

BPS School Council 2017-2018

April 9th, 2018

Attendance:

Trent Taniguchi

Allen Garlow

Nicholas Sunderland

Tracy Radbourne

Margaret Ferrall

Sean Davidson

Amanda Campbell

Krystal Wass

Laura Bloom

Lisa Piers

Nicole Kohlert

Lisa Galley

Start: 6:35 pm

Agenda – Approved

Minutes – March Meeting – Approved

Principal's Report

OUR VIBRANT SCHOOL COMMUNITY

Our staff continue to provide rich educational and extra-curricular opportunities for the students at BPS. Over the course of the year, our students have benefitted from clubs and activities such as: Coding Club, Art Club, Crochet Club, Ukulele and Guitar Club, Dance Club, Pet Club, Choir, Yoga Club, We Club, Lego and Puzzle Club, as well as team sports and tournaments. Special thanks goes out to the staff and volunteers who organize these events.

We are also so fortunate to have wonderful student leadership in our school. Our PALS (Playground Activity Leaders in Schools), SCC (Spirit Character Crew), and lunch and door monitors continue to impact on our school community in a positive way.

SPIRIT WEEK, 48 HOURS OF KINDNESS & TOONIE TUESDAY

The SCC kicked off Spirit Week and “48 Hours of Kindness” on March 6 offering free coffee and treats to our parents, and helped to create quite the buzz to all those passing by. The SCC challenged the school to hit a goal of \$500 with an added incentive of me dressing up as a UNICORN for a day. I am happy to report that BPS raised **\$635.35** for the Education Foundation which helps to provide emergency funding for food, clothing and medication to students in the OCDSB. I couldn't be more proud of the SCC and all our students for demonstrating their positive character and spirit. Thank you to our entire school community for your generosity.

EARTH HOUR

BPS participated in Earth Hour on Friday, March 23. The whole school worked for an hour with the lights off, and did not use any electronic devices.

MATH LEARNING

Our math teachers spent time last week collaborating, exploring new math resources, and preparing rich math learning materials for students to increase student engagement and achievement. Our math teachers will be participating in one final workshop this year on spiralling math.

CODING CLUB

Our Coding Club teachers recently applied for a Best Buy technology grant. Thanks to Mme Damianakos and Mme Renee for all their time and effort preparing the application form. Fingers crossed!

BPS AUTISM DAY - "A SEA OF BLUE"

On Tuesday, April 3rd, staff and students at BPS kicked off our celebration of World Autism Day by wearing **BLUE** and dancing to **LIGHT IT UP BLUE** by GoNoodle in the gym! Our school photographer, Earl Havlin, took a special photo of staff and students wearing blue. Our Autism Team also registered for the **RAISE THE FLAG** campaign so be sure to check out the flag in our lobby! Special thanks to our dedicated, caring staff for making this day a memorable one. This year, the OCDSB's Autism Spectrum Disorder Team will be hosting a Parent Information Night on **Wednesday April 18th** at 6:00 pm at Sir Robert Borden High School. All parents are welcome to attend.

UPCOMING:

Across the country this weekend, Canadians have been struggling with the news of the tragic accident in Saskatchewan involving the Humboldt Broncos hockey team. The OCDSB will lower the flags on all school and administrative buildings today and tomorrow in recognition of those affected by this accident.

JERSEY DAY FOR THE BRONCOS - APRIL 12

A group of hockey moms in B.C. are doing what they can to show their support during a difficult time. They want to show that hockey families, and everyone across Canada, are there for the Humboldt community, and they're organizing a Jersey Day for the Broncos to show it. **This Thursday**, they are asking that people wear whatever sports jersey they have to show the community of Humboldt that they are not alone. BPS will be participating and everyone is encouraged to wear whatever sport jersey they have. If students don't have a jersey, they are encouraged to wear the Broncos team colours, green and gold. Let's all come together and show our support for these families. Parents, staff, and volunteers are also encouraged to participate and use the hashtag **#JerseysForHumboldt** if posting a picture to social media sites.

SOCIAL MEDIA SAFETY @ HMBPS

Do you want to learn more about *social media safety* for your children? Half Moon Bay Public School is hosting an evening with expert Paul Davis who is an IT professional who has appeared on CTV News, CBC, Global TV and Breakfast TV, educating parents and children alike on this topic.

April 13, 2018

6:30 - 8:00pm

Half Moon Bay P.S

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CLEANING UP THE CAPITAL

BPS will be participating in "Cleaning Up The Capital" on Friday, April 20th from 10:00 - 11:00 AM (Rain date: April 23). This campaign is a citywide cleanup that occurs in the spring and fall every year. People come together as a community and combine efforts to make our city clean and green. 2018 marks the 25th year of the campaign! Cleaning the Capital is an exciting way for residents to foster community pride while ensuring that Ottawa stays clean, green, and graffiti and litter-free.

