

BOBKAT BULLETIN

November Events

November 2 - All Souls Day
ATA Institute Day - **No School**

November 3 - Picture Re-takes;
Winter Clothing Drive

November 5 - School Council
Workshop

November 6 - Remembrance
Day Ceremony - wear red;
Early Dismissal @ 12:41pm;
No Kinder

November 8 - [Catholic](#)
[Education Sunday](#) @ SAP 9am

November 9 - 13 **Fall Break -**
No School

November 18 - Wear your
Moustache!

November 19 - School Council
@ 6:30pm

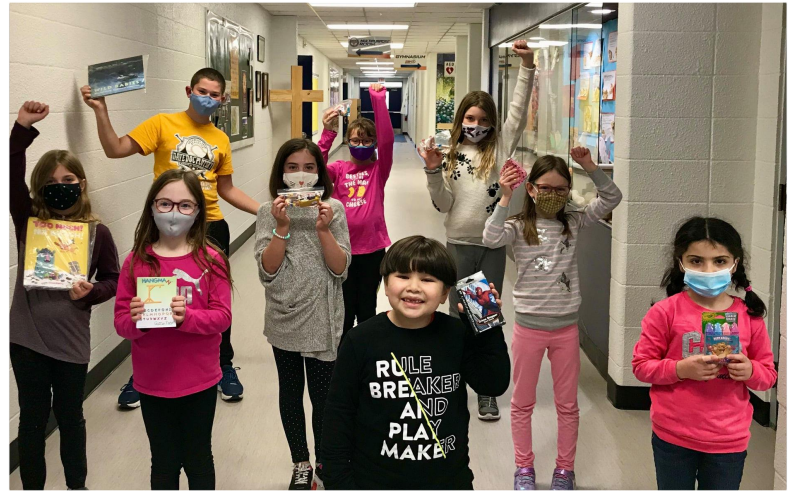
November 20 - [Purdy's orders](#)
[due](#)

November 24 - Nourish the
BobKat Snack

November 25 - Helping Hands
Assembly

November 27 - Report Cards
sent home (gr.1-6); **No Kinder;**
BK Spirit Day (wear your
BobKat gear)

[BK Calendar](#)



Admin Message

The leaves are changing, the weather is getting cooler, and all of us at Bertha Kennedy are swinging into the thick of things. It has been a calm start to the year and we cannot believe it is already November.

The staff and students at Bertha Kennedy have been busy ensuring the BobKat spirit thrives in this time of COVID. Our first theme day - Crazy Hair Day - was a huge success and we saw a lot of participation. Thank you to all of you parents who woke up early to braid, shave, colour, back-comb, gel, and tease your child's hair into some very creative hair-dos! Our Thanksgiving liturgy was beautifully done by our grade one students and we hoped you enjoyed the video recording. Although we can not have parent volunteers or visitors in the school, it is so very important to make sure that you still feel included and welcome in our vibrant school.





Counsellor's Corner

Please visit [Mrs. Chyzowski's website](#) for her update.

School Fees

School fees are now due. Please login to your [School Cash Online](#) for payment.

Winter Clothing Drive

Please consider supporting our own school community by donating winter clothing on Nov. 3rd. Drop off will be at the front of the school. All items will be laundered and distributed to families in need of our support.

Catholic Education Sunday

Please join the staff of BK to celebrate Catholic Education Sunday at St. Albert Parish during the 9am Mass on November 8th. SAP uses a sign-up process to ensure protocols are followed. Please visit the [link](#) to confirm your spot.

Picture Re-takes

Re-takes will take place on Tuesday, November 3rd in the morning. Please have your student bring the picture proof with them. Online students are invited to attend from 9-10am to get their pictures taken.

The Healthy BobKat team continues to brighten everyone's day, especially when they had the opportunity to deliver the "Nourish the BobKat" healthy snack this past week. Thank you so much to the parents who have volunteered their time to ensure our students can have a healthy choice for snack. This will continue once a month for the remainder of the year.

Our Remembrance Day Ceremony will take place on Friday, November 6th at 10:30 am lead by our grade 4 students (please wear red). We will pray for soldiers past and present and will teach the students the importance of remembering those who fought for our current day freedoms. As always, a recording will be sent home if you wish to view the ceremony. Poppies will be provided to students for this liturgy; please consider donating money to the Canadian Legion for this poppy. **"Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends."** (John 15:13)

We have kick-started our "Helping Hands" program by recognizing students in their efforts to continuously portray our BKATS philosophy - Believe, Kindness, Attitude, Teamwork, and Safety. Students from each class will be recognized each month.

Lastly, on behalf of the entire staff at Bertha Kennedy we wish you a restful fall break. May you take the time to see the beauty of autumn and spend some well deserved time with each other.

God Bless,

Nicole Baker
Principal

Josie Cancian
Vice Principal



School Council

Wow! It's November already!

BK School Council is thrilled to have a great group of parents working toward a successful year for our students, staff and families! School Council has many committees ramping up for the year ahead. Thank you to everyone for your time and commitment to school council so far this year!

We sure missed seeing all the families dressed up at the halloween dance this year! Shout out to the **Spirit Committee** for decorating the hallway to boost the halloween spirit for students! Be on the lookout for the Spirit Committee throughout the school year!

The Playground and Garden Committee has been busy cleaning up the planters and bushes at BK. Special shout out to all the families that braved the cold weather and did an amazing job clearing weeds, cleaning planters, pruning bushes and perennials and hauling away all the clippings!

Nourish the BobKats has rolled out with their first monthly snack. Students will enjoy a healthy snack from the Nourish the BobKats team throughout the school year!

The Compassion Committee has been working behind the scenes coming up with ways to support students, families and the community! They will be running a winter clothing drive on November 3rd. Please drop off any winter clothing you no longer use.

Yearbooks are now on sale and can be purchased throughout the school year. Yearbook designs are finalized at the end of the school year and will be distributed in September 2021. Yearbooks are \$20 and can be purchased here: <https://form.jotform.com/203008181554246>

If you are interested in learning more about how you can be a part of school council and/or its committees please email bkschoolcouncil@gmail.com.

BK School Council will be hosting a virtual workshop with Alberta School Councils' Association on November 5, 2020 at 6:30pm. This 3 hour workshop focuses on School Councils' Purpose and the Fundraising Association Partnership Purpose for Bertha Kennedy Catholic School. This workshop is one of ASCA's amazing ways to help better school councils and empower parents/guardians across Alberta.

Participating in this workshop does not commit you to any School Council roles or Fundraising. You can learn more about Alberta School Councils' Association and what role they play in bringing the parent voice to Alberta's Education Ministry on their website at albertaschoolcouncils.ca.

To register for the workshop please email bkschoolcouncil@gmail.com

Our next School Council meeting will take place on November 19, 2020 at 6:30pm. Hope to see you there!

November 1, 2020

Friends of BK

Friends of BK (FOBK) are working hard to raise money for classroom enhancements, field trips, to build an outdoor classroom and upgrade the sound system in the gym.

We thank you for your support in the following Campaigns coming up!

Purdy Chocolate Xmas campaign will be Nov 3 to Nov 20. Check your children's backpacks on Tuesday for more info. Click on the [link](#) to order.

Frozen Cookie Dough is back in time for Xmas baking with the kiddos - it will start November 20 and orders need to be in by Dec 4 to make it here before Xmas Holidays!

Stay tuned for more information regarding our Online Xmas Basket Raffle and 50/50!

And save your bottles as we have set up bottle drive at the St Albert Bottle Refund Centre over in Riel Park - swing by and say "donate these to Friends of BK"!

Thank you for being a Friend!

FOBK



