

BOBKAT BULLETIN

November Events

November 1 - All Saints Day (wear white);
Pizza lunch

November 2- School Picture retakes; All
Souls Day

November 3 - Healthy Hunger - Edo

November 4 - FOBK meeting @ 6:30pm

November 5 - Remembrance Day Liturgy
and ceremony @ 10:45am (wear red)

November 7 - Catholic Education Sunday.
Join us at St. Albert Parish for the 11am
Mass.

November 8 - 12 - FALL BREAK - NO
SCHOOL

November 15 - Welcome Back to school!
Pizza lunch

November 17 - Movember Mustache Day
- wear your best stash! Healthy Hunger -
Subway

November 18 - School Council @ 6:30pm

November 19 - Purdy's orders due

November 22 - Pizza lunch

November 24 - Healthy Hunger - Booster
Juice

November 26 - PD Day - NO SCHOOL

November 29 - Pizza lunch

November 30- Look-a-Like Day; Helping



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 and happily participated in our first theme day - Crazy Hair Day! This 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 were happy to host Father Ignacy as he lead us through this liturgy. As usual our BK families stepped up to the challenge in bringing in Food Bank donations and we were able to donate 405 lbs of food for those in need. As Pope Francis says, "You pray for the hungry, and then you feed them. This is how prayer works."



Counsellor update

Our current counsellor, Maria Watkins, is on a leave of absence. During this time, Mrs. Cancian will be taking on the role of VP/Counsellor.

PowerSchool

The Elementary schools in GSACRD have transferred their reporting program to a new program called PowerSchool. This is an online tool where parents can access their child's grades at their own convenience. Letters about how to set this up were sent home on Oct. 25th. Please take the time to do this as it will be up to you to access your child's report cards at the end of each term through this online portal.

Volunteers at BK

With the introduction of the Vaccination status program within GSACRD, BK can now welcome visitors back into our classrooms. Parents who would like to volunteer would have to show proof of vaccination, or show a negative COVID test that was taken within 72 hours. Please note, that to volunteer within a school a Criminal Record check must be completed in advance.

Catholic Education Sunday

Join the BK staff at the 11am Mass on Sunday, November 7th at St. Albert Parish to recognize Catholic Education Sunday. We look forward to seeing you there!

BK's new Peace Garden was the perfect backdrop for our orange shirt day as we recognized the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. Father Ed attended this momentous occasion as we blessed our new Peace Garden and prayed for our Indigenous brothers and sisters and those who have been impacted by residential schooling.

The Healthy BobKat Leadership team has been busy engaging the school in some healthy eating by introducing our first vegetable of the month - PUMPKIN! Each classroom was invited to participate in a friendly competition to bring in the most orange fruits/vegetables in their lunches. Thank you to the Kinsella family for donating HUMONGOUS pumpkins as class prizes for our top 4 classes.

Our Remembrance Day Ceremony will take place virtually on Friday, November 5th at 10:45 am lead by our grade 3 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. 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)

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

We are recruiting!

We need your help! Join us for a meeting! Join a committee! Lend a hand! Reach out and let us know if you are interested in joining School Council.

Nourish the BobKats

Congratulations to the October Pumpkin Eat Orange Classroom Competition Winners rB! Thank you to all who brought in carrots, oranges, orange peppers, and all other creative orange fruit/veggie lunches! Huge thanks to the Kinsella Family for donating the Prize Winning Pumpkins!

November Feature Veggie is the Rutabaga. We will be having some fun learning with our kids about this nutritious vegetable. Stay tuned to see what the Healthy BobKat Team has in store and for recipes and tips on Council Facebook Page.

Join Us!

Our next School Council meeting will take place virtually on November 18, 2021. Agenda suggestions for the next meeting will be accepted until November 15, 2021.

Let us know if you have a topic you would like to see discussed at one of our meetings. On the Keep an eye on your emails for the agenda and meeting details/zoom link.

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!

