



**BROOKSIDE WEEKLY MEMO**

**THIS WEEK AT BROOKSIDE: February 22-26**

**Week 2**

**2021 African Heritage Month:  
Black History Matters: Listen, Learn, Share and Act**



	<p><b>1983 - Black Cultural Centre for Nova Scotia opens in Cherry Brook, NS.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ CYCP @ Brookside</li> <li>→ Junior High Intervention Teacher @ BJHS</li> </ul>
	<p><b>1984 - Daurene Lewis is voted in as the Mayor of Annapolis, the first Black female mayor in Canada.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ CYCP @ Brookside</li> <li>→ Guidance Counsellor @ BJHS</li> </ul>
	<p><b>1990 - Nova Scotian lawyer Donald H. Oliver became Canada's first African-Canadian senator.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ CYCP @ Brookside</li> <li>→ School Social Worker @ Brookside</li> <li>→ Junior High Intervention Teacher @ BJHS</li> <li>→ Guidance Counsellor @ BJHS</li> </ul>
	<p><b>1993 - Wayne Adams elected first Black cabinet member in Nova Scotia provincial politics.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Virtual Tour of Africville @ 11:00am (Alternate lunch schedule for today only.)</li> <li>→ SLD @ Brookside</li> <li>→ Girls &amp; Guy Space - Grade 7s</li> <li>→ CYCP @ Brookside</li> </ul>
	<p><b>2006 - Mayann E. Francis of Whitney Pier, Cape Breton, was appointed Lt. Governor of Nova Scotia, the first Black woman in history.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ French Immersion and Band program forms due to homeroom teachers</li> <li>→ Gender and Inclusion Alliance @ lunch</li> <li>→ SLD @ Brookside</li> <li>→ CYCP @ Brookside</li> <li>→ Junior High Intervention Teacher @ BJHS</li> <li>→ Guidance Counsellor @ BJHS</li> </ul>

<p><b><u>March Upcoming Dates</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• March 5 - <a href="#">2021 Girls Conference Girl Power In A Digital World</a></li> <li>• March 8-12 - Winter Spirit Week</li> <li>• March 15-19 - March Break</li> <li>• March 24 - Assessment and Evaluation Day</li> <li>• March 29-April 1 - 2nd term report cards go home</li> </ul>	<p><b><u>April Upcoming Dates</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• April 2 - Good Friday</li> <li>• April 5 - Easter Monday</li> <li>• April 8 - PD/P-T</li> <li>• April 22 - SAC mtg. @ 6pm</li> </ul>
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➤ **Safe Arrival** - Please remember to call safe arrival if your child will not be at school – 902-852-2062, ext 1. If you have to email the absence, please email [bjhs@hrce.ca](mailto:bjhs@hrce.ca) rather than the teacher.



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- **Africville Museum Tour** - Brookside has been offered the unique opportunity to join 11 other schools from across the country on a virtual tour the Africville virtual museum, and a presentation with former residents of Africville, who will be joining us live from the museum.

This opportunity wouldn't be possible without Sally and her husband, John. John's cousin is executive director of the Africville Museum and has organized this for us and the other schools.

The tour and talk will take place on Thursday, February 25 – the catch is the time! Due to schools from across Canada being involved, the start time of the presentation is 11:00 am (for us), this is of course lunch time. In order to accommodate this, students and staff grades 6 and 7 would need to have their lunch from 10:30-10:55 and 8 and 9s from 12:05 – 12:30.

- **Outdoor Ed Opportunity** – Brookside staff is excited to partner with Mary Veinotte, Leader 6-9 Extra-Curricular Sports, and her team to bring Outside Education to BJHS. Stay tuned for more information coming soon!
- **Girls/Guys Space** – The YMCA/YWCA continues to visit Brookside in week 1 (Wednesdays) and week 2 (Thursdays) to facilitate Girlspace and Guyspace in coordination with our Grade 7 Healthy Living Teachers. Make sure to ask your children about what they have been learning!!
- **2021 Girls Conference - Girl Power In A Digital World** - On Friday, March 5th, 2021 – Mount Saint Vincent University and the Alexa McDonough Institute for Women, Gender, and Social Justice (AMI) will welcome junior and senior high school girls from across the province to the 2021 Girls Conference. To mark our tenth annual conference celebrating International Women's Day, this year registration is free compliments of Mount Saint Vincent University. The conference will take place during the school day from 10 am – 2 pm.

Young women at the conference will have the opportunity to participate in various workshops and activity sessions which include confidence building, leadership skills, personal and professional growth, and developing stronger minds and bodies. They will also be able to share their ideas and opinions while learning effective strategies for expressing themselves and new ways to explore making a difference in their communities.

Workshop and activity sessions will give young women the opportunity to tell their stories, share their ideas and advice with each other while pushing boundaries in new areas and having some fun in a gathering that is a safe space for girls to explore new horizons and new challenges.

#### **How the Virtual Conference Will Work**

Depending on the COVID-19 restrictions in place in individual schools, the girls will join the conference from their regular classrooms or spaces their schools have designated for delegates. They will need:

- A device with video, audio, and microphone capabilities such as a tablet, or laptop/computer
- Headphones for their device

A text-navigator will be present in each workshop to ensure chat messages from delegates who may be joining from their classrooms are communicated to workshop leaders.

**\*\*\*Girls in grades 7, 8 and 9 are encouraged to listen for the announcement explaining how to sign up. Space is limited.\*\***

- **Brookside Clothing** - We are excited to announce that we will be selling Brookside clothing again! A link to the order form and newly added items will be sent out early next week. The deadline for orders to be back in time for Easter is Friday, March 12. Thank you for your support!!