



BELLS CORNERS PUBLIC SCHOOL BULLDOGS

March 21, 2025

Dear BCPS Families,

This week students returned back to school from March Break and eager to learn!

Community and Restorative Circles are a part of every classroom in the school, where students provide ways to create a supportive and inclusive school environment by emphasizing communication, relationships, and community. Recently, students in the Junior classes engaged in a community circle around anti-bullying strategies and ways of expressing kindness. Students shared ways to create a positive environment here at BCPS and our students are an integral part of the plan as they are making the decision that can promote positive conditions within the school. The responses from Junior students were insightful and demonstrate that our students are critical thinkers and this represents one aspect of our anti-bullying plan for Bells Corners.



Thank you to Ms. Mona and her team created our beautiful bulletin board!

Ramadan:

During the month of Ramadan, many of our students are fasting. Our BCPS students are learning about facts and traditions and ways to honour the month through information shared on our daily announcements.

Recess Change:

Our field at the back of the school has a great deal of water at the moment due to the thaw that is taking place and the abundance of rain. Our school facilities department has been working diligently on this issue. Our students have been asked to remain on the pavement during outdoor recess. We have two recess times : 11:15am to 11:40am for Primary students and then 11:40am to 12pm for Junior students and then 2pm to 2:25pm for Juniors and then 2:25pm to 2:45pm for Primary students. This has worked well and we will continue this until the field is dry.

Family Math Night!

BCPS educators will be organizing a Math Night on April 23rd!! We welcome families to attend and learn how to engage and deepen your child’s understanding of math concepts through the use of math games! Mrs. Lad will provide an overview of the curriculum math goals to begin our night and then our educators will lead students and families through a series of centers with high interest games for your child. More information will be provided next week with a parent/student attendance sign up and pizza will be available. BCPS staff is looking forward to welcoming our students and families on this exciting time after school, devoted to a key area of learning and instruction!

Bells Corners PS
SUBWAY LUNCH

Proceeds support programming like Scientists in Schools & Butterfly Kits!

PREORDER THREE (3) SUBWAY LUNCHES

Friday, April 11th	Friday, April 25th	Friday, May 9th
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Orders due by Friday, April 4th

Order & pay ONLINE with School Cash Online (see instructions on reverse)
OR
Return the form below along with **CASH** payment
No Cheques No change provided.

Use one form per student. This form is not required for online orders.

Student's Teacher: _____ Grade: _____
Student's First & Last Name: _____

Subway will deliver the same choice sub for April 11, April 25* and May 9th

All subs come with white cheddar cheese unless you state *no cheese*

- Circle One: White Bread Wholewheat Bread
- Circle One: Ham Turkey Tuna Veggie
- Circle Choices: Lettuce Tomato Cucumber Mustard Mayo

Each 6-inch is: \$5.00 (x 3 days)
Payment Due: \$15.00
Total Cash Payment: \$ _____

Subway Lunches Are Back!

Council is organizing subway lunches, which was enjoyed by many students! Order forms will be sent home on March 24th

Bulldog T-Shirt Sales: March 17th to March 28th!

Bulldog T-Shirt Gear is on Sale! Sales will continue until March 27th.

2 LOGO CHOICES AND 3 SHIRT COLOURS - WHITE, RED AND PINK
Bells Corners Public School
Logos and illustrations of other school uniforms shown. Taxes are included in pricing. Please pay by cash/cheque, or through school cash online. Deadline for order submission: March 22, 2025.