BK School Council



Friends of BK

Our school year has started off running with our fundraisers for the Playground Project! We will continue to build up that fund and hopefully be able to have some "fun"draising soon as well.

🥕 Indeygo FoodBank bundles raised 100\$ which gave an option to families to donate fresh vegetables to needy tables this fall. Thank you for making a difference.

🍕 Thank you to all who ordered from Little Caesars Pizza Kits which profited \$900. We are looking at running this again in the spring for those who don't have a lot of freezer space!

💛💙 We had a fun Oiler Ticket Raffle in October which raised \$600. Congratulations to our winner, Greg Hendry!

We are super excited to be blessed with two tickets to raffle off for the Toronto Game on Dec 14. Purchase a ticket to win a chance to go to one of the sought after games in the season! Tickets on sale starting November 7! Check backpacks for the flyer information and please share with coworkers, friends and family to help build our playground!

🎄📦 Our Christmas Concert Basket Raffle Tradition will continue this year. Each Classroom will donate a themed gift basket to help build our Playground. Information regarding dates, a call for donations and picking class basket themes will be out soon - so watch for that email from your child's teacher.

🍕 Pizza Monday lunches have been such a great success that we are adding a FunLunch Wednesday to the calendar!

We will be rotating Edo, Subway, BoosterJuice on FunLunch Wednesdays. FunLunch Orders need to be in by Friday midnight of each week- and remember to order your pizza by Wednesday every week. 📅 Orders can be made in advance so you don't forget and miss out - and changes can be made before the deadline in case something changes!

💜💎 Purdys Chocolate Fundraiser is here again in time for Christmas - and orders need to be in by Wednesday November 17 and the pick up date at BK is Tuesday December 7 at 3:30. Watch for a note coming home with the information before the break.

🍪 Calling all Bakers! Sweet Cinnamon Buns and Indeygo Cookie Dough will be on sale and orders will be due Monday November 29 with a pick up on December 7 (same day as PurdyPick up) at 3:30. Get ready for some family baking during the holidays!

Families who pick up from SIGIS can pick their above sweet treat orders when they pick up on the 7th.

Any fundraiser information will always be on our LinkTree below. We have a few ongoing fundraisers like SkiptheDepot and Mabel's Labels and we are going to add FlipGive and Local Education Station where FOBK receives a % from your online order to many stores in time for Christmas Shopping. Just follow the link and go shopping!!

Stay in the loop by following our Facebook page as well.

Here is the link to get connected to all of the above fundraisers and more!

<https://linktr.ee/FOBK>

Please Share all of our Fundraisers to spread the news and reach more people in our community so we can replace our wooden park for BK Students of today and tomorrow! Next FOBK Fundraising meeting is Nov 4 at 6:30 and the meeting link is in our LinkTree above - where we will be planning and taking action for January to June!

We appreciate and are grateful for your support- thank you!



CANADA'S CHOCOLATIER SINCE 1907

Can you help us reach our fundraising goals?



We get up to 25% back in fundraising profit,
and you get chocolates made in Canada with
premium quality ingredients, and sustainable cocoa.



Thank you for your support!

WHO WE ARE

Friends of Bertha Kennedy *** ORDER ONLINE at <https://linktr.ee/FOBK> ***

WE'RE FUNDRAISING FOR

Help Build our Bertha Kennedy Playground Fund!

ORDER ONLINE:

1. Sign in or create a new supporter account either by clicking the link sent to you by our coordinator or by visiting fundraising.purdys.com
2. If you're creating a new account, please enter the customer number below on the registration page.
3. If you're signing into an existing account, enter the number below into the search bar that will come up after you've signed in.
4. Click on **JOIN CAMPAIGN**.

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CUSTOMER NUMBER

PLACE & PAY FOR ORDERS BY:

November 19, 2021

DATE

PICK UP ORDERS ON:

December 7, 2021

DATE

AT:

Bertha Kennedy School 175 Larose Drive

LOCATION

If you have any questions, please contact
your coordinator:

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