

## ***From the Principal's Desk – Changes Coming to Bells Corners Public School***

I wanted to share some important information about changes coming to Bells Corners Public School beginning September 2017. These changes are the result of decisions from the recent Western Area Accommodation Review. More information about the review and the decisions is available on the district [website](#).

Beginning in September 2017, Bells Corners Public School (BCPS) will become a **JK to Grade 6 school** and will continue to offer English with Core French and Middle French Immersion. The Language Learning Disabilities (LLD) classes will continue to be located at our school. Students residing in our community who wish to enroll in the Early French Immersion Program will continue to do so at Lakeview Public School.

We look forward to having our current Grade 5 students stay with us for another school year. Once they complete Grade 6 at BCPS, they will move on to Bell High School which will become a Grade 7 to 12 school. The Grade 7 and 8 programs at Bell HS will include English with Core French, Middle French Immersion, and Early French Immersion.

In addition, Bell HS will become the new location for 3 specialized program classes at the grade 7 and 8 level, including:

- The Developmental Disabilities (DD) and General Learning Program (GLP) classes which are currently located at D. Aubrey Moodie Intermediate School; and
- Gifted Early French Immersion specialized class which is currently located at Greenbank Middle School.

I appreciate that there will be questions relating to the implementation of these changes. In the next few months, we will have regular updates at school council meetings about any changes necessary to assist with planning for student transitions. We will continue to provide you with more detailed information as it becomes available.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me directly. (613-828-3100)

Thanks for your ongoing support.

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