



**Bon Accord**  
Community School



# **BEAR FACTS**

## **JUNE 2009**

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### **Principal Message:**

What can I say? I have had an amazing year. I have learned so much and have come to appreciate every one of the students, parents and community members who make BACS a great place to be. I think the event that capped off this year was the Relay for Life on May 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. To be able to participate in an event that makes such a difference and to be surrounded by so many great, energetic people was truly a rare experience. Thanks to every individual who was able to support the relay to whatever degree you felt you were able.

It has been an honour to work with both Mrs. McWilliam and Mrs. DeChamplain in the office. Both of them have been a great support and I have garnered so much knowledge and skills from them.

We still have a month left, and then it's time to recuperate rest and relax. Hopefully we all get some time to do all three. And I am sure, we will be ready to give it 100% in September, again.

Darryl Propp  
Principal  
Bon Accord Community School

## From the VP's desk

In my new position I am getting to know all of the students much better. Working with Mr. Propp, staff, parents, and community members has made me appreciate, even more, the tight knit community of Bon Accord. My thanks to all of the parents for their unfaltering support. I am looking forward to seeing the students with bright shiny faces full of anticipation for the new school year in September.

Please remember Mrs. McWilliam in your prayers and hope for her a speedy recovery so that she can return to us soon.

Merry DeChamplain  
Vice Principal

## School Notes:

- Bon Accord School would like to thank all the students, Families, Parent Groups, Community Groups and anonymous donors that donated towards the Relay for Life. We are so grateful that we are working and living in such a warm caring community. We all know that the Relay for life was close to our hearts this year and Sturgeon School Division was the third top team for our fundraising efforts and Bon Accord School was the top school! We all raised

\$13041.79.



- If your child will not be attending school on June 24th please provide a 9x12 self addressed stamped envelope for their report card to be sent otherwise it will have to be picked up in August 26.
- If you are aware that you will be moving from our area and not be attending our school next year please let us know for planning purposes. We certainly will miss you and wish you well in your new endeavors.
- If you know of people in the area that might have Kindergarten age children please encourage them to register their child as soon as possible as it assists us to plan the Kindergarten program. To be eligible the student must be turning 5 by March 1<sup>st</sup>. 2010.
- As of June 1<sup>st</sup> our user group fees will be going up slightly to cover the costs associated with renting out the facility. If you have any questions please call the school office.

- Our school office will open on August 26<sup>th</sup> please stop in at that time if you have any questions or concerns for the upcoming school year.
- If you are interested in before and after school care for the fall of 2010 please phone the school office. We are trying to get a program running for the fall. How great it would be for the children to be dropped off and picked up at one place.
- **Please note that on June 24th Hot Lunch will be donating a free hot dog lunch. This lunch will include 1 hotdog, 1 drink and 1 cool treat. Please send a snack and any other lunch items that your child will need for the day. Thank you Hot Lunch Committee for this wonderful treat!**



- A family barbeque will be held on June 12 from 4:30-6:00pm. Thank you to P.S.S for sponsoring this family event. Mr. Propp and Mrs. DeChamplain are looking forward to seeing everyone at the barbeque.

**Summer Reading Program Agent 009**

It is proven that if children keep reading over the summer months it will enable them to succeed in the next school year.  
Come and discover how fun reading can be with Kim at the Bon Accord Public library starting July 6<sup>th</sup>.

Are you a proud parent with a new baby?  
Will your baby be 2 - 4 months old in October?  
You and your baby could be a Roots of Empathy family!

- Roots of Empathy is a program for children in kindergarten to grade 8. The program's aim is to increase empathy - the ability to understand another person's feelings.

Children learn to care and respect each other and there is less bullying and aggression. **A Roots of Empathy family:**

- A mother and/or father visits a classroom in a local school with a Roots of Empathy

Instructor (Mrs. Hodge)

- The visits are about 30 minutes long, once a month from October until June.
- The program helps children to learn about a baby's needs and how babies develop and it also lets children observe the loving relationship between a parent and baby.
- Babies must be 2 to 4 months old in October.

**Our first day of school in the fall is September 3, 2009. This day will be different than what we have done in the past. This coming fall, Sturgeon School Division is implementing a full day for our first day back.**

**On the first day of school, class lists will be posted directing students to the appropriate room and class. These lists will not be finalized, however, until we have a good understanding of the class composition. This may mean there will be a bit of shuffling after the first day of school, but we hope to keep this to a minimum.**

**Please note: Students will need to bring a snack and lunch this day, as well as all their school supplies.**

**Thank you for your support and understanding. Our goal is to provide a welcome and positive beginning to your child's school year.**

# The Board of Trustees

- Meet the fourth Wednesday of the month, 4:30pm, at the Board office in Morinville. Members of the public are invited to attend. Please note the next Board Meeting will be June 24<sup>th</sup>.

