



John J. Sark Memorial School Newsletter

March 2026 – Si'ko'ku's



Principal's Message

Wli Si'koku's! Happy March! We are all eagerly awaiting the arrival of spring (siwk) later this month. The weather is up and down, so send students with warm outdoor gear and a change of clothes, especially extra socks for those wet days!

Si'koku's comes with student assessments as teachers prepare to send home **report cards on Wednesday, March 5**. Students have made great progress this term! Everyone should be proud of all the learning that is happening in our classrooms!

This term, there will be **Student-Led Conferences!** **Your child will join you for the parent-teacher interview on March 6!** During the interview, you will meet with your child's teacher, and together you and your child will present the work they have been doing this past term. During your interview, childcare will be provided for JJSMS siblings while they wait. Students are excited to share their work with their parents! Teachers are sending home interview times in report card folders; please reach out if you don't get a time!

We are excited to have a group of students from JJSMS representing the school at the PEI Symphony Concert on Sunday, March 15. They will be collaborating with the cellist Cris Derksen and sharing the Ko'jua dance on the Confederation Center stage in Charlottetown!

March Break is the week of March 16 - 20. Enjoy time with friends and family. Si'koku is going to be a busy but quick month.

App Nmutes!

Christy Rossiter



Every Child Matters – Every Child Belongs – Every Child Can

Calendar of Upcoming Events

- Mar 4 - Report Cards home
- Mar 6- Student-Led Conferences
- Mar 16 -20 March Break (no school)
- March 24 - Home & School (noon, cafeteria)
- Mar 25 - Spring & Gr 6 Grad pictures
- Apr 3 - Good Friday (no school)
- Apr 6 - Easter Monday (no school)
- Apr 10 - PD Day (no classes)
- Apr - JJSMS Heritage Fair
- Apr 30 - Provincial Heritage Fair



March Birthdays
Si'ko'ku's Ajipuna'
Rosita, Paul, Treyden,
Mallory, Parker, Christy



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Pre K and KINDERGARTEN Registration

*It's time to register for
the 2026 - 2027
School Year!*

**Watch for the form
coming home or come
into the JJSMS office
to register!**

902-831-2777

JJSM SCHOOL STUDENT - LED CONFERENCES

MARCH 6, 2026

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interview on March 6!**

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Speech and Language Activity Suggestions

Spring is a season of growth, and it's a wonderful time to help children grow their communication skills too! As you notice signs of spring, try talking together about what you see, hear, and feel — birds chirping, melting snow, or puddles to splash in.

Simple conversations, reading together, and play are powerful ways to build language. When children hear new words and have chances to share their ideas, their confidence and communication continue to blossom.



JJSM Home & School Group



A Home and School Group is an opportunity to connect families and the school through conversations about what is happening at the school and upcoming events/learning activities. A way to support students' learning and growth within the larger school community.

March 24/26, 12 - 1 pm

Join us for lunch and conversation in the cafeteria!

Parents and guardians of JJSMS students are welcome to attend!

Sign up through the Story Park app to Christy, or call the JJSMS office by Mon. Mar 23/26

Mi'kmaq

Welcome March!

Sikoku's means forerunner of Siwk or spring. We have made it through the tekkek (cold outside) and kesik (winter). Now the nakuset (sun) will be stronger, warmer and shine for longer. As the wastew (sun on the ground) starts to melt, the snawey (sugar maple tree) start to run its sap. It is time to collect it, sismoqnapue'ken, to make sismoqnapu, syrup!

What a delicious treat our wksitqamuk (earth) gives us. In the middle of the month, we will be celebrating Pa'tliksite'wimk (Saint Patrick's day) and you might even get a visit from a leprechaun. Enjoy Sikoku's! Apnmultes!

Pjila'si – Welcome

Tekkek – cold outside

Nakuset – sun

Snawey – sugar maple tree

Sismoqnapu – sap/syrup

Pa'tliksite'wimk – Saint Patrick's Day

Sikoku's – March/forerunner of spring.

siwk – spring

kesik – winter

wastew – snow on the ground

sismoqnapue'ken – collecting sap

wksitqamuk – earth

Ap Nmultes – see you later.



Outdoor Adventures

