Basinview Drive Community School

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- Nova Scotia Health Card or Canadian Province Health Card or, for non-citizens while in Canada.



Important Dates

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February 26

SAC Meeting

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Parent Reading Day

March 11

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March 18

Assessment/Evaluation Day

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Students Return to School

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• <u>https://www.un.org/en/observances/decade-people-african-descent</u>

With more than 50 historic African Nova Scotian communities, we want to ensure that we will be focusing our learning about our African Heritage and Black History, as it is Nova Scotian history.

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Student Safety

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The ability to provide opportunities like these for our students and families is based on the number of volunteers available to organize and run them. If you are looking for fun, diverse and engaging events/opportunities for our students and our community, please think about joining us at our next PTP meeting – April 9th, or contact our PTP Co-Chairs – Kyla Burry – <u>kylaburry@gmail.com</u> or Tabitha Wadden – t_wadden@hotmail.com

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