## 1. Library News:



We are coming to the close of another successful year in the library. Having the students enjoy the process of selecting books to read and the pleasure that is seen on their faces is heartwarming. Unfortunately we need to do inventory of our books as we did not do it last year due to renovations. As a result, **all student books must be returned by June 12** to allow us time to check them, resshelf and do an inventory check. Please have your child return their books promptly. Each class has a selection of books in their rooms to cover this 2 week time frame.

Kimberly Kieser has joined us at Bon Accord School as the summer reading program leader. She will be visiting classrooms in the next month, helping out in various capacities and getting to know the children. If you have any questions about the program do not hesitate to ask. She is looking forward to a fun-filled summer with many of your children.

Library Duo  
Mrs. DeChamplain and Mrs. Hodge

## Music Notes:



All grades practiced hard for the Volunteer Tea and it paid off. Grade 1 sang "Climb aboard a Spaceship" and recited the poem "A Volunteer". Grade 2 performed "Fly Me to the Moon" by Frank Sinatra, and grade 3 recited the poem "A Toast". Congratulations to all the students who performed. As for the month of June, Grade

1 has been practicing their performance of "Chicken Little". Grade 2 is working on 2/4, 3/4, and 4/4 time signatures and grade 3 will be continuing with their introduction to recorders.

Music Teacher  
Mr. Sales

## Community News:

- June 20, 2009 - 1 Combat Engineer Regiment Freedom of the Town Ceremony 11:00am in Gibbons. For more information please go to [www.gibbons.ca](http://www.gibbons.ca) and check for more information.
- July 1-5 Canada Day and 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary for the town of Gibbons. Please go to [www.gibbons.ca](http://www.gibbons.ca) for updated information and for event schedule.
- Learn how to use your digital camera. Topics covered include image quality, menus, white balance, SO settings, shooting modes and processing. Discover various design techniques to improve the composition of your images. Please bring your camera and manuals to class.

Where: Firehall Classroom

When: Thursday, 7-9PM

Date: June 11 & 18<sup>th</sup>

Fee: \$32.00

Please register by June 8<sup>th</sup>.



- **Coronado United Church Annual Outdoor Beef on a Bun and Live Auction on Sunday, August 9, 2009.**

Supper will be served at 4:00pm. Dinner will be followed by a live auction. Dinner will consist of Beef on a Bun, baked beans, salads, dessert and a beverage.

Tickets are: Adults: \$10, Children 12 & under: \$5. Tickets are available by calling Karen at 780-942-2099 or Jim at 780-942-4266.

We encourage purchasing your tickets ahead of time to ensure an adequate amount of food.

This event will be held at Coronado United Church, located 4 miles North of Gibbons on Highway 28 and 1/2 mile East on Twp 570.

### **"Tech Trash"**

- Do you have computer monitors, servers, printers, cell phones or TVs CLUTTERING your closets, basements or garages?

Do you have tires attracting weeds in your backyard? The Gibbons/Bon Accord 4-H Sew & SOS Multi Club are collecting these items as a "Environmentally Friendly" FUNDRAISER. Please call Leona @ (780) 921-2140 or Bruce @ (780) 961-3335 for pick-up or drop off information.

- Raise the Roof

Where: Sacred Heart Church in Gibbons

What: Barbeque

When: Fathers Day June 21 following 11:00 a.m service

Fathers come out and share a meal, listen to some music while the kids are busy with face painting, fishpond fun and more. Adults: \$5.00 12 and under are free.




For more information please call Mike at 921-3129 or Guy at 923-3106.

Watch for more upcoming events such as the Gibbons Community Garage sale.

# JUNE 2009

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
	1	2 Rain out Day Track Meet	3 KHS & ECS Case Conferences	4	5 Assembly Grade 5 orientation at Lilian Schick	6
7	8	9	10 Staff Meeting Early Dismissal @ 1:30  	11 Crazy Hair Day  	12 Family Barbeque sponsored by P.S.S  	13
14	15	16 Pizza Party for Grade 4 Kindergarten Helpers	17	18	19 KM & KT Final Day	20
21	22	23	24 Awards Ceremony 9:00am  Play Day 1:15  Report Cards sent home	25 No Classes	26 Last Day of Classes Dismissal @ 11:35  Have a safe Summer Holiday!!!	27
28	29	30				
					<div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"><b>2009</b></div>	

# SEPTEMBER 2009

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
		<b>1</b> P.D Day No Classes	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Welcome Back Full Day Classes Grade 1-4  Staggered entry for Kindergarten	<b>4</b> Staggered entry for Kindergarten	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Labour Day No Classes	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Staff Meeting Early Dismissal @ 11:53  	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> Individual Pictures Grade 1-4, KM	<b>17</b> Individual Pictures KHS and KT	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Terry Fox Run "Toonies For Terry"	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> Cross Country Run Grade 4  	<b>30</b>			
						

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