

BURFORD DISTRICT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



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Important Dates

Nov. 7– Safety Village (Coates, Grondin, Hazaras)
Nov. 8– Dave Levac Visit (G5)
Nov. 9– Picture Re-takes
Nov. 10– Twin Day
Nov. 15-17—Book Fair
Nov 16- Parent/Teacher Interviews in the 4:00-7:00
Nov. 17– PD Day– Parent/Teacher Interviews 8:30-11:40
Nov. 21– Safety Village (Baldwin & Tanaszczuk)
Nov. 22– School Council Meeting at 6:30
Nov 23– Fresh from Farm orders to be picked up after 2:00
Crazy Hair Day
C-CAT Testing Begins
Poinsettia orders due
Nov. 27– Fundscrip orders due
Nov. 30– Poinsettias delivered
BobCat Assembly
Dec. 12—Turkey Dinner

Our Public Health Nurse, Melanie LeBlanc, is in the building every Thursday morning to support health and wellness at BDES.

Message from the Administrators' Desks . . .

The weather is finally changing and so has the face in the front office at BDES. We would like to welcome our new fulltime secretary, Angela Homick. We are looking forward to having her in the office. As the weather changes, we remind students to dress warmly and to bring a change of clothes if necessary. We have organized our lost and found in the school hallway and encourage families to have a look on our interview days on November 16th and 17th.

Progress Reports will go home on November 15th. Teachers will comment on your child's progress in Language and Mathematics as well as their Learning Skills and any other relevant curriculum areas. Interviews will follow the Progress Reports going home. We encourage students to attend the interviews and lead the conversation about their progress.

We are very proud of our soccer teams and our cross country runners who represented our school with hard work and integrity. We thank our parent volunteers and staff coaches for their commitment of time and energy. We look forward to volleyball season.

We would like to thank families for their support of recent fundraisers and charitable ventures. If you have any gently-used coats, or other winter wear, please consider donating it to the Wish Closet at Major Ballachey School. We will be collecting donations from November 1-17th in front of the office.

Parent-Teacher Interviews

Our Parent-Teacher Interviews will be held on the evening of November 16th and the morning of November 17th. Students are encouraged to attend the interviews to tell their parents about the work that they are doing at school.

Please fill out and return this form indicating your preference for time. Interviews will be scheduled for 10 minutes in length. Please check all that apply

Student Name(s) and teacher(s): _____

Preferred times:

Thursday, November 16th

☐ 4:00 – 5:30

☐ 5:30 – 7:00

Friday, November 17

☐ 8:30 – 10:00

☐ 10:00 – 11:30

☐ I would prefer to be contacted by telephone to discuss my child's progress.

Electronic Scoreboard for Burford?

The school is looking at the possibility of raising money to put an electronic scoreboard in the gymnasium. This would be done as a raffle. We are looking for the generous support of our parents and community to help us with this endeavour. The raffle will include but is not limited to many sports items. To date we have several items that have been donated:

Adam Henrique signed New Jersey Devils jersey
Golf passes for Otter Creek (Otterville)
Toronto Blue Jay tickets
Toronto Maple Leaf tickets

We are looking for as many donations as possible to make this raffle a success. If all goes to plan and we have the support of our Bobcat community, we would like to start selling raffle tickets after the Christmas break and have the sales wrapped up by March Break. Our goal is to have the scoreboard in place for next year or possibly even by the end of this year.

If you have any donations for this raffle feel free to contact the school or Mr. Mann at the school directly.

Thank you for this assistance in this matter.

Resources to support learning French

Try these resources to support your child's French language learning.

Tumblebooklibrary.com

Username: brant

Password: Burford

<https://on.cpf.ca>—CPS-Canadian Parents for French. The website has resources for students and parents.



Orders will arrive at the school on November 23rd and will be available for pickup after 2:00 pm or through the day on the 24th. We thank you for your support of this fundraiser. The profit for the school was approximately \$1700. If you are available to assist in assembling the vegetable bundles, please contact the office.

Fundraising

We have three fundraising opportunities leading into the holiday break. All of these would make excellent gifts for the holiday season. Please see the attached order forms and use online payment where possible. Online orders will be set up on November 7th.

Poinsettia Sales: The plants have always been of high quality in the past. Orders are due to the school by November 23rd and plants can be picked up on November 30th.

Fundscrip: Get your gift cards for the holidays and a portion of the profit goes to the school.

Book Fair: Our Book Fair will run in the Library from November 15th—17th. A portion of the profits will support our school library.

Remembrance Day Ceremony

The BDES Remembrance Day Ceremony will take place following first nutrition break on November 10th. We will get the students into the gym as soon as we can after they come in from outdoor play. We hope to begin our ceremony at 11:10. Parents and community members are welcome to attend.



Skating in November

Junior and Intermediate classes have been offered skating dates for the fall and winter. **Participating students must wear a CSA approved hockey helmet (no bike or snow helmets).**



Dates:

Nov 21.—Oakley (9:00-10:00)

Nov. 24—Mann & Wood (11—12:00)

Nov 27.—Schraeder (11-12:00)
MacGregor & Zondag (1:30-2:30)

Nov. 28—Oakley & Caldwell (9—10:00)

Best & Schonbacher (1:30—2:30)

Dec. 1—Mann & Schraeder (11—12:00)

We need volunteers to accompany all classes skating.

Please contact your child's teacher if you are interested in joining us.

