

# DEAR BVE STUDENTS AND FAMILIES,

This past week we held Goal Setting conferences for students, with their parents/caregivers and their teacher, talk about goals and next steps for learning. Thank you so much to everyone who participated in these conferences!

This month, students and staff have been enjoying the opportunity to take learning outside whenever the weather cooperates, including practicing important math skills. Surveys and data collection, taking measurements, finding and creating patterns, estimating and solving can all be done outside the classroom, and often this helps students understand that math is truly all around them all the time, and that the skills they are learning are applicable and transferable. One of our school goals is focusing on Numeracy, and on instructional routines and practices that help our



students feel confident, capable and excited to learn! On the October 25<sup>th</sup> ProD Day, many staff took in some professional development on Numeracy.

As many of you may be aware, the District is developing a new cell phone policy. At BVE our policy is quite simple: please keep all connected devices at home. We are fortunate that we have school iPads and laptops to support our learning where needed. Thank you for your cooperation as a family to keep the cell phones and connected devices from coming to school at all – once they are

here the temptation to use them is great. If you need to reach your child, or vice versa, the office phone can be used.

Through the month of October, our school-wide focus has been on the Core Competencies related to personal and social responsibility. We have been using the Secwepemc stories of Swan to help us reflect on positive ways we can have an impact. Many students have been recognized in assemblies for exemplifying kindness, helping resolve disputes, recognizing their own and others' strengths and gifts, lending a hand, and generally keeping things positive at school. Students at BVE show



up in these ways every day, and they aren't always recognized for it. But it is this ability to look for the goodness in one self and others that helps everyone 'grow together and be our best'.

Please read on to see what else we've been up to, and what is around the corner this year! Sincerely,

Ariel McDowell BVE Principal

### **Upcoming Dates:**

November 1<sup>st</sup> Regular BVE Assembly 8:40-9:10 Everyone welcome!

November 4<sup>th</sup> PAC meeting 6:30 pm, BVE Library

November 4<sup>th</sup> Art Card ordering available

Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> District Gr 6&7 Badminton tournaments

November 7<sup>th</sup> Remembrance Day assembly at BVE (10:40am to approx. 11:am)

November 8<sup>th</sup> Professional Development Day (No school)

November 11<sup>th</sup> Remembrance Day (No school)

November 12<sup>th</sup> Parent Presentation with Nurse Wysluzyl: Talking about sexual health with

children at home 6:30pm at the RSS Library (upstairs at RSS)

November 13<sup>th</sup> District provided hot lunch – Mac and Cheese(please send a container with

lid, and a fork)

November 13-15<sup>th</sup> Avalanche Canada teaching Winter and Avalanche safety to BVE classes

November 19-21<sup>st</sup> Fable Book Fair (BVE Library)

November 15<sup>th</sup> Regular BVE Assembly 8:40-9:10 Everyone welcome!

November 26<sup>th</sup> Purdy's orders due (order forms will go home early November)

November 29<sup>th</sup> Regular BVE Assembly (8:40-9:10am) everyone welcome!

December 13<sup>th</sup> First Learning Update home (report card © )

December 17<sup>th</sup>
December 19<sup>th</sup>
PAC Green Christmas

December 21-Jan. 6 Winter Break

January 6<sup>th</sup> School re-opens, first 2025 PAC meeting 6:30pm

### **Volunteer Opportunities**

There's always lots going on, and many ways to contribute your gifts to BVE! Here are a few ways

we are looking for help in the weeks ahead:

- Sewing exploration we need support with our Sewing Exploration for Grades 6 & 7. Commitment: Fridays from 1:00-2:15
- Lost and Found weekly organizing, posting of pictures of items on the PAC FB page
- Breakfast program prepare and deliver plates of yummy food to each classroom. Commitment: approx. 1 hour, once a week (7:30-8:30am)

### **Art Fundraiser for BVE!**

# Students Make Professional Art... ...School Makes Money!



Our young artists have been busy creating artwork for our annual school fundraiser. Your child's artwork can be made into greeting cards, blankets, stickers, lunch kits, calendars, and more! For every purchase, 30% of the value goes back to the school.

