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April 2019

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Principal's Message

Oh spring has arrived at Beacon Hill School! How wonderful to arrive each morning to watch the sun rise and to leave at the end of the day before the sun sets!

March was indeed an incredible month for our staff, students, and school community. Our Spirit Week provided a variety of activities, and we appreciate the support of our school families with our theme days. From Principal of the Day to Pie the Staff to Gr 5 /6 basketball teams versus staff & RCMP, school spirit could be heard and seen in our hallways, classrooms, and gymnasium.

Congratulations to our boys' and our girls' Grade 5 /6 basketball teams for winning the Consolation Trophy in their respective tournaments. Players supported each other and were great ambassadors for our school. A huge thank you to Ms Legge and Scott Hutton for coaching the teams.

Our ECDP and Kindergarten Open Houses were well attended and we look forward to welcoming new students to our Bear Family!

Thank you for attending our Parent-Student-Teacher interviews where we celebrated achievement and set goals for third term.

Enjoy a wonderful Spring Break with your families!

In closing, I wish to take this opportunity to wish Ms Jeelani all the best as she begins her maternity leave this month. Thank you for your leadership and support of student learning at our school.We look forward to her visiting our school with her bundle of joy!

Nancy Ball, Principal

Leader in Me Habit 2- Begin with the End in Mind

Would you start a trip without knowing where you are going? Knowing what you trying to accomplish directs all the choices on the way.

Habit 2 is Begin with the End in Mind - Think about how you want something to turn out before you start it. Goal setting is an important skill for success. Set a goal. Then, break it down into small manageable pieces.

A great example is a puzzle. You study the picture. Then, you sort pieces. Perhaps you'll do the edge first. Next, you may find all the pieces of one color, and so on step-by-step until it is complete.

Ways to apply at home:

- Point out examples: Share stories from your life, or even your day at work, where you had a goal or task that you accomplished. What steps did you take to accomplish it? How did breaking it down make it easier?
- Point out examples from your child's life such as riding a bike, tying shoes, or another skill. Create a goal: Is there something your child wants that he/she can work for? Better reading skills, a day with a parent, a new toy or game? Help your child set the goal and define steps they can take to achieve it. Make sure it is attainable to create a positive experience.

When is sick too sick for school?



Grade 5 /6 Boys'

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Grade 5 /6 Girls Basketball Teams





Indigenous Peoples Atlas of Canada Floor Map

On April 10th, the Indigenous Peoples Atlas of Canada will be visiting our school. Because of its size, we will place the floor atlas in our community room. This resource will assist our staff and students in understanding the past, present and future of Indigenous Peoples in Canada.



K-6 Skating at Frank Lacroix Arena

Students were provided with an opportunity to visit Frank Lacroix for skating. A huge thanks to Ms. Mackinnon for organizing this event and to all the parents and guardians who assisted with helping students get laced up!





Roary Swag Winners For March

Addison & Stevie



Field Trip on April 9th

Little Mermaid by Thickwood School

Students will be going to Keyano Theatre on Tuesday, April 9th. Busses will leave at 11:45 am so we will have an early lunch. Our KEEP students will be joining us, however, if any of our Kindergarten children who are not in KEEP wish to attend, they can meet us at Keyano Theatre. Thank you to our Parents Plus for supporting this awesome opportunity to watch another school's performance!

SPIRIT WEEK AT BEACON HILL SCHOOL



What do you want to be when you grow up?



Principal Noah answering calls.



Brace yourself Ms King!

\$350 dollars were raised for Wood Buffalo Food Bank.



Ms Petruk and Cali

Dress like your Teacher!

ECDP Open House By Mrs. Parr

ECDP Open House was a lot of fun! We met many new boys and girls, along with their parents. We played together, and answered any questions about our Beacon Hill Community. We are excited for these young ones to start school in September!

If you have any questions about the ECDP Program, please email me at <u>kimerica.parr@fmpsd.ab.ca</u>. Thanks!

Kindergarten Open House By Ms. Petruk

Kindergarten Open House was a great success this year with lots of new faces in attendance! If you didn't get a chance to swing by and you have a few questions about Kindergarten or the KEEP program that we offer at our school feel free to email myself - <u>natasha.petruk@fmpsd.ab.ca</u>. I look forward to seeing familiar faces in September!



