



# BELLS CORNERS PUBLIC SCHOOL

# BULLDOGS

May 30, 2025

Dear BCPS Families,

As May draws to a close, we're incredibly proud of all our students and their remarkable accomplishments throughout the month. It's been a period of significant growth and learning, and their hard work and dedication have truly been evident in every classroom throughout the school. Our grade 3 and 6 students completed EQAO assessments, and end of year literacy and math assessments. Some classes have gone on field trips and are preparing for the month of June activities.



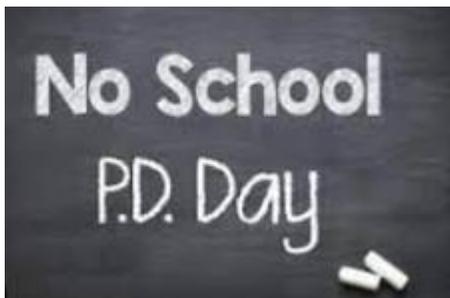
Students had an opportunity to engage in explore-based activities to learn about different living things that live in the different ecosystems at Bill Mason Centre.



## June is Pride Month:

June is Pride Month, an important opportunity to celebrate diversity, honour the rich histories and achievements of 2SLGBTQ+ individuals, and acknowledge the ongoing challenges that 2SLGBTQ+ communities continue to face. During this month and always, we reaffirm our unwavering support for all identities and stand in solidarity against discrimination. The OCDSB is proud to demonstrate this commitment by flying the Pride Flag at all our schools and buildings. See [June is Pride Month-OCDSB](#)

**Library Circulation & Reminders:** June 9th -13th will be the last week for students to take a book home. Students will only take one book per student that week. The 19th will be the last day in the library for classes.



June 6th is a P.D. Day.  
There is no school for students.



Our BCPS staff and students invite parent volunteers and our community volunteers to our Volunteer Tea on **June 11th from 8:15am to 9:15am**. We would like to show our appreciation of the many volunteers who support us on field trips, read with students, organize programs for students and the list is endless. We welcome you to the BCPS library for tea and treats.



## **School Council BBQ: June 13th**

The BCPS school Council is excited to announce that we have some extra special things happening at this year's end-of-year BBQ!

Join us on Friday, June 13th from 4:30 to 6:30p.m. for Hotdogs and Hamburgers (all Halal), drinks and treats and lots of fun!

There will be games (our famous Fish Pond), a visit from the Zoo Crew with animals to see and our local fire truck crew will come to say hello!

A great way to end a wonderful year together!

## **Grade 6 Graduation: June 20th 10:00am to 10:30am**

It's time to celebrate our Grade 6 students! Grade 6 families, please remember that June 20th is our grade leaving ceremony. Please fill in the google form and let us know how many individuals will be attending [Here](#)



## **Do you require bus transportation or would you prefer to opt out?**

Parents/caregivers who will not require school bus transportation for their eligible child(ren) will be asked to complete an [electronic opt-out form](#). This form confirms that a seat will not be needed.

## **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](mailto:sadhana.lad@ocdsb.ca) to request a kit.

## **Dates to Remember**

**June 4** : Freezie Wednesday (freezie sold for \$1 during recess)

**June 6** : PA Day: No School For Students

**June 11** : Volunteer Tea 8:15am to 9:15am

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**June 18**: Freezie Wednesday

**June 19**: Subway Day

**June 13** : End Of Year School Council Family BBQ 4:30pm to 6:30pm

**June 13**: Pizza Day

**June 20** : Grade 6 Leaving Ceremony: 10:00am to 10:30am

**June 25**: Kindergarten Graduation for SK students

**June 26** : Last Day Of School

Grade 6 Clap Out: 3:30pm

## **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.**



**Report  
Student  
Absence**

### 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 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](mailto: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](mailto:sc-bellscornersps@ocdsb.ca) or [sadhana.lad@ocdsb.ca](mailto:sadhana.lad@ocdsb.ca) for more details to join our first meeting that will take place . **Monday, June 2, 2025 at 6:30pm in our library. Childcare is available.**

**Have a wonderful weekend,**

**Take Care,**

**Sadhana Lad and Staci Jamieson**