



Be Safe, Be Fair, Be Kind

November

Bayview Community Elementary School

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Remembrance Day Assembly Thursday, November 10, 11:00 am

Please join us this Thursday as we commemorate Remembrance Day. All members of our school community are invited to this moving assembly, and the assembly will be held in the Queen Elizabeth Auditorium. As this is our first Remembrance Day Assembly together in person, we would like to remind everyone of the solemn nature of this assembly. All of our classes will be presenting during the assembly, and while we know you may want to show your appreciation, there will be no applause during the assembly. We look forward to seeing you on Thursday.



Student and Family Affordability Fund

This is a reminder of the email that was sent home last week. Thank you to those of you who have already responded; we ask that all families take the time to respond.

The VSB has received one time funds to address the rising costs families are facing. The Ministry of Education and Child Care's mandate is that the funds be used to improve student access to nutritional food, and/or to directly offset costs to families.

The spending plan for Bayview includes 2 broad categories:

1. Food and Nutritional Supports
 - a. to support students and families identified as needing assistance
 - b. universal support to all students (for example: nutritious snacks, lunches, nutritional programs)
2. Family Assistance/Offsetting Costs to students and families
 - a. to support students and families identified as needing assistance
 - b. universal supports to all students (for example: field trip costs, performances, artist-in-residence)



We have a PAC and staff working group who will be working alongside myself to determine universal supports (item b in both categories). You and your family will benefit from the universal supports as they will be applied to all students.

From these one-time funds, a portion will be allocated in both categories to support families who need/request assistance. I wish to be sensitive to the needs of everybody and am asking families to self-identify as experiencing food or income security concerns. The goal is to make access to these funds confidential, barrier and stigma free. Any families who self-identify will be known only to myself. Please complete the form here [affordability fund](#) to indicate whether or not your family would like to access these funds.

Upcoming Events

November

- 10 Remembrance Day Assembly-11:00 am
- 11 Remembrance Day Holiday
- 17 PAC Meeting 7 pm on Teams
- 25 Indigenous Focus Day of Learning for Staff- no school for students
- 28 David Bouchard Presentation
- 30 Photo Retake Day

December

- 10 Holiday Market
- 15 Pancake Breakfast
- 16. Last Day of School before Winter Break



Halloween Howl Huge Success- Thank You Parents!

It was wonderful to see so many families come out once again to our Halloween Howl; it truly was a community event. We want to recognize all the hard work that our parents put into making this event so much fun; from decorating the haunted house, to organizing the bake sale, it was a great way to get started on Halloween fun!

November 25 Day of Learning for Staff-Indigenous Focus

On Friday, November 25, all schools in VSB will be engaged in day of learning with an Indigenous Focus. Our staff are continuing their work to respond to the 94 Calls to Action from the Truth and Reconciliation Commission and in particular to call #63 which says, "This TRC call to action asks for the commitment of the Council of Ministers of Education in Canada to maintain a commitment to Aboriginal education issues; from creating and applying the use of K-12 curriculum and learning resources on Aboriginal peoples Canadian history, including the tragic history of residential schools. To developing an intercultural understanding, and identifying appropriate teacher-training needs to address these issues."

The VSB's new Education Plan has a specific goal to work towards reconciliation. You can view the Ed Plan document here: [Ed Plan](#)

As part of our learning journey, we would like to share some resources with you so that you can join us on our journey.

Blog Post: 21 Things You May Not Know About the Indian Act:

<https://www.ictinc.ca/blog/21-things-you-may-not-have-known-about-the-indian-act>



Books:

Braiding Sweetgrass and Braiding Sweetgrass for Young Adults by Robin Wall Kimmerer
<https://www.robinwallkimmerer.com/books>

Wayi Wah! Indigenous Pedagogies – An Act for Reconciliation and Anti-Racist Education by Jo Chrona

<https://luudisk.com/wayi-wah-indigenous-pedagogies-an-act-for-reconciliation-and-anti-racist-education-sept-2022/>

We look forward to sharing more of our learning with you.



Important News From our PAC

We want to thank all of the parents who stopped in to say hi and grab a coffee with us at McBride Park bus drop off, we hope to host more of these and look forward to meeting more of you!

PAC MEETING: Join us on teams for our monthly PAC meeting: Nov. 17th at 7pm.

POPCORN SALE: We will be having another popcorn sale this month on the morning of Nov. 17th. Send your child with \$1 if they wish to purchase popcorn at recess!

PURDYS HOLIDAY ORDERING - OPEN NOW!!

Get your holiday chocolate order's in now through November. 28th. This is an excellent school fundraiser and great for gifting too. Know anyone in business that might need to buy a lot of chocolate this season for gifting? Feel free to direct them to our fundraising page!. Pick up will be at McBride Park: Sunday, Dec. 11th 3-4pm Attached you will find the Purdy's 2022 Catalogue and you can find all the items by also browsing on the ordering link below.

