

## Great Village Elementary Notes

**By Linda Harrington**

Students went swimming at the RECC and to Debert for skating in January and February. The children enjoy these opportunities and they are well connected to the Health and Physical Education curriculum. There will be more swimming and skating trips in March.

February was African Heritage Month, and this was a great opportunity to highlight and learn about the contributions of people of African descent to our communities, country and the world.

Winter Carnival was held Feb. 10th to 13th. Feb. 10th - PJ Day, Hot Breakfast, and African Drumming with Goatworks; Feb. 11th - Sport Day & Swimming at the RECC; Feb. 12th - Mismatch & Crazy Hair Day, & Sock-Hop and Feb. 13th - Rainbow Day & School Valentine Exchange.

Family Math Night was held on Feb. 13th. Parents were invited to accompany their children to discover and engage in some of the interactive games and hands-on activities teachers have been using to help the students develop their understanding of concepts and practice necessary skills in Mathematics.

Mr. Campbell has been offering an instructional floor hockey program for students in Grades 1, 2, 3 and 4. The program is being offered every Monday afterschool from 2:00-3:15.

JANUARY CITIZENS OF THE WEEK: Jan 6-10: Gage Kinsman, Hailey Miller, Connor Spencer; Jan 13-17: Reigha Gabriel, Taylor Jollimore, Charlie Slack; Jan 20-24: Marley Gunn, Kyrié Morse, Brandon George and Jan 27-31: Wesley Langille, Sophiea Bigney, Kaylee Murphy.

If your child is going to be absent from school, please call the office by 8:00 am and indicate the reason for the absence. There is voicemail so call as early as you like.

Student supervision begins with the arrival of the first bus or 7:55 am.

Classrooms take turns each day with the student-sized shovels. A reminder whenever possible, students are outside for breaks and need hats, winter mitts and snow pants on

cold weather days. Winter pants are required for coasting and students should be prepared for the possibility of being outdoors for Phys. Ed. classes on Monday and Wednesday.

Unless there is a scheduled early closure of schools, contact is made with a parent/guardian before students are dismissed when school is cancelled unexpectedly for weather conditions. On these occasions, if you try to phone the school you may get the answering machine as the line will be busy with outgoing calls. Please keep the school informed of any changes in contact information for your child.

GVES is looking for two parent volunteers to join members of the staff and students on a new Health and Wellness Committee. The committee will develop a Healthy School Action Plan and oversee its implementation. The first meeting was held on Feb. 11th.

Students eligible to begin school in September 2020 (5 years old on or before Dec. 31, 2020) were invited to register for school on February 14th. If you know of a child who will be attending our school this fall, please have a parent contact the school as soon as possible.

The next Home & School meeting is scheduled for March 10th at 6:30 at the school. SAC meeting to follow. All parents are invited to attend.

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## Truro Junior A Bearcats

Home Games • Rath Eastlink Community Centre • Community Credit Union Arena, 7:00 pm

### Truro Jr.A Bearcats Upcoming Schedule

DATE	VISITORS	HOME	VENUE	TIME
Fri, Feb 28	Fredericton	Truro	-	Rath Eastlink Community Centre 7:00 pm
Sat, Feb 29	Yarmouth	Truro	-	Rath Eastlink Community Centre 7:00 pm
Wed, Mar 4	Valley	Truro	-	Rath Eastlink Community Centre 7:00 pm
Thu, Mar 5	Truro	Pictou County	-	Pictou County Wellness Centre 7:00 pm
Sat, Mar 7	Truro	Valley	-	Kings Mutual Century Centre 7:00 pm

### The Bearcats Weathered the Past Weeks Rather Well.

February 14, 15 and 16 proved to be a busy weekend. The boys from Truro came out of it with two wins and a solid outing in a loss.

On Friday the 14th, the visiting Grand Fall Rapids spent too much time in the Truro end. Too many Bearcat penalties didn't help.

Truro's goaltender kept the Bearcats (each should personally thank him) in the contest before a dramatic ending brought the crowd to its feet.

It's not a good policy to leave things to the last minute; however, the Bearcats did, and got away with it, along with the two points.

It was an important victory against a hard working team which thought they deserved more. The win set the stage for

Truro's 'game of the week'.

Second place was at stake in Saturday, the 15th tilt versus the Ramblers. Truro's response was quick and strong.

The Bearcats got the start they wanted, scoring early and often, scoring in each period enroute to the 5-1 win, and for the first time this season, is in second place.

The recipe for that win was a good one: secondary scoring, solid goaltending, and few penalties. It was a good plan.

There's little doubt the Bearcats went to Summerside with a limited amount of gas in the tank. They got the most out of it, in a losing cause.

The biggest thing they picked up was respect, from the second ranked team in the country. That effort should

serve them well down this stretch.

The results of games played Monday had the Bearcats go into February 19th's game against Pictou County tied in second spot. Like all teams in this hotly contested Division, winning is the only objective, not always the result. Pictou held on for a 3-2 victory.

Friday, the Cats headed to Bridgewater to face the South Shore Lumberjacks. They are big, strong and just as hungry as the Bearcats. First period action saw Truro jump to a 3 to 1 lead. A welcome start for the Truro boys. The second period saw some comeback from South Shore, scoring 2 against Truro's single tally. A blank third was fine for Truro, upsetting the home squad 4-3 for

the two points.

Saturday, the Bearcats headed into Yarmouth to square off against the Division's leading team. The comfortable lead they owned has narrowed. Truro spread three goals over three periods and held the Mariners to two in the second. Also with 1 power play goal, Truro showed the top ranked South Division leaders there are no easy games this late in the season.

This is the way a stretch run should unfold. Every game is a big game and the Standings can change on a dime.

For the fans, this is what they live for. Want to be part of it.

*Story by Gerry Hale, with additions from thembl.com*

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