

BOBKAT BULLETIN

January Events

January 4 - Welcome Back!
Virtual/online classes begin

January 11 - Return to in-person
classes

January 14 - GSACRD PreK/Kinder
Virtual expo @ 6pm

January 15 - No Kinder

January 21 - Look-a-like Day

January 21 - School Council
meeting

January 26 - Nourish the BobKat
snack

January 27 - Helping Hands
Award

January 28 - BK Virtual Open
House @ 6pm

January 29 - PD Day - NO
SCHOOL



Admin Message

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! The staff at Bertha Kennedy would like to wish all of our families all of the best in 2021. "But those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint" (Isaiah 40:31).

As we look back through the first three months of school we are amazed by the generosity shown by our BK families. From helping to clothe our fellow families through the winter clothing drive, to raising money for vulnerable teens, the kindness and charitable spirit that the BK students exude is unmistakable. During the Advent season, we were able to donate many boxes filled with food to St. Albert Parish to help support our sister parish Sacred Heart in downtown Edmonton. We also raised a whopping \$451 in our "toonies for teens" campaign. This adds to the total for GSACRD, which is already up to over \$7200; with





Counsellor's Corner

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

PreK/K Virtual Expo

Great Beginnings Start Here!
2021 Pre-K & Kinder Virtual EXPO
Thurs., Jan. 14, 2021 - 6 p.m.
Greater St. Albert Catholic
Schools' annual Pre-K and Kinder
EXPO is an opportunity for
parents/legal guardians and
families to learn all about the
Division's dynamic Pre-
Kindergarten and Kindergarten
programming. This year, due to
the COVID-19 pandemic, the
EXPO will be livestreamed.

[REGISTER NOW for the 2021
Virtual EXPO](#)

BK Virtual Open House

We will be hosting our own
Virtual Open House on Thursday,
January 28th from 6-7pm. Stay
tuned for more information and
registration instructions.



this money, Catholic Social Services is able to ensure that 100 vulnerable youth are supported during this Christmas season.

During January 4th - 8th, all students will be learning from home. Teachers have sent home letters with the specifics to their schedule and the instructions for learning through the Google Classroom and Google Meet. Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you need technical support; we are here to help you! Students are expected to learn throughout the entire school day from 9am - 3:30pm; teachers have prepared engaging lessons to support this.

In the month of January, we all look forward to continuing the great work that was started in the fall of 2020. We will be hosting a virtual Open House on January 28th from 6-7pm. Please be sure to share the amazing things happening at BK to new prospective families!

Thank you again for your continued support while we all navigate through this pandemic. We can't wait to see your children virtually tomorrow morning!

God Bless,

Nicole Baker
Principal

Josie Cancian
Vice Principal



School Council

Welcome back BK families! 2021 is here and we are ready!

Keep up to date and in touch with School Council by heading over to our Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/bkbobkats>) and give us a like and follow!

The Compassion Committee would like to say thank you to all families that helped make all of the staff feel special and appreciated in December! The committee has also been organizing speakers to deliver a series of information sessions for parents throughout the rest of the school year. Topics will range from mental health to nutrition and exercise. Please fill out this form to help us tailor these sessions to best support you: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfnrJUxBThCTjYfrD2VU9IqxADWLAmbBT9x9sgxMXU7VD8A7g/viewform?vc=o&c=o&w=1&flr=o>

Interested in learning more about how you can be a part of School Council and/or its committees? Email bkschoolcouncil@gmail.com any time, we love hearing from you!

Do you have any topics/agenda item ideas that you would like to see discussed at one of our council meetings? Please let us know!

Our next School Council meeting will take place virtually on Thursday, January 21, 2021 at 6:30pm. Note that this date has changed from the original scheduled date.

Yearbooks can be purchased throughout the school year and will be distributed in September 2021. Yearbooks are \$20 each and can be purchased here: <https://form.jotform.com/203008181554246>

BK Face Masks are available for purchase. View mask options and order here: <https://form.jotform.com/202236978057260>

Sincerely,

BK School Council

Friends of BK

We had a whirlwind of activity in December that even surprised our fundraiser coordinators! 🍫❤️🍪🍬🎁

Thank you to everyone who supported our fundraisers this year as every little bit adds up and gets us closer to our goals! We are so blessed to have your support!

In December alone we raised just over \$5000 to go towards School Council 2021 initiatives... that's a lot of Purdy chocolate, cookie dough and raffle tickets!

🎉 Congratulations to the winners of the Christmas Basket Raffles! 🎉

R. Hopkins - Coffee Basket (K)

J. Siddle - Lottery Basket (3F)

M. Roach - Arts & Craft Basket (PreK)

D. Pearce - Games Basket (4/5A)

A. Perras - Sports/Games Basket (6K)

M. Tomlinson - Christmas Basket (2B)

K. Fitzgerald - Book Basket (4R)

A. Tegnander - Quarantine Basket (1S)

Looking ahead, we plan to revise our 1996 Bylaws this year and the first step is to have all members vote to start the process. We are having this Special Called meeting January 7 on Zoom at 6:30pm. We invite you to become a member and join the meeting - check out the link for more information: <https://linktr.ee/FOBK>

An agenda will be emailed out to you 🧡💙

Then we look forward to our next regular FOBK meeting after the School Council Meeting on Feb 11.

If you have any future fundraiser ideas or suggestions please connect with us at friendsofberthakennedy@gmail.com

Thank you for being a Friend!

FOBK 2020/2021 Executives 🧡💙



JESSICA NELSON/St. Albert Gazette
MADE WITH LOVE – Bertha Kennedy students made hand-made Christmas cards for area residents. The students dropped off the cards at homes surrounding the school on their final day of classes before the Christmas holidays on Dec. 18.