Color	Size	Price
Children Heavy Cotton T Printed Full Front LOGO & WHITE SHIRT (Red or Pink) RED SHIRT (White Print) PINK SHIRT (White Print)	Youth	Youth \$15.00
	Adult	Adult \$17.00
Children Heavy Cotton T Printed Full Front LOGO & WHITE SHIRT (Red or Pink) RED SHIRT (White Print) PINK SHIRT (White Print)	Youth	Youth \$15.00
	Adult	Adult \$17.00

Shirt colour: _____
Qty: _____
Size: _____

Student Name: _____ Teacher/Classroom: _____ Total \$ _____
Parent/Guardian: _____ Email/Phone: _____



Lice Protocol

Please take some time to review the [OPH: Head Lice Fact Sheet](#) The school will communicate to classes that are impacted if identification of lice is reported by families and discovered in the classroom. If help is needed please reach out to the school office or email sadhana.lad@ocdsb.ca to request a kit.

Dates to Remember

March 27: T-Shirt Sales due

March 28: PD Day: **No School**

April 4: Subway Orders Due

April 4: Pizza Day

April 7 : BCPS School Council -6:30pm to 7:45pm

April 17: Pizza Day

April 22: School Spirit Day: Wear green and/or Blue for Earth Day

April 23, Family Math Night: 4:45pm to 6:00pm

Parking Lot Reminder:

The front parking lot is reserved for buses and vans from 9:00am to 9:20am and 3:30pm to 4pm. If you are dropping your child, please park your car in the parking lot and then proceed to walk your child to the side gate or the front gates for Kindergarten drop off.

Are you moving or have you moved? Update your address

Please contact the office if you have recently moved and provide the office with your new address as soon as the change occurs. Also, providing proof of address is a requirement for all families.

Students Arriving After 9:15 a.m.

Please remember that our supervision ends at 9:15 out on the yard and the parking lot. If you are dropping off your students at the side parking lot gate after 9:15 a.m. and the staff on duty has closed the side gate, **they must come through the main office doors at the front of the building.** There have been instances where students are coming to the back of the building and the doors are locked and they cannot enter. Thank you for your attention and cooperation on this important safety matter.

Signing Students in and out outside of arrival and dismissal times

If you are picking up/dropping off your student outside of the usual arrival (9-9:15 a.m.) and dismissal times (3:45 pm), you must ring the bell to notify the office you are here and who you are picking up. As with last year's procedure, families will wait outside for their students to come out. For drop off, the office will unlock the door and only the student will come in. For kindergarten students, a staff member will be there to greet the child.

Please remember that student arrival is 9:00am for all students. Students should not be on the yard before this time.

**ACTION
NEEDED**

Media Forms - completely paperless

We kindly ask that you complete our Media and Technology Forms online this year in order to be more environmentally responsible. Please click on the link and complete the form for each student [here](#) (Media).

Reporting Your Child's Absence

In order to ensure the safety of our students it is **IMPORTANT** that families continue to notify the school when at *Bells Corners PS is now using an automated student absence system called Safe Arrival to report student absences. Families can also enter future & extended absences into this system. Please report your child's absence by calling the interactive toll free number: 1-833-202-1417 or by logging into the School Messenger App or Web Portal. All methods are available 24 hours a day 7 days a week. Families can find instructions to*

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these by clicking on this link: [New Safe Arrival System-Reporting An Absence](#). Click here for FAQ's [Safe Arrival FAQ's](#) if your **child is absent**. This also applies to days when the **buses are canceled or the impact of weather conditions**. **Notification of all absences is necessary**. Please email us at bcpsattendance@ocdsb.ca. and leave a detailed message with your child's name and teacher and nature of absence. You can also leave a detailed voicemail by calling the school attendance line at 613-828-3559

School Council News

Are you interested in joining the School Council? This dynamic team of parents meet on the **1st Monday** of the month from 6:30-7:30pm. You are also welcome to join as a voting member or simply as a community member at large to observe and learn about the latest that is taking place in our school. Please email either sc-bellscornersps@ocdsb.ca or sadhana.lad@ocdsb.ca for more details to join our first meeting that will take place . **Monday, April 7th, 2025 at 6:30pm in our library. Childcare is available.**

Have a wonderful weekend,

**Take Care,
Sadhana Lad and Staci Jamieson**