October Events

- October 2 Crazy Hair Day
- October 5-9 Read in Week

October 7 - Helping Hands Awards

October 8 - Picture Day!

October 8 - <u>Harvest Bundle</u> <u>Fundraiser</u> due (code:FOBK)

October 9 - Thanksgiving Celebration (wear orange BK shirts!)

October 12 - Thanksgiving (No School)

October 13 - PD Day (No School)

October 14-15 - Parent Teacher Interviews (4:15pm - 7:30pm)

October 21 - 23 - Harvest Bundles pick-up

October 22 - School Council meeting @ 6:30pm

October 23 - No Kinder

October 30 - Halloween dress-up!

BK Calendar



Admin Message

BERTHA KENNEDY

Welcome to the 2020/2021 school year! We, at Bertha Kennedy, have had a great start to the school year and we are so grateful for your support as we navigate these interesting waters. The beautiful month of September seemed to have flown by, yet we were incredibly busy with multiple events.

Our first major event was our Opening Celebration to introduce our faith theme: Arise - Get Up! It was amazing to pray together as a faith community through Google Meet and to celebrate the opening of our school year. We are blessed to have the support of our Knights of Columbus with their donation towards the grade 4 bibles. This special event was commemorated following our opening liturgy.

The staff and students participated in the Terry Fox Run last week. Many lessons and activities surrounding the legacy of this





Counsellor's Corner

Please visit <u>Mrs. Chyzowski's</u> website for her update.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Parent Teacher Interviews will open up on Monday, October 5th @ 9am. These face-to-face interviews will take place on October 14 and 15 from 4:15pm - 7:30pm.

Please click on the following link: <u>PTI booking</u>

If you prefer a virtual meeting, please contact <u>ssadownyk@gsacrd.ab.ca</u> before Monday.

Food Bank Donation

BK will be collecting nonperishable items from October 5-9 for the St. Albert Food Bank. Please consider donating.

BK Online store

We are excited to offer you the opportunity to purchase some BK merchandise.

Please visit our <u>online</u> <u>store</u>. The store will close on October 21st



incredible man took place throughout the school. We raised \$375.50 for the Terry Fox Foundation. Thanks for your support!

Our Thanksgiving Celebration will take place on Friday, October 9th at 9:30am hosted by our grade ones and Father Ignacy. In the week leading up to the liturgy, we are asking families to help support the St. Albert Food Bank by bringing in non-perishable food items. "What you do for the least among you, you do for Jesus." Matthew 25:34-40

We continue to reinforce positive behaviors within the school through our "Caught Being Kind" initiative. Many students have received the coveted orange ticket for their chance to win the weekly draw.

Although COVID has changed the landscape of our schooling, we continue to make SAFETY a priority. We have completed 2 fire drills in the month of September and we will complete one more this month. Students and staff did an amazing job practicing how to safely evacuate the building in a timely manner.

Lastly, on behalf of the entire staff at Bertha Kennedy we would like to thank you for all of your wonderful support. The community feel in this school is OUTSTANDING. Let's continue to build relationships through kindness and understanding.

God Bless,

Nicole Baker Principal Josie Cancian Vice Principal



School Council

BK School Council is happy to announce the new executive team for the 2020/2021 school year. Please welcome back Kerry Bodell as Chair, Shawna Eskiw as Secretary and Nicole Roy as the new Vice Chair. A big welcome to everyone to the new school year!

Thank you to everyone who attended the AGM on September 17th. BK is blessed to have so many parents working together to make this year a success for the students at BK.

Though our year will look different there are still many things we can do as a School Council to enhance our students' education and experience at BK. We will be running some of our committees throughout the year and are looking for members to join us on these committees. Please visit the following link for more information on these committees: <u>https://form.jotform.com/</u> <u>202645375966264</u>. If you are interested in joining or helping on any of these committees please select all that apply on the link. If you have any questions there is an opportunity to do so on the link or by emailing <u>bkschoolcouncil@gmail.com</u>.



Order your mask today!

Friends of BK

Thank you to everyone who came out to our AGM that was held on Sept 17. Our new Directors for the 2020-2021 school year will be: Lorrianne Pearce, Melinda Wood, Tanner Wilson, Shawna Eskiw and Christy Watamaniuk. Our next meeting will be on October 22 following the Council Meeting. We are constantly learning working with Alberta School Councils Association (ASCA) to improve our operations so that we meet Corporate Registry and Service Alberta requirements, and that we are using proven practices. As a fundraising society, we are required by law to have permission to contact our members...flyers and pamphlets going home, or reminder emails and meeting invites cannot be shared with nonmembers due to PIPA...so please fill out this e- form or sign a paper copy at the next meeting and simply become a member of FOBK:

https://form.jotform.com/202576186363056

... it's a formality so that we can continue to communicate with you regarding all the future events and fundraisers so we can continue to successfully raise monies for our BK Students.

As an incentive to register, we will draw for a little "Thank you for being a Friend" gift at the next meeting - so don't forget to sign up! (Members do not have to be present at the meeting to win!

Please support the Friends of BK through our fundraisers: Current - Harvest Bundle; November - Purdy's Chocolates