Artwork was shared with families during conferences on early dismissal days, or by

email, blog, or classroom newsletter. If you have not seen your child's artwork – please reach out to the classroom teacher. **Last day to order is November 4**<sup>th</sup>. All ordering is online at: www.createdbykids.ca and use the code: BGVE2024

### **Library News**

Ms. Wilson will again be offering Battle of the Books this year! This reading program will be rolling out at the end of the month and is open to students in grades 3-7. Students will have 10 books to read

by March, at which time we will go to battle against AHE and CPE to see who knows the books the best. This year, the Battle will take place at CPE. There will be information meetings in the library during recess in the last week of November.



### **Book Fair 19, 20 & 21**

Ms. Wilson and Ms. Wegner have been working with local bookstore Fable to put on a Book Fair this month! Proceeds from the Fair will help the library to buy more books for our school! Here is a message from Fable to help us get ready: Fable Book Parlour is very excited to host this year's BVE Book Fair! We'll be set up in the BVE library Tues Nov 19th 12 pm - 5:30 pm, Wed Nov 20th 8:30 - 5:30 pm, and Thurs Nov 21st 8:30 am - 12 pm.

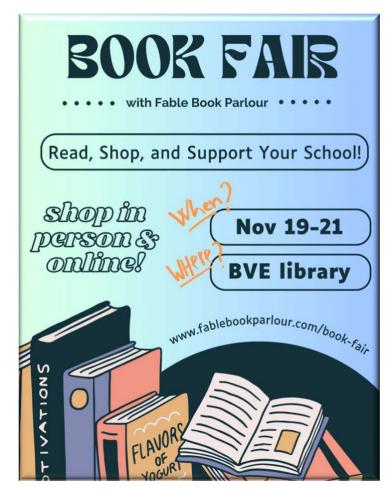
#### Two Ways to Shop:

1) ONLINE: Browse the Book Fair tab of our website, build an order, pay now and pick up when we visit your school.

### (www.fablebookparlour.com/book-fair)

2) AT SCHOOL: Come see us at your school Book Fair to shop books, posters, stationary and more! Don't want to send your kids with cash? Send them with a Fable Gift Card! Purchase one just for Book Fair or use those Fable Gift Cards you got as birthday presents.

See you soon! - Stacy & Kristin"



# Cross Corsuccess the all, despite Thank you

Cross Country Running was a "run away" success this season! Students gave it their all, despite some cold weather conditions. Thank you to coaches Weddell, Tracey Hill and Tomm for getting our students out on the trails!

**Extracurricular Sports** 

We are excited that Ms. Sydney Hill, Mr. Leung and Ms. Kramer have started to offer Gr. 6/7 badminton as an after school extracurricular option, with District tournaments beginning later this month. Additionally, two parents, Emily Grady and Melissa Klages, will offer a Junior



Another parent volunteer, Peter Dixon, will offer indoor soccer to students in Grades 3&4 starting the week of November 11<sup>th</sup>. Permission slips and info will be available in the office if your child is interested!



Kindergartens and K/1s have had a chance to visit the Gymnastics centre for three sessions with Coach Cameron already this year. We are so grateful for the opportunity! As you may know, each grade in School District 19 gets a chance to explore different sports throughout the years. The District funds these Sports Explorations, and we are very fortunate. Here they are by grade: Kindergarten – Gymnastics, Grade One – skating, Grade 2 and 5 – swimming, Grade 3 and 6 – skiing or snowboarding, Grade 4 – Nordic skiing, Grade 7 curling and golfing. There has

been some discussion about having Grade 6 students go climbing rather than ski/snowboarding this year, but this has been tabled for a year. Classes rely on many community volunteers and coaches to make these programs possible, so a huge shout out to all of the folks involved!

