



NEW SAREPTA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Principal

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MR. ROBERT FROLAND



Warm regards and welcome back. It is a great privilege to be joining the wonderful educational team at New Sarepta Elementary School. I have had the pleasure of being part of large urban schools, but my greatest professional experiences have been at a rural, family-centred school. The opportunity to guide, laugh with and be inspired by students is the foundation of what I believe to be one of the greatest professions. The light our children bring allows everyone to celebrate the best of the world around us. Through this lens, ordinary events are often transformed into extraordinary experiences. I want to thank the staff, students and the members of the community for the wonderful welcome as we move towards another great school year at NSE.

DR. LEANNA MURTHA-TOLES

Welcome back to another exciting school year at New Sarepta Elementary School! I'm thrilled to extend my warmest greetings as your newly appointed Assistant Principal. I have been a part of the Black Gold School Division for the past 14 years and spent 13 of those at Robina Baker Elementary School in Devon. I am a lifelong learner who is passionate about wellness and creating a positive learning environment for all members of the school community. As we step into this new year, I feel honoured to be part of a team that is dedicated to making this year a truly memorable and enriching experience for all. Our focus includes nurturing each student's growth, fostering a positive and inclusive environment, and supporting our incredible educators. Together, we will create a year filled with discovery, achievement, and unforgettable moments.





Black Gold School Division uses the Hour Zero School Emergency Program to prepare for and respond to emergencies. A detailed summary of the program can be located in the [BGDS Emergency Program Brochure](#).

It is important that staff and students keep our training up-to-date in order for our emergency response to be effective. As such, we will be conducting a number of drills throughout the year. This month, staff and students will engage in an Evacuation, Hold & Secure, and Shelter in Place. Students will be notified on the morning announcements of the drill and staff will work with their classes in advance to ensure they are aware of the procedure and also to reduce stress around the event. Please contact the office if you have any questions about our emergency response drills.

MUSIC ROOM NEWS 2023-2024

Welcome back to the Music Room Sabres!

Mrs. Kruk has a spectacular year planned with all sorts of musical activities! And yes, NSES will be putting on an unforgettable Christmas Concert once again! Parents, if you are interested in helping with costumes and props please contact Mrs. Kruk @ lisa.kruk@blackgold.ca. As always the Silver Collection music fund is available for donations all year round through the PowerSchool portal. All purchases for any musical instruments, i.e. recorders will be made through PowerSchool. Speaking of recorders, please have your child bring their recorder back to school. Also, Mrs. Kruk has pre-ordered recorders, so please don't rush out and buy one. She has them ready for you when it is time for tooting! If you have any questions or want to volunteer in the music room throughout the year, please contact Mrs. Kruk. She is looking forward to another fantastic year with your kiddos! May the musical adventures begin!

CROSS COUNTRY RUNNING TEAM

All students in grades 2-6 at NSES have the opportunity to train two times a week as a member of the school's Cross-Country Running Team. On Tuesday, September 19th, the students will compete against other runners in their age category at the Coloniale Classic Cross Country Meet. The meet will take place at École Coloniale Estates School, which is at 37 Coloniale Way, in Beaumont, from 4:20 p.m. to 6 p.m. (approximately). Students will need to be driven to the Meet and supervised before and after their race by a parent/guardian, so all are welcome to join.

If your child is wishing to participate, please complete the Registration Form & Payment on PowerSchool no later than Monday September 11th, 2023. The entrance fee for participating in this Meet is \$3.00 per student.

TERRY FOX SCHOOL RUN

New Sarepta Elementary School will be participating in this year's Terry Fox School Run for cancer research on Friday, September 22nd, 2023. Our rain out day will be Wednesday September 27th, 2023. We are proud to continue the legacy of one of our country's greatest heroes.

Our theme for this year is **Be a Hero**. Maya Angelou said, "I think a hero is any person really intent on making this a better place for all people." NSE students will be learning about why Terry Fox is seen as a Canadian Hero. We will be honouring him by having a superhero theme day on September 22nd. All donations are accepted on the Terry Fox Website. You can find the link below. You can also search for our school by clicking on the Terry Fox School Run and typing New Sarepta Elementary. As a school, our goal is to raise \$500.00. For every \$50.00 dollars raised a staff member has agreed to dress as a superhero for the day. Mr. Froland has agreed that if we raise \$500.00 he will dress in a surprise costume for the run. The students will also be receiving a freezie at the end of the run. We hope you will join us and support this wonderful cause by donating to the Terry Fox Foundation. Thank you!

We thank you for the ongoing support.

<https://schools.terryfox.ca/30949>

September 2023

SU	MO	TU	WE	TH	FR	SA
			Aug 30 First Day of School ECS Staggered entry	Aug 31 ECS Staggered entry	1 ECS Staggered entry	2
3	4 Labour Day - No School	5	6 Milk Program Begins 5:30pm-Meet the Teacher /Community Awareness Evening	7	8	9
10	11	12	13 ECS & Gr 1 Safely on Board	14 ECS & Gr 1 Safely on Board	15 PD Day - No School	16
17	18 7:15pm - PIIE/Council Meeting - AGM	19 Coloniale Cross Country Classic	20	21	22 Terry Fox Run 	23
24	25	26	27	28 Sabre Day Orange Shirt Day	29 Truth & Reconciliation Day - No School	30 

Volunteer Forms

To volunteer with NSES for your children, everyone needs to complete a Volunteer form. Check PowerSchool under Student Forms/Fees to complete this form. Should you require a paper copy, speak to your child's teacher or the office.

NSES Milk Program

Milk cards are available for purchase on your child's PowerSchool account. You are also welcome to send cash or cheques to the school office. Milk costs \$1 per milk. Milk cards are available in \$10 and \$20 amounts to purchase.

October 2023

SU	MO	TU	WE	TH	FR	SA
1	2	3 Picture Day KTR; 1N; 1/2H; 2MK; 3H; 3/4B	4 Picture Day KMW; 4Q; 5H; 5S; 6A; 6N	5	6	7
8	9 Thanksgiving - No School 	10 PD Day - No School	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23 Grade 6 Immunizations	24	25	26 Sabre Day	27	28
29	30	31 Halloween 	Nov 1 PD Day - No School	Nov 2	Nov 3	Nov 4

LRC Free Family Passes

NSES has two Family Passes to the Leduc Recreation Centre (LRC) for our families to borrow. These passes can be reserved by emailing the office at nse@blackgold.ca and **MUST** be reserved by a parent or guardian. Passes can be sent home with your child. Passes can be borrowed for 1-week and will be loaned from Friday to Thursday. Pickup/sending home the passes on Friday and need to be returned by Thursday. A lost/late pass may result in up to a \$20 charge for replacement.