LONGFIELDS-DAVIDSON HEIGHTS SECONDARY SCHOOL

If your child is attending LDHSS, the grade 6 Information Night will take place on **Tuesday, April 24th 5:30pm-6:45pm**. School tours will start at 5:30PM, followed by the principal's address.

Parent Information Night

There will be a New Parent Information evening on Wednesday, **May 16th at 6:30 PM** in the Cedarview gymnasium. Parents are encouraged to join us for this informative session.

We look forward to seeing you that evening.

**CEDARVIEW MIDDLE
SCHOOL**

On June 13, Grade 6 students from Barrhaven PS will be visiting Cedarview MS from 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM for a student information session which will include a tour of the school.

PRO GRANT 2019 (email from: Brenda Asselstine)

Interested in possibly exploring the option of sharing a show for PRO grant 2019? If we partner then the fee is reduced.

<http://bubbleologyshow.com/>

Part science, part magic, pure fun. You could choose an indoor or outdoor show. I am waiting for the final costs for the show so I don't have those right now. I know you must be very busy, but perhaps you could forward this on to your council chair or person who might be the lead for PRO grant nights.

UPCOMING DATES

April 11 - Popcorn Day

April 12 - Jersey Day (Green/Gold)

April 13 - Social Media Safety (Half Moon Bay)

April 16 - 20 WE CLUB: Plastic Bag Grab Challenge (details to come)

April 20 - Cleaning Up The Capital (10-11AM)

April 20 - BPS Movie Night

April 24 - Longfields-Davidson Heights Information Night (5:30-6:45PM)

April 27 - PD DAY (no school)

April 30 & May 1 - Tennis Clinics (details to come)

May 16 - Grade 6 Incoming Parent Information Night @ Cedarview (6:30 - 7:30PM)

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Events:

- **Autism Awareness Day** was celebrated on Tuesday April 3rd with a special assembly for the entire school. Everyone wore blue and a special photo was

taken to commemorate the day. There is a special display in the front hall highlighting autism and Ms Neale created a video with clips of students and classes dancing to "Light It Up Blue". It is running on the screen in the front hall.

- We will be celebrating **Earth Day** on Friday April 20th by wearing blue and green and participating in a number of different environmentally friendly activities, such as cleaning up the school yard and working on the front garden.
- On April 20th Jill Heinerth, **Canadian Geographic's Explorer in Residence**, will be coming to Barrhaven PS. She will speak to the whole school from 12:00 - 1:00 and then spend the next hour with Mme Damianakos' Grade 4/5 class doing some special activities. She is doing a tour in Ottawa and selected our school among the list to come to. Her focus is on exploring the antarctic and underwater caves and shipwrecks.
http://www.canadiangeographic.com/educational_products/explorer_in_residence.asp?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=cgedu_newletter
- On April 25th there will be a MADD Smart Wheels presentation for the grades 4-6 classes. This was organized by Mme Damianakos.
<https://madd.ca/pages/programs/youth-services/school-programs/>

School clubs and activities for students:

- **We Club**
 - There will be a **Plastic Bag Grab Challenge** from April 16th - 20th. Students are asked to bring in all of their plastic bags for recycling. This is an initiative supported by Walmart.
 - We Club will be sponsoring **Candy-Grams** during Education Week to raise money for their pillar "Opportunity for Kenya". This is still in its planning stages - more information will be coming soon.
- **Coding club**
 - Mme Renee and Mme Damianakos are taking 30 students to the **University of Ottawa Coding Festival** on April 19th for a half day. Mrs. Galley is joining them. Students will learn more about coding in Scratch in a 2 hour workshop.
- **Eco Club** has started for students and will be running until the end of the school year. Right now the focus is on planning for Earth Day, but they will also be working in the school's gardens and participating in some environmental projects.
- **Dance Club** is working on a Flash Mob that will be performed with the entire school outside in June.
- **Jump Rope for Heart** fundraising activities kick off this month with a visit from Heart and Stroke and a skipping demo team on April 18th. The school's fundraising event is scheduled for Thursday May 17th.

- **Basketball** has started for students in Grades 4-6. The tryouts have finished and the teams are practicing for their tournaments.
- There are going to be **tennis lessons** for some classes on April 30th and May 1st, and there will be a **tennis tournament** later in May (tentatively May 16th) at the Larkin Tennis Courts.

Wishlist

- Sports equipment to replenish the storage room
- Kindergarten- Museum of Nature field trip
- Long jump needs fixing. It needs to be filled up with sand. Looking forward- do we want to put in an official long jump pit?

VOTE: To have a cheque for \$3500 to go towards the staff wish list

Motion: Allen Garlow

Second: Krystal Wass

Result: Unanimous

OCASC

- Minutes from this month's meeting can be found on the OCASC website.