### **Student Vote**

Recently, Grade 6 and 7 students have been learning about the Provincial election process. Students researched each of the major party platforms and





shared these policy ideas with their classmates. They participated in a mock election, with scrutineers from Ms. Langlois' class. Similar to the actual Provincial election, no results for the school have yet been announced... ©

### Fall Drop Off and Pick Up

The snow is on the way, so a huge **THANK YOU** to everyone for your continued cooperation to drop off and pick up on Ninth Street. **Only families with children in Cornerstones childcare, Kindergarten or Grade One may enter the BVE cul-de-sac by car for drop of AND pick up.** 

### **Indigenous Education**

School District 19 (Revelstoke) has been working with a local web design company called Salt and Cedar to update the District websites. Most recently the <u>Indigenous Education</u> pages have gone

live, and we hope you'll explore the pages and let us know what you think! This month's Indigenous field trips will explore the history of the Sinixt on this land. A brief Art Alleries tour will highlight the work of Ric Gendron and the important Sinixt ancestors that are featured in his painting 'Coming Home'. We will then walk over to the Revelstoke Museum & Archives for a guided tour of the Sinixt focussed exhibit, 'Sinixt: People of the Place of the Bull Trout'. Note that not all classes will be able to do this field trip, but each month there are different field trips that your child's class may get to explore as the year goes on..



# **School Supply Fee Reminder**

If you have not yet paid for your child's school supplies, please do so as soon as possible. The cost is \$37 plus \$8 for agendas. Families with 3 or more children are asked to pay a discounted total of \$80.



### **PAC NEWS**

The November PAC meeting is Monday, November 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in the BVE Library. Childcare is available for FREE, provided by two Grade 7 students! So come on out © The Begbie View Elementary Parent Advisory Council (BVE PAC) supports BVE events, activities, equipment and more throughout the year....and you might not be aware that every BVE parent is a member of the PAC. There are many

opportunities throughout the year to contribute – you can help as much or as little as you are able.

The Purdy's fundraiser will be happening again this year! Please watch for order forms coming home soon. Ongoing PAC fundraisers also include Lovable Labels (which help keep items from ending up in the Lost and Found!) and True Earth.



# Get ready for PAC Green Christmas December 19th

On December the 21<sup>st</sup> we will have our annual Green Christmas Craft Fair. Families donate crafts or items, and our students get to "shop" for Christmas. Each class comes through, and students can purchase gifts and have them gift wrapped. All items will cost between 25cents, up to a few dollars. Please start thinking about what items your family would like to donate. These items can be homemade crafts or recycled items that you would like to receive yourself. Ideas include: premixed

seasonal hot chocolate, kitchen utensils, dish towels, jewelry, magazines, mugs, sunglasses, books, homemade table centre pieces, candles, etc! The possibilities are endless! We ask that each family donate about 10 items per child if possible. You are also welcome to donate more than that! We kindly ask that donated items are not too large, as children will be transporting them home. **Donations of wrapping paper or gift bags are also appreciated.** 



You can start dropping off items on Monday, Dec 16<sup>th</sup>.

We will also be looking for volunteers to help sell the items and wrap them - sign up on the PAC board or on the BVE Parents Facebook page.

Please send a small amount of money with your children the morning of Dec.19<sup>th</sup> so they may go Christmas shopping! Items are tailored to your child's budget. Also please send along a bag so that your child can take home their gifts.



### **Remembrance Day**

Our school Remembrance Day ceremony will be held on November 7<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to Ms. Embury and Ms. Harrison for organizing us, to Grade 6s and 7s

for hosting the ceremony, and to Ms. Schadinger's class for reciting In Flander's Fields. Please send a small donation if you can to support the Canadian Legion Poppy Campaign. Each child will receive a poppy on November 9th. Here is a <u>video</u> from the Legion about how funds raised from the Poppy Campaign support the work of the Legion.





### **Fire Prevention Week**

We are grateful to the Revelstoke Fire Department who has had many BVE classes through the Fire Station for lots of learning and a great tour. We learned about the importance of smoke alarms, and how to keep them working.

Congratulations to Luke Shauer who will be Fire Chief for a Day! We're looking forward to a visit from the Fire Department in the big truck!

**STAY CONNECTED!** Please visit our website **begbieview.sd19.bc.ca**