering Volunteers Needed

Help keep our school garden thriving over the summer.

No gardening experience is required. Instructions will be provided.

Sign up: volunteersignup.org/AA49X

Looking Ahead: Shrek JR!

We are excited to share updates about next year's Grades 4–6 musical program.

- All Grades 4–6 students will participate.
- Students in Grades 5 and 6 may audition for acting roles.

At a recent school assembly, we proudly revealed next year's production:

Shrek JR! We can't wait to bring this exciting **story to the stage and look forward to sharing more details in the fall.**

Tick Awareness

Nova Scotia Public Health reminds families to stay tick aware during the summer and fall months.



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Ticks can carry diseases such as Lyme disease and anaplasmosis and are commonly found in:

- Wooded areas
- Long grass
- Gardens
- Parks

For more information, visit: NovaScotia.ca/TickSafety

Important Dates

Track & Field Team Meets

- June 1 – Grade 6 Team Meet
- June 2 – Grade 5 Team Meet
- June 3 – Grade 4 Team Meet

June Events

- June 1 – Participatory vote at the Halifax Library 6-8 pm
- June 12 – Provincial Heritage Fair
- June 16 – SAC Meeting (4:30 p.m.)
- June 16 – Home & School Meeting (6:00 p.m.)
- June 23 – Field/Games Day (Grades 3–6)
- June 24 – Field/Games Day (Primary–2/3)
- June 25 – Free H & S Popsicle & Ice Cream Social (6:00–7:00 p.m.)
- June 26 – Grade 6 Closing Ceremony (1:15 p.m.)
- June 29 – Assessment & Evaluation Day (No school for students)
- June 30 – Last Day of School (Dismissal at 10:55 a.m.)



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