Communications

- Movie night communication will come out soon for April movie night
- A tab on the Barrhaven PS website links to our council website

Treasurer

- Current balance \$17953.94
- Lunches, costs for dance, costs for BBQ still to come out
- \$5253.94 is what we have available to spend

Movie Nights

- March 23 movie night- Coco
- \$490 brought in from the March movie
- April 20th- Ferdinand

Lunch Program

- Lunches are running smoothly
- School cash online can be used for the lunch program. Proposal that we stay with Sagato for the lunch program only. We will discuss further at a future meeting. Krystal will look into it more and email finance department for answers.

Fundraising

- Spirit wear (white)- still have some items for sale. Will be available at our council events or through email order bpsparentcouncil@gmail.com
- Mabel's Label's ongoing
- Boston Pizza fundraiser ongoing- write Barrhaven PS on your receipt and put it in the box at the front. Let your server know about it.

Clothing

- Email bpsparentcouncil@gmail.com if you are interested in purchasing any items. We have limited adult sizes and a good selection of youth sizes left.
- We are going to do another clothing order for the 50th Anniversary next school year. Tracy and Maggie will look into suppliers, costs and designs

PRO Grant

- Education week date- May 7th
- Guest speaker and Yoga for students
- More information will come from Lisa Piers and team soon

Spring Dance

- Beach luau theme
- Date: May 25th

Earth Day

- Wear blue and green
- Activities available for the teachers to choose to fit with their class
- Eco club working in the garden
- Clean up the Capital- school yard cleanup
- Scavenger hunt for the classrooms
- School yard cleanup- sweeping gravel Saturday April 21st
- Council will provide coffee and donuts

VOTE: to spend up to \$250 on gardening supplies and plant material

Motion: Allen Garlow

Second: Margaret Ferrall

Result: Unanimous

End of Year BBQ

- Date: Wednesday June 20, 2018

BPS Parent Council 2018 End of year BBQ

Planning Document

Date: Wednesday, June 20, 2018

Time: 4:30 to 6:30

Concessions

- Food:
 - Booster Juice

- Ross' Independent - \$220 trailer rental; supply own food and workers
- Toppers **
- Hot Potato Company – Booked **
- Grilled Cheeserie
- Caribbean Cruiser – Tim to contact
- Smoke Shack – Alyssa to contact
- Taco Truck
- Hot dogs/ hamburgers
- Angry Dragon
- Urban Cowboy
- Curb Appeal – see if they will do a modified menu **
- Drinks: Lemonade truck – booked?
- Dessert:
 - Snow Cone – is this still on the list?
 - Cotton Candy – speak with Maggie
 - Ice Cream trucks – 2 booked
 - Mr. Sundae – stef to contact
- Additions: water/ can drinks (bring up vendors)/ juice boxes, bake sale, popcorn machine

Inflatables

- 50' Obstacle course - \$750
- Carnival slide - \$850
- Animal Kingdom Toddler unit - \$500

Games

- Scavenger hunt – stamps, maps, clues
- Sucker pull – get various types of suckers, cheap prizes
- Splash machine – teacher/ principal volunteer list

Activities

- Tattoo bar – Maggie to order tattoos
- Face painting
- Bubble table – bubbles, disposable cups, bubble dispenser (laundry soap container), wands
- Chalk maze
- Kemptville animal sanctuary petting zoo
- Fire truck – Book 2 months before – Call April 20
- Police car – booked; follow up June 1
- Guide dogs
- Humane Society
- Big Sky Ranch
- K2 demonstration
- Zoo Crew
- Star Wars Garrison 501

- High school band

Volunteers

- Laura to coordinate day of, with potential meet up 2-3 days prior
- Contact John McRae and Cedarview to gauge interest
- Volunteers needed – Total 27
 - Ambassadors 2 (walking around, addressing issues, surge help)
 - Inflatables 3-6
 - Splash station 1
 - Cotton candy 1
 - Bake sale 3
 - Water/ drinks 1
 - Sucker Pull 1-2
 - Food 4 (if we decide to do our own hamburgers and hot dogs)
 - Tattoo centre 2
 - Scavenger Hunt 1
 - Bubble station 1 (could be combined with scavenger hunt)
 - Kinder yard 1-3

Communication

- Bring a lawn chair
- Facebook, twitter, flyer, Wolf Pack newsletter, BPS Webpage
- Need to reach out 2-4 weeks before event

Extras

- Extension cords – donate from parents
- Tables (donated)/ table cloths
- Shirts for Parent Council – check with vistaprint.ca
- Day care for younger kids in JK yard; or just volunteers
- Yard space – contact city for permission
- Additional seating – benches/ chairs/ picnic tables
- Hand wash stations – paper towels, Purell, garbage cans, water

Meeting adjourned: 8:44 pm

FOR DISCUSSION AT NEXT MEETING

- School charter

Next Meeting: Monday May 7th, 2018 at 6:30pm.