

BORDEN SCHOOL

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Dear Borden School Families,

Although winter weather is still hanging on, the spirit of enthusiasm and spring energy is noticeable all over the school! The Borden Bruin student body is continuing to impress with their growth, insight, and verve. This is a wonderful time to be at Borden School.

In this update, I will share information on: Progress Reports & Quarter 4, Breakfast Program Donations, 3-Way Conferences (words of thanks), SCC Meeting & Election, Kindergarten Registration, Fill Your Bucket Fundraiser, Grade 6-8 Immunizations, Easter Break, Illness at School, and Important Dates

Progress Reports (Grade 9-12) & Quarter #4:

Progress Reports for Grades 9-12 will be going home with students on Friday, April 29th. For students in Grade 9, these Progress Reports will contain the final mark for Grade 9 Math. Phys. Ed, Arts Ed., Science, and Health are classes that carry on for the remainder of the year. For students in Grades 11-12, the only final mark will be the math class. Phys. Ed, Financial Literacy, Physics, and Graphic Arts are classes that carry on for the remainder of the year.

Quarter 3 Final Exams in Math are being held on Wednesday, April 13th for students in Grades 9-12. There is no final exam scheduled for Thursday, April 14th. Students in Grades 9-12 who have their permission to leave school forms completed are not required to come to school on April 14th unless they have outstanding assignments/tasks to complete (which will be communicated to families next week).

Quarter #4 begins on Monday, April 26th and goes until the final school day of the 2021-2022 school year which is June 28th.

Breakfast Program Donations:

Our Breakfast Program which runs on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays has been a big success this year! Mrs. Troupe-Logue, Mrs. Yuskiw, Mrs. Mikituk, and Mrs. Lukan work together to support this program. At this point in the year, we are able to take donations again. Assorted items like juice boxes, banana loaves, muffins, fruit, cheese, yogurt, assorted baking, and monetary donations would all be gratefully accepted.

We have already received gracious support and donations from a variety of families and institutions. We are thankful to be supported by such a giving and generous community!

3-Way Conferences (words of thanks):

The 3-Way Conferences on March 24th were a great experience for the staff. It was wonderful to connect with families, parents, and students in-person and digitally. Thank you, all, for your participation and engagement with us. The communication loop between home and school is so important, and we are very appreciative of the connections made recently.

At Borden School, we want all families to know that we want to hear any questions, concerns, or clarifications that are needed. We encourage that communication at any time in the year, not just during 3-Way Conferences. Please feel free to reach out to any teacher(s) at any time.

SCC Meeting:

The Borden School Community Council has its next meeting scheduled for Thursday, April 7th at 7:30 PM. SCC Meetings are open to the public. We have continued meeting digitally. Any parents/community members who would like to attend are welcome. Please let us know at the school so we can invite you to the meeting with a link.

We will also have information on the SCC Elections coming out soon. Community and family members interested in joining the SCC can be on the lookout for that information coming out soon.

Please be aware that parents/families are encouraged to send questions or topics to the Borden SCC email account: bordenskscc@gmail.com

Kindergarten Registration:

If you have a child who will be 5 years old by December 31st, 2022, you can register for Kindergarten now! Also, if you know of any families or community members who have children who will be 5 years old by December 31st, 2022, please encourage them to register or reach out to the school. We are always eager to get in touch with our newest crew of Borden Bruin students!

There has been a new step added for Kindergarten Registration by the ministry of education (which means this applies to all schools across Saskatchewan that have a Kindergarten program). Families are required to provide confirmation of either their Kindergarten Child's passport or birth certificate. This confirmation can be provided as part of the online registration (scanned and uploaded), or it can be provided in-person at the school with a visual confirmation by either Mrs. Angelena Lukan or Mr. Brody Morris. The reason for this is to guarantee birthdate and legal name for the ministry of education.

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to reach out!

Easter Break:

There will be no school from April 15th- April 24th. All students (K-12) resume classes on Monday, April 25th. I hope everyone has a terrific, safe, healthy, and restful break with your friends and families ©

Fill Your Bucket Fundraiser:

For the remainder of this school year, Borden School will be running a Fill Your Bucket Fundraiser. There are a variety of treats and snacks that are being sold on Thursdays and Fridays every week remaining this year. All items are being sold for \$2. The proceeds from this ongoing fundraiser will be put towards fieldtrips (transportation and admission expenses) that Borden Students from Grades K-12 will be participating in, before the end of the 2022 school year, the Breakfast Program, and Jr./Sr. SRC sponsored events. Your generous support spreads joy and fun while also helping out financially at Borden School.

Illness at School:

As the province has dropped covid restrictions, I thought it would be important to share one expectation that will continue at Prairie Spirit School Division schools. Students who are obviously ill and their symptoms cannot be explained (allergies, cold induced runny noses, or exercise induced coughing as examples) will still be sent home.

There are elements of professional judgement that go into this at the school level. Borden School staff will contact families when students self-report symptoms directly, or if obvious indications of illness are persistent and incessant. Students are welcome to return to school as soon as they are symptom free.

We thank you for your support and understanding as we strive to keep everyone at Borden School healthy and safe.

Grade 6, 7, & 8 Immunizations:

Grade 6, 7, and 8 Immunizations will be held on April 12th. For more information, please reach out to Sarah Sokoluk with Saskatoon Health Authority @ 306-655-4282.

Important Dates:

April 7 – SCC Meeting

April 11 – Spirit Day (Wacky Hair Day)

April 12 – Grade 6, 7, and 8 Immunizations

April 12 – Spirit Day (Borden Blue Day)

April 13 – Spirit Day (PJ Day and Hot Chocolate Sales - \$1/cup)

April 14 – Math Final Exam Grade 9-12

April 14 – Spirit Day (Easter Costume Day)

April 15-24 – No School (April Break)

April 25 – Classes resume & Quarter 4 begins (Grade 9-12)

April 27 – Hot Lunch (Hamburgers)

April 27 – Sr. Badminton Conferences (location TBD)

April 29 – Grade 9-12 Progress Reports go home

May 13 - Prep Day (No Classes for K-12)

May 23 – Victoria Day (No School)

June 6 – Prep Day (No Classes for K-12)

June 13 - K-4 Field Trip

June 15 – Awards Night

June 28 – Last Day of School

Conclusion:

I thank you for taking the time to read this letter. If you have questions or would like to speak about anything at Borden School, please reach out to me. I can be reached by email at brody.morris@spiritsd.ca, a phone call to the school at (306) 997-2090, or you can call or text my cell phone which is (306) 371-2888. Your gracious support and kindness are always appreciated!

Brody Morris – Borden School Principal