BVE January Newsletter

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Principal's Message

Happy New Year, Families of BVE! I hope that you have had some time over the school break to enjoy being together! While I love the bustle of BVE in December, with all the holiday excitement and preparation, I always look forward to January, and the intentional, focused learning and growth that one can observe in students and classrooms at this time of year. Our three school goals help frame the work we continue to do together for the remainder of the school year:

- 1. Maintaining a safe, engaging and inclusive school environment;
- 2. Student-centred, data-informed teaching and learning;
- Work to implement the School District No. 19 Policy on Reconciliation, enhance opportunities for learning stories, language, and history Indigenous to this place

On behalf of all of us here at BVE, we wish you and your wonderful family joy, peace and love throughout the year! Sincerely, Ariel McDowell BVE Principal



Kindergarten Grinches and other Concert Fun



Door decorating filled BVE with seasonal joy!

Dates to Note:

Mon. Jan. 6 BVE PAC meeting 6:30pm

<u>Tues. Jan 7</u> Skating exploration begins (Gr 1 & K/1)

Weds. Jan 8 FREE Hot Lunch

Thurs. Jan 9 Ski/Snowboard begins for Gr.6

<u>Fri. Jan 10</u> Assembly 8:40-9:10 (all welcome!); Gr 3 to RMR for first ski/snowboard exploration

<u>Mon. Jan 13</u> Nordic ski exploration begins (Gr.4)

<u>Fri. Jan 17</u> Buddy activity; PALS for Rogers' & Malcolm's class

Weds. Jan 22 FREE Hot Lunch

Thurs. Jan 23 Curling exploration begins (Gr. 7)

<u>Fri. Jan 24</u> Assembly; Dress as your favourite Book Character Day; PALS for Ms. Evans' class; PAC Glow Dance

Thurs. Jan 30 POPS for Grade 1s

Fri. Jan 31 Buddy activity

Mon. Feb 3 PAC meeting

Fri. Feb 7 Assembly (all welcome)

Thurs Feb 13 Spirit Day: Rainbow Day

Fri. Feb 14 ProD Day (no school for students)

Mon. Feb 17 Family Day (no school)

Fri. Feb 21 Assembly (all welcome)

<u>Wed. Feb 26</u> Pink Shirt Day (Anti-bullying Day)

March 15-March 30 Spring Break

Volunteer Opportunities at BVE:

We are always grateful for your help! Here are some ways you can help out this month if you have time:

- Hot lunch set up and serving 11:30-12:30 Jan 8, Jan 22, Feb 5, Feb 18-20
- Lost and Found organizing/posting photos
- Basketball referee for Thursday home games starting mid-January 3:00-5:00



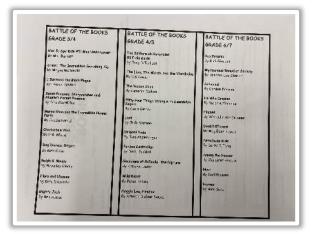


Battle of the Books

This annual reading program 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 is still plenty of time to get started!

Basketball

The District Grade 6 & 7 Basketball season has begun, with teacher coaches Ms. Floyd and Ms. Wall (Girls' team), and Mr. Leung, Ms. Langlois and Mr. Weddell (Boys' team). The teams will compete against the other two Elementary schools each Thursday after school, with a wrap up tournament in late February.



Learning from Salmon

This year, we have been learning some Secwepemc stories about different animals' gifts. These stories help us contemplate our own contributions and ways of learning. Secwepemc Salmon stories emphasize that Salmon is a creative and determined problem solver. Salmon stories teach us to be resilient, persistent, and adaptable.



Leadership around BVE

• Thank you to the Grade 7 Grade Committee, led by parents Katrina Antonakis and Lis Harris for the beautiful table centrepieces they made, and thank you to all the folks who purchased a centrepiece – your purchase supports our Grade 7s to save up for their trip to Sunnybrae in late May!

BVE Concert and Food Bank Donations!

The 2024 Christmas concert was an enjoyable way to kick off the season! Many of you contributed very generously to the Food Bank on your way in the door, and on your behalf we donated \$816.47 to the local food bank.

BVE Drop Off and Pick Up

As always, THANK YOU to everyone who continues to drop off and pick up on Ninth Street. If you have gotten out of the habit of dropping off on Ninth, please remember: <u>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.</u>

PAC Thank you!

Thank you to the PAC who organized such a successful Green Christmas event just before the break. Hopefully some treasures found appreciative recipients, and children enjoyed being able to give items to people they care about







BVE PAC Updates:

The next PAC meeting will be Monday, January 6th at 6:30pm in the BVE Library. Childcare is available for FREE, provided

by two Intermediate 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. There are two ongoing fundraisers that your family can benefit from, and which also benefit our PAC: Lovable Labels and TrueEarth.



District Grade Activities:

Each year the School District supports a variety of activities within the community for each grade to participate in. **Grade 3** and **6** students will head to Revelstoke Mountain Resort for **Alpine skiing/snowboarding** instruction with the RMR ski school. The Grade Ones will be going skating at the Forum, and the Grade 4's will be heading to Mt. MacPherson for **Nordic ski** lessons with the Revelstoke Nordic club coaches.

As the year progresses, each grade will again be offered a different sports exploration opportunity in the community. Kindergartens have done Gymnastics,

Grade 2s and 5s will swim, and Grade 7s will curl and golf. The school district provides financial support for the programs and therefore there is no fee for students for any of these activities.

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