

Bandit Bulletin March, 2018 News



Upcoming Events:

- March 1- School Messenger Text Alert System Starts
- March 6- Kick Off for Grade 3 PBL
- March 7- Hot Lunch- Subway
- March 9- School Assembly - 1:15 p.m.
- March 14- Grade 4 / 5 Basketball Tournament 4:00- 7:30 p.m.
- March 16- Crazy Hair/Hat Day, wear green
- March 20 - Report cards available online
- March 21- Hot Lunch- Boston Pizza
- March 22- A.M. Staff Learning & Planning (No School for Students)
- P.M. Student Led Conferences

from 1 - 8 p.m.

- March 23- No School - District PD
- March 26- No School- Spring Break
- April 3- Classes Resume



New System for Text Reminds: EBWS is moving to a new system called **School Messenger** for sending text alerts & will be discontinuing Remind as of March 1st. You

can sign up by texting "Y" to 978338.



Look Who's Been Sent to the Office for good work: Hailey Jackson, Gregory Morin, Alana Tiffinger, Ashley Pearson, Kai Chan, Kaitlyn Hartnoll, Max Kostenuk, Benni Lehman, Ben Luck

and Anika McPhee.

Principal's Message

As the calendar turns to March and we start to move towards warmer weather, we have much to be thankful for here at Ecole Barrie Wilson School. One of the things we are most thankful for is the tremendous support we have received from parents at our school. Just this past month, we have had parents organize our Family Skating Night where students and their families enjoyed skating, hot chocolate and games. Our parents hosted hot lunches and helped twice a week with our skating program. Both of our family ski nights were a big success with many families braving the cold and enjoying the evenings. We continually have had tremendous parental support at EBWS, which makes so many things possible! We wanted to thank Parent Council for treating us to a staff appreciation day on Tuesday.

We have several events to look forward to in the coming weeks, including the assembly on March 9th, the grade 4 & 5 basketball tournament on March 14 and parent student led conferences at the end of the month. We look forward to seeing many of you at these events.

Chris Good

Look Who's Been Sent to the Office



Wilson Ways - Our students have been doing a great job demonstrating our three Wilson Ways of Be Respectful, Be Responsible and Be Resilient. We continue to host weekly B3 lessons Monday afternoons where we discuss and demonstrate what the Wilson Ways are all about with students. This month we will be doing a 3 part series on health and nutrition.

We will host our Pizza Recognition Lunch on March 2nd. Jasper Schmitt, Evie Johanson, Nevaeh Bousquet, Keaton Larsen, Merric Roe, Ryan Fargey, Eve Baird, Kaden Rauckman, Tristyn Taje, Israel Manirakiza, Lincoln Williams, Layla Hesp and Taha Soomro get to have lunch with Mr. Good, Madame Eidem, and Mrs. Engert to celebrate!

P B L

Project Based Learning

PBL Projects- Check out some amazing PBL projects that are happening at Barrie Wilson:

Grade 3's: This year the grade 3 project-based learning experience will be centered around the notion of Global Citizenship. The driving question is: "How can we, as global citizens, help each other?"

This topic lends itself to a meaningful exploration of how people get organized to help each other! To set the stage for this project, our Grade 3 students have learned about our rights and responsibilities in the context of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child.

On Tuesday, March 6th, students will participate in a volunteer fair as part of our Global Citizenship Kickoff to introduce the next phase of their learning. Agencies such as Habitat for Humanity, The Lending Cupboard and Home for Hope will be joining the grade 3 classes to explain how they help others both locally and globally. Students will have the chance to ask questions about different organizations and listen to first hand experiences from people who are making a difference in the lives of others.

Following this event, students will identify and research one local or international organization that helps people in need. Students will choose the best way to share their information and will become "experts" for other students in our school, and for families during student-led conferences on March 22nd.

Grade 5's: The grade fives are deep into their PBL learning on Immigration. They have researched and presented on a particular group who has immigrated to Canada. They are now working on creating an online game to show what they have learned. They are creating their game on the coding program called "Scratch". In April they will present their games during a PBL Parent Night here at the school, and a City-Wide Arcade at Red Deer College.

Grade One Art Show- Thank you to everyone who participated in and supported the Art Gallery that was part of the Grade One PBL. \$1143.00 was raised for the new playground structure!

Kindergarten Registration- Kindergarten registration for 2018-2019 continues. This year we offer the choice of morning or afternoon French Immersion



Kindergarten, a full day every other day English Kindergarten and a morning or afternoon Kindergarten in our English Program. All students who turn 5 before December 31, 2018 are eligible. Once you complete the online registration, you will be required to submit a copy of your child's birth certificate to the office to complete the registration process.



Lost & Found - Over the winter months we have accumulated a HUGE amount of mittens, snow

pants, toques, hoodies and other clothing items in our lost & found. The items will be on "display" in the gathering area during student led conferences and any unclaimed items as of Friday, March 23, will be donated to charity.



Basketball Tournament -

Our grade 4 & 5 students have been having a lot of fun practicing and playing basketball at noon hour for the past few weeks. To complete our grade 4 & 5 intramural basketball program, we are hosting a year end tournament on March 14th where we will be playing games against teams from several other schools. This year the tournament will be held at Lindsay Thurber High School, the students are really excited to get to play at the big gym. Thanks to Mrs. McKeage, Mrs. Johnstone, Mrs. Oprechok, Mr. Cochrane, and Mr. Good for their work in making our basketball program a success.

Ski Loppet- We had 40 students from Ecole Barrie Wilson who participated in the loppet on February 14th. Congratulations to Naomi Schmidt who placed 1st (from grade 4) and to Lyla McKeage who placed 3rd (from grade five)! A fantastic effort was put in by all!

Family Skate Night - Became Family Fun Night! About 60 people attended and braved the freezing cold weather. Everyone enjoyed activities in the gym and on the ice and then drank hot chocolate in the gathering area. Thank you to the Parent Council for hosting this fun evening.



Family Ski Night - The EBWS parent council hosted their second family ski night on February 16th. More than 100 students, parents and staff participated!

THANK YOU!

Skating/ Cross Country
Skiing/Snowshoeing/Sledges - A BIG thank you to Mrs. McKeage for setting up our skating/skiing/sledge & snowshoe

schedule. The students have developed some great skating and skiing skills. We would also like to **thank the many parents** who were able to come out and tie skates, carry equipment and ensure that our skating program was a success on the days the weather cooperated.

The Winter Sports Day on February 16th was a huge success! Thanks to Kim Baile and Nancy McKeage for organizing and setting up this amazing event! Every student had the opportunity to participate in a variety of fun



activities such as Schlockey, curling, obstacle courses, the luge, biathlon & big ski - and many more fun events! The staff challenged the students to a hockey game during the lunch hour. (teachers won of course, haha) Thanks to the parent council for providing hot chocolate to every student after their outdoor event. Fun was had by all!



Library News: Click here to read [The Link](#), The library's program guide for March, April and May.



Click here to check out a district Math newsletter: [Math Matters: Tips for Parents](#)



CANADIAN PARENTS FOR FRENCH

French Classes for Everyone- Canadian Parents for French are offering French Level 1 and 2. This will be once a week classes to provide you with an introduction to French, enhance your existing skills or to provide parents with helpful hints on how to help their children. Check out this link for more information. [French Class Information](#)