

Andover Elementary School Newsletter



May 2024

Dates to Remember:

May 3 – **No school for students** (NBTA Council Day)

May 7 – National Child & Youth Mental Health Day

May 8 – Earth Rangers Assembly

May 9 – Grade 5 transition activity at PAMS

May 13 – **No school for students** (NBTA AGM)

May 13 – 28 – Grade 4 & 5 Provincial Assessments

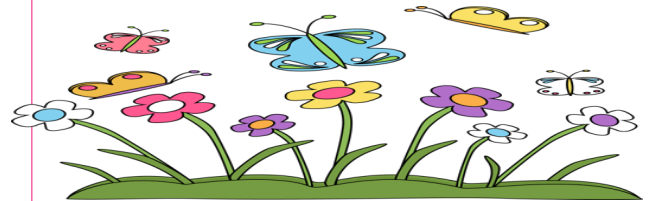
May 20 – **Victoria Day (no school)**

May 23 – Track & Field Day for grades 3 - 5

May 23 – Welcome to “K” Day

The Scholastic book fair was a wonderful success thanks to all the parents and students who supported the school and Val Gaunce, Carol Godbout and Mrs. Drost who organized and helped out with the sales.

Lots of great books found their way into classrooms. Thank you so much to everyone for your generous support and sharing in our love of books and reading.



Congratulations to the winners of the **Books for Bikes** Reading Campaign sponsored by the Masonic Lodge, Perth-Andover. Excited new owners of bikes and helmets are: Hazel Smith and Jace Young from grade 4 & Renesme Ridgeley and Chaz Kilcollins from grade 5.

Thanks to all the grade 4's & 5's who participated by reading lots of books this past month and an extra special THANK YOU to the Masonic Lodge for this kind and generous opportunity for our students!



A system of positive behavior intervention supports will help students learn to manage their behaviors by teaching skills. For example, if a student struggles with managing frustration and lashes out, we try to teach them strategies such as taking a break, deep breathing, counting to 10, teaching coping skills. If a student is struggling with staying organized, some interventions that support them could be providing a visual schedule, breaking down assignments into chunks, or providing them materials that will help them organize their belongings.

By providing strategies to manage behaviors while they are still “small”, we help students develop lifelong skills that will help them succeed.