

# Barkers Point School

NEWSLETTER NO. 2

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Autumn has officially arrived and the air is cool and crisp in the mornings. It is the time of year when we see mittens and gloves during early morning play periods. As it warms up through the

day these items are no longer needed and many become misplaced. Please remember to label your child's clothing and remind them to bring these items home each day. If your son/daughter is missing anything we have a LOST and FOUND area set up in the foyer of the school; please feel free to drop anytime!

## Home & School

The next meeting of the Home & School will be held on Wednesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 pm. This meeting will take place in the school's cafeteria. We will be planning games and details of our upcoming Family Fun Night. This exciting night is scheduled for Friday, October 25<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 – 7:30 pm. New members are ALWAYS welcome to attend these meetings. Hope to see you there!



## School Safety Week

School Safety Week is being held from October 21<sup>st</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>. this week. Activities are planned throughout the week to teach our students the importance of safety and the procedures to

follow during an emergency. The following is an outline of the week's activities:

**Monday** – Fire Drill

**Tuesday** – School Lockdown & Dino Bus Presentation

**Wednesday**- School Evacuation

**Thursday**- Bus Evacuation

**Friday**- School Lockdown

If you have any questions or concerns regarding School Safety Week please feel free to contact a member of the administration.



## Parent School Support Committee

Barkers Point School PSSC held its first meeting on September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019. The following parents make up the PSSC:

Courtney Rickard	Parent
Emily Hayward	Parent
Jennifer Keizer	Parent
Laura Greer	Parent /Home& School Rep.
Jon Brown	Parent
Marc Cabot	Parent
Jane Buckley	DEC Rep.

Kim Hawkes	Vice Principal
Jennifer Ward	Principal

If you are interested in being part of the PSSC please contact Mrs. Ward or Miss Hawkes. If you know of a community member who would be interested in joining as well, please forward their name to Mrs. Ward. The PSSC meets approximately seven times a year. Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 9th at 6:00 pm.

### School Closures.



all their BPS families a wonderful Thanksgiving Day!

Schools will be closed on Monday, October 14<sup>th</sup> for Thanksgiving Day. The staff wishes

### School Pictures

School Pictures for the 2019-2020 school year will be held on Tuesday, October 15<sup>th</sup>. Harvey Studios will be taking your son/daughters pictures on this date. A reminder card will be sent home as the date gets closer. This card will indicate the best colored clothing to wear. Students who are absent on this date will have an opportunity to have their picture taken on RETAKE day. This date has yet to be scheduled.



### After School Drama Club



Mrs. Doran will be holding Drama Club each Thursday

after school from 3-4 pm. The drama group will begin on Thursday, October 9<sup>th</sup>.

### School Choir

Our Music teacher, Mrs. Doran will be running a school choir each Monday at noon recess for



interested students in grades 3-5. If your son/daughter is interested in being part of the choir please have them see Mrs. Doran.

### Guidance Corner

Every year we focus on a number of character traits we want to build in our students. We are starting this October with GRATITUDE at B.P.S. Teachers will be spending some time in their rooms discussing gratitude, and we hope that you can do the same at home. Here is a great video which may help spark the conversation.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U5lZBjWDR\\_c&t=224s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U5lZBjWDR_c&t=224s)

The first B.P.S. Parent Information Session will be taking place on Wednesday October 23<sup>rd</sup> from 6:30 – 7:30. We will be presenting the school programs that we have in place here.

### Specifically we will talk about:

- 1) the Red, Yellow, and Green slips we use for behaviour tracking
- 2) Our school wide Character Trait Program in developing strong children
- 3) Our Zones of Regulation Program which teaches children self-regulation skills.

We will have child-care available as well as coffee and snacks. It would be nice to know the number of people to expect in order to

help me prepare. Drop me a line if you plan to attend.

### Terry Fox Run/Walk



The students and staff of Barkers Point School participated in the Terry Fox Run/Walk on Friday, September 27<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you to all our BPS families who donated over \$400 to Cancer Research.

### Paint and Chat

Madame Lavigne will hold her first After School Paint & Chat on Friday, October 25<sup>th</sup> from 3-5 pm. This exciting opportunity is open to students in Grades 3-5. If your son/daughter is interested please forward \$10 payment using School Cash Online.



### Important Dates to Remember

**October 2<sup>nd</sup>** – Home & School Meeting 6:30 pm

**October 2<sup>nd</sup>** – Cross Country O'Dell Park

**October 9<sup>th</sup>** – PSSC meeting 6:00 pm

**October 9<sup>th</sup>** – Cross Country Nasis Middle School

**October 14<sup>th</sup>** – Thanksgiving Monday – Schools Closed

**October 15<sup>th</sup>** – Picture Day

**October 23<sup>rd</sup>** – Guidance Information Session 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

**October 25<sup>th</sup>** – Paint & Chat 3 – 5 pm

**October 25<sup>th</sup>** – Family Fun Night 6:00 – 7:30 pm