

June 26/27 2025

Dear BCPS Families,

The 2024/2025 school year is coming to an end and many students are thinking about the summer months and transitions into new grades in September! The BCPS staff would like to thank families and community members for the partnerships and support to ensure that student achievement and well-being continue to be at the forefront of student learning at Bells Corners.



We would like to say goodbye to the following educators, Jessica Ashley (Grade 2), Tianna Gibbons (Learning Resource Teacher), Taylor MacTavish (Grade 3 /4), Ms. Nicole (EA) and Roxana Jahani (Grade 2/3). Staci Jamieson(Acting VP) will be saying goodbye to BCPS and we thank her for taking on our VP role mid-year and supporting BCPS. We are grateful to all our educators for their support of our students and we wish you well in your education journey!

We also are saying goodbye to Leslie Lang, who has been our Office Administrator for over 14 years. She is a familiar face, friendly and welcoming presence in the office and she will be missed. We wish Mrs. Lang all the very best! May her next chapter be filled with joy, and new adventures. She will always hold a special place in our hearts here at BCPS. Best wishes to Mrs. Lang!

Our Leaving Ceremony and our Kindergarten graduation was a great way to celebrate student achievements!



The instruction and learning did not stop throughout the weeks leading up to June June 27th!

The pictures definitely share information about how students were engaged in the month of June with presentations, projects, achieving literacy and math goals. It was also Indigenous History month where students engaged in daily learning about identities who shaped and are leading the way in Canadian history.

Report Cards will be sent via messenger

Report cards will be sent electronically to parents on June 26th.

Registration for grade 7:

If your child is going to Bell Intermediate School, then they will be automatically registered at Bell. If your child is attending another school in the Bells Corners neighbourhood, then I encourage you to please let the office know of the school that your child will be attending in September.

A few reminders for end of year:

Medication: Please pick up any medication in the office from June 24th to June 27th. If it is not picked up, we will send it home with your child on June 27th. If your child will not be returning to school, then please ensure that medication is picked up as well.

2025/2026 School Year:

If your child has a medical need, <u>Plan of Care</u> should be submitted every school year. Please submit this form by **September 2nd 2025**. This will allow classroom educators to be informed of any needs.

When will my child find out who their teacher will be in September 2025

We are currently busy working on class lists and accepting new registrations. Families will receive an email on August 29th indicating who your child's teacher will be for September 2025.

New Registration throughout the summer:

If you would like to register your child, please register online throughout the summer and we will contact you after August 25th.

Dates to Remember

August 25 : BCPS Office Opens

August 29: Email sent to families regarding your child's educator

September 2: First day of school!

September 8 : First School Council Meeting

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.



Reporting Your Child's Absence

In order to ensure the safety of our students it is <u>IMPORTANT</u> that families continue to notify the school when at *Bells Corners PS is now using an automated student absence system called <u>Safe Arrival</u> 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: <u>New Safe Arrival System-Reporting An Absence</u>. Click here for*

FAQ's <u>Safe Arrival FAQ's</u> if your **child is absent**. This also applies to days when the **buses are canceled or the impact of weather conditions**. <u>Notification of all absences is necessary</u>. 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.

Have a wonderful summer,
Take Care,
Sadhana Lad and Staci Jamieson