November Events

November 1 - All Saints Day; NO SCHOOL - ATA Institute Day

November 2- School Picture retakes; All Souls Day; Healthy Hunger - EDO; Little Caesar Kits @ 3:30pm

November 4 - Remembrance Day Service @ 10:45 - ALL ARE WELCOME; please wear red

November 8 - 11 - FALL BREAK - NO SCHOOL

November 14 - Pizza Lunch ORDER

November 16 - Healthy Hunger -BOOSTER JUICE

November 17 - School Council @ 6:30pm

November 18 - Movember Mustache Day - wear your best stash! No Kinder/PreK

November 21 - Pizza Lunch

November 23 - Healthy Hunger - SHUMKA

November 24 - Look-a-Like Day; Chaplain in Residence

November 25 - PD DAY - NO SCHOOL

November 27 - Catholic Education Sunday 6;30pm @ SAP

November 28 - Pizza Lunch

November 30 - Healthy Hunger - DQ; Helping Hands Assembly









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 busy 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 - World Smile Day! We provided many smiles to our Lacombe neighbours by painting rocks and gifting them amongst the neighbourhood. Our Thanksgiving liturgy was beautifully done by our grade five students and we were happy to host Father Ed as he lead us through this liturgy. As usual our BK families stepped up to the challenge in bringing in Toonies for Turkeys donations and we were able to donate \$205 to the Kinettes. As Pope Francis says, "You pray for the hungry, and then you feed them. This is how prayer works."

BK's Peace Garden was the perfect backdrop for our orange shirt day as we recognized the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. Mrs. Williams chose a beautiful book entitled "Water Walker" by Joanne Robertson to represent this day on a



Chaplain in Residence

Our GSACRD chaplain, Doug Kramer, will come to BK on November 24th to lead some fun faith filled activities with our students. He has created an activity for kids to have fun with their bibles. We'll hear the Big Story God Is Telling, The Gospel Positioning System (GPS) to locate any story in the Bible and put those skills to the test with some fun Bible Battles.

Catholic Education Sunday

Please mark November 27th on your calendar. We would love to commemorate Catholic Education Sunday with our BK families on November 27th at 6:30pm at St. Albert Parish. Please join us!

Is there a BK family that would like to bring up the gifts during the Offertory?

PowerSchool

Did you know that you can access many tools for your child's education on the PowerSchool system? Once logged in, you can view how your child is doing in their classes, pay school fees, check attendance, and input if your child is going to be absent.

Childhood Anxiety Presentation

There is a free presentation on Nov. 3rd at the Arden Theatre focussing on how to help children heal from anxiety.

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book walk in the garden. Father Ed presided over our Liturgy and we prayed for our Indigenous brothers and sisters and those who have been impacted by residential schooling. The day ended with the entire school illustrating inspiration chalk messages surrounding the All Children Matter message.

We were blessed to welcome 2 musical performances in October: The Melisizwe Family and the ESSACHS band. Through these performances, our BobKats learned the importance of sharing God's gifts with others and to follow the sentiment of the Melisizwe Brother's "Gold Mind" message - to use the talents/Gifts which everyone has

Our Remembrance Day Ceremony will take place on Friday, November 4th at 10:45 am lead by our grade 2 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

Halloween Dance - Thank You!

BK School Council and FOBK's Halloween dance was a great success thanks to the many helping hands we had! Our Halloween Committee outdid themselves and provided an awesome, fun filled night for our BK Community.

Thank you so much to all volunteers as well as to Mrs. Byer and her Grade 6 Class for all their hard work.

We are Recruiting!

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

Join Us!

Our next School Council meeting will take place October 20, 2022 with both virtual and in person options.

Agenda suggestions for the next meeting will be accepted until October 17, 2022. 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 (<u>https://www.facebook.com/bkbobkats</u>) and give us a like and follow!

BK School Council







Friends of BK

We would are excited to welcome Brittany Cartney to our FOBK Executive team as Vice President! Our 2022-2023 Executive is now complete and already working together to keep the Association moving forward!

Looking back, October has been another exceptional month for FOBK Fundraising and now we must look forward to November and December! Time is going to fly so take note on these important fundraising opportunities as we inch closer to our playground goal!

Fundraising Info:

Little Caesar Kit Campaign raised \$550 dollars!! Crazy crazy!! Please note the new PizzaKit PickUp date is Wednesday Nov 2 at 3:30pm so get ready for some crazy bread this week if you ordered!

Healthy Hunger Wednesdays is still looking for volunteers to help distribute orders to the classes - so go back into the website and add your dates you can volunteer to keep this profitable program going!!

Skip the Depot is on our LinkTree below if you have bottles saved from last month - it's easy to schedule pick up and the money goes right to the BKPlayground Project.

Hockey Fan Alert!!! Want a chance to win two amazing tickets to the Nov 19 Oilers Game vs Vegas?? Purchase an online raffle ticket on our Link below. Share with fans, friends and family as long as they are Alberta residents and over 18! GoodLuck & Go Oilers Go!

Our Christmas Purdy's Chocolate Campaign begins in November so watch backpacks for information! The proceeds from these chocolate sales will go towards a school wide fun activity - FitsetNinja and much needed Outdoor Recess Playground equipment like soccer balls and basketballs, skipping ropes and hoola hoops and more!

So get your chocolate fix to keep kids busy and moving this winter!! It's a win win!

New Fundraiser Alert!

FOBK will selling Poinsettias this November to raise money for the playground project! Orders will be in by Nov 25 and Pick up will be on December 6 (which is the same pick up date as Purdys!) Enjoy these Christmas flowers sourced locally from Salisbury Greenhouse!

We would also like to share a recap on the successful Halloween Dance! The 50/50 totalled \$488 and the winner was "Cowgirl Shawna Eskiw " who generously donated her winnings back to the BKPlayground Project! Thank you - we are so blessed!

The wheel was a-spinning and pumpkins were a-popping for loads of prizes and fun! Thank you to everyone who donated prizes for the kiddos to enjoy and everyone who volunteered to run the concession and prize stations! At first glance our dance profit roughly \$2200!!!

Thank you so much for helping our vision of a new playground come to fruition!

We are looking for business and companies to donate to our playground project. If you have any leads please share our business donation letter with any of your connections! We have a small business blitz committee started and could use some more helping hands if you have little pockets of time! Check the link below for more info!

Click here to look at the Universal Fundraising Link for all things fundraising:

https://linktr.ee/FOBK