

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2019

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Dates to Remember

Thurs. Oct 24th - Movie Night @ 6:00pm

Fri. Oct 25th - Provincial Pro-D- School is not in session

Thurs. Oct. 31st - Halloween- Parade of Costumes- 1:15 pm

Fri. Nov 1st - Professional Development Day- School not in session

Mon. Nov 4th - Picture Re-takes

Tues. Nov. 5th -Thurs- Nov. 7th - Scholastic Book Fair

Thurs. Nov. 7th - Early Dismissal- @ 11:30- Parent-Teachers conferences- busses will not be running

Fri. Nov. 8th – Remembrance Day Assembly- 10:30am

Mon. Nov 11th - Remembrance Day

School Hours and Bell Schedule”

8:22- Warning Bell

8:27- Class in session

10:20- Recess (15 min)

12:25-12:45- Eating Period

12:45-1:15- Play Break all students

1:15- Class in session

2:25- Dismissal

GREETINGS TO THE BERNARD ELEMENTARY COMMUNITY

The month of **October** is a great time to celebrate “gratefulness”. **Gratitude** promotes optimism and helps us to develop a more positive outlook. **Gratitude** helps people feel more positive emotions, relish good experiences, improve their health, deal with adversity, and build strong relationships. We can be grateful for so many things in Canada. You can help your children by modeling gratefulness, and by reminding them about the many lovely and positive things they have in their lives. Even when times are tough, we can always find many reasons to be thankful.

Brad Johnston Principal

Kristin Sward Vice Principal

Parent Advisory Council

Every parent and guardian of a Bernard Elementary student is automatically a member of the Bernard Elementary PAC. We encourage you to get involved as they are a very important part of our school.

The meeting is on **Tuesday November 12th at 6:30 in the Library**. You are invited. Hope to see you there.



You can order **online** through **Munchalunch** at <https://munchalunch.com/login> or fill out the order sheets and return them with **CASH** to the office.

If you are placing a cash order through the office, please have your order sealed in an envelope or ziplock baggie.

Sorry, we are NOT accepting cheques.

Deadline for orders is November 18th at 230pm.

Delivery date is **Friday November 29th at 2:30pm.**

Please note that the pick up date, Friday November 29th, is a **professional day** for the students.

Also, sellers are responsible for pick up of their orders.

Happy selling!

STUDENT SAFETY –

As part of our effort to keep our students safe, we try to connect with every person who enters the building. You can help by stopping at the front office to check in and out, letting the secretary (Mrs. McCarthy) know who you are and why you are there. If you are dropping off, coming to pick up early, or delivering something, please check in. Parents need to be wearing a **"Volunteer Badge"** if they are in the school during the day. Please note the front doors will be locked during the lunch hours (12:25-1:15). **If you are dropping off or picking up early please come by the school at 12:20.** Thank you!



HOT LUNCH

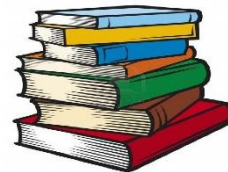
Our new Hot Lunch program (**Munch-a-Lunch**) Please follow the link at <https://munchalunch.com/schools/BernardBC>

The link will allow parents to set up their own personal account. In parents account they can add their children and credit card information. From there they can order online. They can either choose to do 1 hot lunch at a time or fill out the whole session. The program will collect payments. There is a cut off date of 1 week before the lunch is to be served. MunchaLunch will also send out reminders to parents.

BOOK FAIR

It will occur on November 5th, 6th , and 7th

Times: Nov 6th and 7th open at 8:00-8:25am
Nov 5th and 6th - open afterschool to 3:30
Nov 7th open afterschool to 7:30 pm



HOCKEY TICKETS- SUNDAY NOVEMBER 3rd -

Bernard students will be receiving 2 tickets next week for the Chiefs game on Sunday November 3rd. If you are not able to go to the game could you please let your child's teacher know so we can give them out to other families. It would be great if all 500 tickets were used and we have a big group of Bernard students and families.

In/Out days @ Bernard

WHY DO MY KIDS HAVE TO GO OUT IN THE RAIN?"

You are likely aware that we send children out to play every day, rain or shine, barring a torrential downpour or bitter cold, unless a child has been sick. We allow them to play outside because they need the exercise and fresh air, it is good for them, and because most children ask to be able to go outside regardless of the weather (it's actually more fun than screen time!). We adjust these guidelines at times when the weather is bad, and we try to provide fun and active indoor options. We also ask children to wait outside in the morning until the 8:22am warning bell. This is because we cannot guarantee supervision inside until that time, as teachers are busy getting things ready for the day and may not be in the classroom. If you do not want your children to be outside in the rain to start the day, please arrange for them to arrive close to the 8:27 am bell.

We ask you to please ensure your children are dressed properly for the weather.

Thank you

DRILLS – Fire, Earthquake, Lockdown

Several times each year we practice for emergencies. We always hope that we won't need to be prepared, but we prepare in advance just in case something should happen. You may wish to discuss this with your children so that they feel ready but not scared in case of an emergency. It is also reassuring for them to know that the adults in charge of them know exactly what to do.

BERNARD SCHOOL CALENDAR 2019-2020	
PAC Meetings @ 6:30 in Library	, Nov 12, Jan 14, Feb 11, Mar 10, Apr 14, May 12 (AGM), June 9
Popcorn Day	Nov 21, Jan 16, Feb 13, April 23, May 21, June 18
Movie Night @ 6:00pm	Oct 24, Nov 28, Jan 24, Feb 20, April 9 th , May 29 th
HOT LUNCH	Oct 18 th , Nov 22, Dec 20, Jan 24, Feb 14, March 13 th , April 24, May 22,
Professional Development Day	October 25 th (Provincial)
Professional Development Day	November 1
Picture Re-takes	November 4 th
Early Dismissal- no busses- Parent Teacher Conferences	November 7 th @ 11:30
Remembrance Day Assembly	November 8 th @ 10:30-
Remembrance Day- Statutory Holiday	November 11 th
Professional Development Day	November 29 th
Craft Fair @ Bernard	December 7 th 10:00-2:00
Report Cards sent Home	December 13 th
Christmas Concert 1:00 and 6:30pm	December 19 th
Christmas Holidays	December 23 to January 3 th
Schools Reopen after Christmas Holidays	January 6 th
ArtStarts Presentation	January 27 th @ 9:00am
Interim Reports	February 3 rd -7 th
Early Dismissal- no busses	February 6 th @ 11:30
Family Day	February 17 th
Ready, Set, Learn	February 20 th 11:00- 12:30
Professional Development Day	February 21 st
Report cards sent home	March 11 th
Spring Vacation Period	March 16 - 27
Good Friday	April 10
Easter Monday	April 13
Volunteer Tea	April 17 th -10:00-11:00
Professional Development Day	May 1
Professional Development Day	May 15 th
Victoria Day - Statutory Holiday	May 18 th
District Track Meet	June 18 th
Waterslides- Gr 4 & 5 students	June 19 th
Last Day for Students- Early Dismissal @11:25	June 25 th