PURDYS FUNDRAISING LINK: <https://fundraising.purdys.com/657974-99716>

AFFILIATE SHOPPING PROGRAMS: As we near the holiday season, we want to remind you that Bayview has quite a few shopping affiliate links. Shop books, groceries, tech, and more. Check it out through the website here: <https://bayviewpac.ca/fundraising/on-going-fundraisers-cash-back-programs/>

UPCOMING: Over the next few weeks we will also be planning a pizza day and another Dine and Donate event. More info to come!

Good-bye for now Joanne

One of our SSA's, Joanne Mark, will be starting her maternity leave a bit early. Mom and baby are doing fine, they just need some extra time to rest up for what lays ahead. We wish Joanne and her family all the best, and we can't wait to meet her new little one.



Learning at Bayview this month

Division 9-Ms. Jung's class has been invited to be a part of the ROOTS OF EMPATHY program. Our "teacher" is baby Oli and his parents. With the help of a ROE facilitator, the children will learn about feelings--their own feelings and the feelings of others. Each month, we will have 3 visits—a pre-visit; a baby visit; and a post visit. We are excited! Bayview has been invited again to participate in the Bulbs4Kids campaign; last year was our first year. We have received another 400 bulbs (tulips, daffodils, hyacinths, and crocuses) this year, and all the classes will be planting them in the planter pots around Camp Bayview over the next few weeks. Thank you to PAC for supporting this exciting project, and supplying this year's supply of soil. We can't wait for Spring when Bayview will be blooming with lots of colours.



From Division 7- Ms. Taylor's class

We will be accepting any leftover or extra Halloween candy for another week (and even longer if necessary!) Ms. Taylor took 500 pairs of socks to a shelter in North Vancouver yesterday and they were so thankful.



We will be starting our Kindness Ninjas booklets and working through concepts of Gratitude, Thankfulness, filling our Buckets while filling others. We are the Kindness Ninja classroom. Our next big drive will be a coat drive! Gently used coats, jackets, vests will be accepted starting November 14th. They will be distributed to families in need!



Division 8 Ms. Roopra/Ms. Cameron's Class: The readers and writers of Div. 8 are jazzed up about literacy! It has been amazing seeing the growth and pride of our students. We are working on personal narrative writing, including stretching out our words with letter-sound writing and sentence conventions, as well as making our writing interesting with triple scoop words and the 6 senses. (Coming up soon: similies, and Haikus.) We are using our reading strategies, and love reading on our own, with a partner, and class read alouds!

November Athletics From Ms, Hinds

Congratulations to all the student runners who participated in our **Cross Country Program** this Fall. We doubled our participation numbers this year. We had 75-90 runners participating from Bayview at the various meets. We had perfect weather for all the mini meets and for our Trout Lake City Championships. We had many successful results at all the meets and amazing finishes by all runners. Our top finishes at the City Championships included a 1st place finish in the Gr 4 Boys from **Nolan Tupper**, and a 2nd place finish for the grade Gr 6 Boys by **Sebastian Tupper**. Thank you to **Ms. Bossut** for your help with warm-ups, organization, and supervision of our runners.

Our **Jr Boys Soccer** Team successfully completed their 5 week season. The boys had many successful games and individual success. Thank you to **Mr. Toszak** for your help with coaching and officiating games.

Our **Junior Volleyball** team is starting their season this week with 6- team jamborees at L'Ecole Bilingue. We have a mixed co-ed team this year that includes 15 boys and girls from Gr's 5/6. The students are practicing during recess and lunch and during their scheduled Gym times.

Looking forward - we have Basketball to plan and look forward to. If your child is interested in joining one of the **Basketball teams** - please see Ms Hinds. Mr T will be starting some recess practices with the Sr teams soon. The games are played on the following days: Monday - Jr Boys (Gr 6), Tuesday - Jr Girls (Gr 6), Wednesday - Sr Boys (Gr 7), Thursdays - Sr Girls (Gr 7). If you have any questions regarding the Basketball program - please email Ms Hinds - bhinds@vsb.bc.ca.



When Will We Be Moving Into our New School?

We are still hoping that we will move into new Bayview in January, 2023. The inside of the building is nearly done, and it is beautiful! Over the past couple of weeks, various members of our school community have been able to walk through the building and have been so impressed with it. We know it is hard to wait, and we thank you all for being patient. At this point, we are simply saying that we will move in when everything is ready, which includes exterior concrete and asphalt. The playgrounds and field will not be ready for us when we move in, but the playgrounds hopefully will be ready not long after we are in the building.

We know the weather is certainly more of a challenge at Camp Bayview so thank you also for sending children to school with appropriate clothing for being outside for recess and lunch play.

