



BELLS CORNERS PUBLIC SCHOOL

BULLDOGS

May 27th, 2022

Dear BCPS Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

What a week it has been! We understand that this has been a very challenging time for our Bells Corners community. We wait in anticipation for power to be restored to our building and welcome staff and students back. We know that many families and staff continue to experience challenging circumstances.

We want to remind families of the City of Ottawa's [Emergency Reception Centres](#) where residents can access power, washrooms and other services. These centres are expected to be open for the next few days.



GRADE 6 parents - SAVE The Date

Parents and students will be attending an in person graduation ceremony on June 24th at 10am to 12pm. We look forward to welcoming our families to our in person event and celebrating the grade 6 achievements.

[Grade 6 Grad T-Shirt Order Form](#) & [Grade 6 Grad RSVP](#)

PD Day: June 3rd

Just a reminder that Friday, June 3rd is a professional development day for staff and schools will be closed.

BCPS's Walk and Roll to School Week: May 31st to June 6th

The idea was inspired by OSTA in an effort to get students walking to school. We will be promoting healthy activity for all students from K to 6. Each class will be given ballots for students who simply share their activity with their classroom teacher to enter their name in a draw for an outdoor themed kit for Kindergarten/Primary students and a Bike for Junior students.

FREE online literacy and STEM program

Frontier College Ottawa, in partnership with Let's Talk Science in Ottawa, is offering Science Saturdays, a weekly online literacy and STEM program for children ages 6 to 12. Enjoy STEM learning from the comfort of your own home, where each week we cover a new Science theme and engage in a fun, interactive hands-on science experiment using everyday household materials. You just bring your love for science, and we'll bring the fun science education. Sessions are held every Saturday morning at 10:00-11:00 am on ZOOM. Each session includes one story reading and one STEM-related craft centred around the theme. Registration is completely free, optional and on a drop-in basis!

To sign up, fill out the form below to be added to our email list. You will receive weekly emails with details for each session. <https://frontiercollege.wufoo.com/forms/qk850ho1nls5sw/>

To learn more about Frontier College and Let's Talk Science:

<https://www.frontiercollege.ca/About-Us>

<https://letstalkscience.ca/about-us>

June 27th - Grade 6s Transition to Bell Intermediate High School

A message from the principal at Bell Intermediate

*We're excited to invite future Bell students and community to **drop in** for a hot dog, drink and walk through the school between **12:30-2:30 on Monday June 27**. Parents and students are welcome to explore the school, as the*

high school students are expected to have finished classes and exams and therefore will not be in the building. With many families requesting individual tours/information, we have created an opportunity for any and all families and groups to visit. We will hold additional small group visits/tours for new students in late August.

We will be sending out permission forms shortly to allow students to walk over from Bells Corners. Families are welcome to walk with us as well or take their student themselves.

Concussion Forms

Please don't forget to send back the concussion forms (yellow sheets) back to your child's homeroom teacher as soon as possible so students can participate in upcoming activities in June.



Kindergarten Playstructure News

We have great news to share with our BCPS families and community! Construction on our new Kindergarten playground and play structure will begin July 2022! We thank our School Council who have worked tirelessly to ensure that we have the funds to move forward with this project. Thank you to the BCPS community and families for making the Kindergarten yard possible!



Tuesday, June 14th between 9:15 and 3:00, our kinder team will be conducting intake interviews for our new JK and SK students for September 2022. We will be emailing families with their interview time slot which will be 15 minutes in length. After your interview, you will be invited to tour our kindergarten classroom and yard before ending your visit. We look forward to welcoming all our new families and students!



Grade 6: Begin EQAO May 30

Grade 6 students will begin EQAO assessment on May 30th and May 31st. Accommodation of appointments outside of this time frame would be greatly appreciated.

Note: The [Sample Test - Junior](#) are available for students, parents and educators to become familiar with the digital assessments and the e-assessment platform.



Red Bus

The Red Bus arrives every day at 4:20pm at BCPS. The bus driver has a prior run, which has changed the time for pick up at BCPS. Please adjust for this change in timing.

School Council News



The School Council would like to organize an end of year BBQ for staff, students and families to gather and enjoy. They need volunteers after school hours who are interested in helping out to organize the BBQ. Please email: bellscornerscouncil@gmail.com

Have a wonderful weekend!

Take Care,
Sadhana and Elysa