March Movie Night By Ms. Legge

The grade six class thanks you all, once again for a successful Family Movie Night. It has been so nice to raise money for our trip while enjoying time with our bear family, and friends. What a win-win for all! The second movie night of the year consisted of popcorn, and the second *Wreck it Ralph* movie, *Ralph Breaks the Internet*. Thank you to all who came out to support us. We look forward to making Family Movie NIght a tradition at Beacon Hill.



Meat Fundraiser By Ms. Legge

Grade six students will be collecting meat fundraisers from Calahoo meats this month. All orders are due to Ms. Legge by April 25th. This will ensure that meat will be delivered by May 14th. The money collected for this will go towards the grade six trip. We will be celebrating all of our years spent at Beacon Hill School by attending various events in Edmonton over three days. We leave on May 28th, to represent Beacon Hill School in Edmonton. We will also be attending many different facilities and exhibits that will support our grade six curriculum. The grade six class is very grateful to you all for supporting our fundraising efforts throughout the year. If you have any questions about the Calahoo Meat Fundraiser or need extra forms please contact Ms. Legge.

Tubing Grades 2 & 3 By Mrs. Saunders

Tubing for Grades 2 & 3 took place on March 28th, 2019 at Vista Ridge. It was a perfect day for it and a great time was had by all!











Beacon Hill School Council

All Beacon Hill School parents and guardians are welcome and encouraged to attend the monthly School Council meetings. The meetings are held every second Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm in the Community Room. This is a great way to find out what is happening at the school, letting your voice be heard, meeting other Beacon Hill School parents and supporting your child in their education.

Please join us at the next School Council meeting where our guest will be Mr. Nichols school superintendent on Tuesday April 9th at 6:30pm in the community room.

Parents Plus Advisory Association

Hi everyone! I hope you all had a great March! The sun has been shining, the snow has been melting, the kids are enjoying the rubber boot weather. It was a perfect time to run our Veseys spring bulb fundraiser. Thank you to everyone who participated; orders should arrive for May long weekend.

I'd also like to do a shout-out for the grade 6 class's Calahoo Meats fundraiser. We're heading into barbecue season, and they have a fantastic fundraiser running until April 25.

Our spring market is rapidly approaching. It is on May 4th from 10-3. It is Star Wars-themed "May The Fourth Be With You" and gearing up to be a lot of fun. We will have yard sale tables, bake sale tables, vendor tables, and a Scholastic Book Fair, as well as a face painter and a canteen. An event page has been set up on Facebook; please share and invite your friends. A sign-up genius will be sent out soon for volunteer opportunities. We also have an exciting announcement coming in the next week; stay tuned!

Important dates: April 25 - next meeting date April 26 - hot lunch orders due

A Special Goodbye Message from Ms. Jeelani

Dear Bear Family,

I would like to thank each and every one of you for your encouragement and support over the last two years. During my time at Beacon Hill I have grown tremendously in numerous different capacities - as an educator, a vice principal, a co-worker, a friend and well, over the course of the last 8 months - as an expecting mother.

Thank you for the laughs, the countless hours of formal and informal chats and most importantly for questioning me - this by far has allowed me to grow the most by making me rethink and re-evaluate my notions which has resulted in knowledge that I will cherish for many years to come.

The Bear Family will always hold a special place in my heart. I have yet to encounter a team like this - the staff, parents, school council and Parent Plus are a force to be reckoned with - an exceptional group of people who work tirelessly everyday to provide the best educational experiences for the students at our school. I will forever remain grateful for your efficiency, eagerness and enthusiasm.

Remember... We may be small but we are mighty!



Love, Ms. Jeelani

April 2019						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Ukulele Robotics	2	3 WITS	4	5 PLF- No school for students	6
7	8 Ukulele Robotics	9 Little Mermaid performance at Keyano	10 Indigenous Atlas of Canada	11	12 PLF- No school for students	13
14	15 Spring Break	16 Spring Break	17 Spring Break	18 Spring Break	19 Spring Break	20
21 Easter Sunday	22 Spring Break	23	24	25	26	27
28	29 Duffle Bag Theatre Ukulele Robotics	30 LIM Gr. K Assembly				