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Hello C.P. Allen Students and Families:

Here is what is happening this week.

Important Dates:

National Indigenous History Month, Italian Heritage Month, Filipino Heritage Month, Portuguese Heritage Month, Pride Month

June 10: Relay for Life

June 12: Last Day for Grade 12s to Submit Scholarship Offers for Graduation Programme

June 13: Better with Bees Pollinator Kick-Off Event

June 21 is National Indigenous Peoples Day

June 22-25 Exams (Students only need to be present for their exams, otherwise classes have ended for the school year).

June 29: Graduation Ceremony

June 30: Last day of school

Gr 9 School Tour

Please share with any grade 9 students you know who are coming to CPA in September.

Who? Students planning to attend CPA in the 2026/2027 school year

What? Members of CPA's Students' Council will take students on a guided tour of the building while families/guardians wait outside. The tours usually last 10-15 minutes. Once students are done, they will exit out the main (office) doors.

When? June 11, from 4:00-4:30pm

Where? Charles P Allen High School. Students will be guided into the school through the gymnasium doors.

June Exam Schedule

Our June exam schedule has now been posted on our website, Google Classrooms and in our CPA App. Please have a look at the [schedule and exam procedures here](#).

Student Reminders

Attendance: Students are expected to attend all classes leading up examinations. Students must be in class. They cannot be in the building and not in class.

Academic Integrity: Students may not have phones, smartwatches, or other electronic devices at their desks during assessments.

Be Prepared: Get a good night's rest and eat a healthy breakfast or lunch! The school will have snacks on hand as students arrive for exams.

Textbooks: All textbooks should be returned to the library after students final summative assessments.

CPA Better with Bees Club – Pollinator Week

CPA's Better With Bees betterwithbees.ca is hosting a kickoff event on June 13 from 1:00 to 3:30pm. We are raising awareness about the importance of using native plants in order to provide resources for native pollinators.

There will be an informational presentation about growing native plants in a garden and for those that have balcony planters beginning at 1:15pm for about 30min.

Games for the young ones from 1-3pm including:

- Pin the wings on the bee
- Queen Bee Treasure Hunt
- Musical Flowers
- Rock Painting
- And everyone's favourite
- Don't Wake the Beekeeper

Free coffee will be offered from Cortado Tasting Room and a bake sale will be held to raise funds for the CPA Medicine Garden and Wabanaki Meadow development.

Pollinator Week officially occurs from June 22-18. Please visit the Pollinator Partnership Canada website <https://pollinatorpartnership.ca/en> and iNaturalist <https://www.inaturalist.org/> for more information.

CPA Arts

Huge thank you to François Weber for leading a dedicated group of high school students in creating the powerful production of 12 Angry Jurors.

Thank you to our exemplar music program for performing our last spring band concert of the school year and for leading a group of music students at the National Music Festival and receiving the Gold Award.

And lastly, thank you to our entire art department on a successful Fine Arts Night showcasing so much amazing talent here at C. P. Allen.

Thank you for giving our students opportunities to express themselves through the arts, whether that is dance, music, performing, or hands on creating.

Scholarships Listed In Graduation Programme

Any grade 12s wishing for their scholarship offers to be listed in the printed graduation programme that is handed out to guests at the graduation ceremony, must email Ms. Lowe (lowea@hrce.ca) with a copy of the letter/offer **no later than 4:00pm on June 12**. Please let Ms. Lowe know if you are accepting this scholarship. All offers can be listed in the programme regardless of acceptance, those offers being accepted will be announced as the graduate crosses the stage.

Grad Rehearsal And Gown Pick-Up – Friday, June 26 At 10:10am

The complete list of graduates for the class of 2026 will be posted at 10:00 am on the bulletin board by the main office. There will be a mandatory meeting and grad rehearsal in the gym at 10:10 am. Immediately following, graduates will receive their cap and gown for the ceremony. Graduates will get to keep their grad gowns and caps as souvenirs.

All books, team uniforms, and Chromebooks must be returned, as well as all grad fees paid in order to receive your graduation gown. YOU MUST BE ON TIME FOR THIS EVENT!

Graduation Ceremony – Monday, June 29 At 1:30pm At The Halifax Forum

Time: Students must arrive at **12:45pm** and report to the Bingo Hall to begin the line-up for the commencement of the ceremony. **YOU MUST BE ON TIME FOR THIS EVENT!**

Place: Halifax Forum, Windsor Street, Halifax

Students and their families do not need tickets for the graduation ceremony and can bring as many guests as they wish.

Graduates MUST remain seated for the duration of the ceremony to show respect to all fellow graduates. The floor where graduates sit is restricted for **graduates, teachers, and presenters only. Parents cannot access this area until after the ceremony.** There will be an accessible seating section for individuals with mobility limitations. **Please contact lowea@hrce.ca should you require accessible seating.**

Photographs: There will be a professional photographer at the foot of the stage to take a picture of the graduate receiving their diploma from Ms. Bird. This photograph will be available online the next day. The link will be emailed home to parents.

CPA Athletics

Athletics Awards

It was a wonderful evening at the Athletics Awards Night celebrating so many wonderful C. P. Allen athletes. Thank you to our athletics department as well as coaches and staff advisors – who make our many sport team opportunities possible for students to be part of.

Team Uniforms

An important reminder that any student athlete that has not returned their sports team uniform yet needs to return them to the gym as soon as possible.

Parents, Learn French for Free

The program "I speak French with my child" is funded by **Department of Education and Early Childhood Development of Nova Scotia**. It offers free beginner classes to parents in Nova Scotia. This program has been running for 3 years. Interested parents can sign-up [here](#) to be contacted when the registration will open in September. [Click here to learn more.](#)

Have a great week.

Stephanie Bird
Principal