



Bon Accord
Community School



BEAR FACTS

MARCH 2010

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Principal Message:

Thank you to all the volunteers (parents, grandparents & friends) who came in on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday to help set up and make over 13 000 submarine sandwiches in support of our Parent Support Society's (PSS) major fundraiser. Also, a special thank you goes to the families who sold the subs and to the community members who purchased subs. Please mark you calendars for Feb. 2011 to come out and support us once more. Over \$12 000 was earned to pay for bussing for classroom field trips and to purchase materials to enhance learning and safety. Volunteers in our community are our backbone. Thank you to Lilian Schick foods students, BACS grade fours who all helped out during the days. Many students came with their parents to help in the evening as well. Thank you to all the other volunteers that that came out to help countless hours that have no children in our school who just enjoy volunteering. Congratulations to PSS executive, who spent many, many hours in the gym or the truck. We are so fortunate to have such a wonderful volunteer base at our school.

Mr. Propp

From the VP's desk

It is that time of year again when everyone is preparing for report cards and interviews. Please take the time to discuss with your child their progress and expectations for this reporting period and goal setting for the remainder of the year.

We can also look forward to daylight savings which usually means the little ones have difficulty adjusting to the time change. We will all have to exercise patience and understanding to help with the change.

As well, we can look forward to puddles, perhaps another blast of winter and of course, mud. Please ensure your child is dressed for the weather. No matter what it may be like in the morning it can so easily change by the afternoon. After all we do live in Alberta and change is inevitable.

We look forward to seeing you at interviews.

Merry DeChamplain
Vice Principal

School Notes:

- **RELAY FOR LIFE 2010** - We are participating in Relay for Life once again. We have two teams that would appreciate your support. You can support us at school or go on line and donate to us there.

Go to cancer.ca/relay ,

click on Alberta/NWT

then choose Edmonton Relay for life

choose pledge a participant

click on search for a team and type in Bon Accord in the search box

choose either one of the teams (or both!!)

On the thermometer, you will click on "make a donation"

Thanks for your support!

- Please be aware that our recycle bins are on school property belong to the school and should only be used by the school. Over Christmas holidays the bins were being used for personal use and now they are full and we can not use them for our recycle program at our school. Please refrain from using our bins for personal use. If you require information about Roseridge Landfill please contact them @780-939-5678 or email roseridge@sturgeoncounty.ab.ca
- Swimming for Grade 1-4 students will start in the month of April. Please ensure your child has a swimsuit and a towel in a separate bag to take to and from the pool. Student are often more hungry and thirsty so please send them a little extra on Fridays

- **A global look at education.**

If you are a parent, teacher or community member interested in finding out more about significant education trends in Finland then you are invited to attend an evening with Dr. Pasi Sahlberg on March 22, 2010 (6:00 pm) at Bellerose School in St. Albert. Dr. Sahlberg is an internationally recognized advisor to governments, organizations, ministers of education (including Alberta Education), and teachers' associations. With his global expertise in school improvement and educational reforms he brings a wealth of information to this conversation. Pasi Sahlberg describes himself as a School Improvement Activist.

Pasi's message will address how the people of Finland view the responsibility of schools in their communities, the work of teachers as professionals and why Finland is ranked number one in the world despite not having any standardized (high-stakes) testing. The evening will be set up so that participants have the opportunity to discuss their ideas for school improvement in Alberta.

For more information on Pasi and his message go to www.pasisahlberg.com

- If you are interested in before and afterschool care please phone the school at 780-921-3559. This will be a program that will be running at the school and facilitated by the Town of Bon Accord. What a convenient idea for child care.
- Headstart Screening date will be held on March 23. Please call 780-939-4341 to book your appointment
- **Kindergarten Registration** forms for 2010-2011 school year are available at the office. Please come and register your child and show your child the school that they will be attending in the fall.



The Board of Trustees

- Meet each 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 March 24.

1. Library News:



Welcome back everyone. Students are eagerly taking out books after the break and enjoying the time to just sit relax and read. All students were given book bags at the beginning of the year or if they arrived late, upon their arrival. We expect these will be used for their library books to keep them clean and protected. Thank you to PSS for supporting this initiative. If they loose the bag, unfortunately, they will need to purchase a new one from SAVE-ON or bring \$3 to replace it. Books are expensive to replace and we need to avoid having to do so.

Library Duo
Mrs. DeChamplain and Mrs. Hodge

Music Notes:



The Grade 2 class has been practicing their performance for the upcoming St. Patrick's Day assembly, while the grade 3 class is beginning on the recorder by familiarizing themselves with the notes B, A, and G. Kindergarten and Grade 1 are continuing to work on reading rhythms as well as so, mi, do melodies. Congratulations to the grade 1 class for their amazing performance at our BACS Olympic Opening Ceremonies. Hope to see all the BACS music fans at the St. Patrick's Day assembly.

Music Teacher
Mr. Sales

Community Events:

- Sunday Pancake Brunch and Silent Action.

March 14, 2010 9:30-1:00 pm

Gibbons Legion 5027-50th

\$5.00 advance tickets available at

Gibbons Medical Clinic or \$8.00 at the door.

Proceeds will be pay Warwa Camp Fees for 1st Gibbons Cubs

Over \$1300 in items donated for action.

Including: Fountain Tire, Harbor Pool. Lisa Hewitt, Gibbons Motor Toys, H MV, Dow Centre, Gibbons Library and many more.

Coronado United Church Spring Rummage Sale

Saturday, March 27, 2010

10:00am to 1:00pm

A great opportunity to purchase household items, books, toys and clothing at very reasonable prices. Hot dogs will be available for sale.

Contact: Sandra at 780-998-3108 or Karen at 780-942-2099.

Coronado United Church is located 4 miles North of Gibbons on Highway 28 and 1/2 mile East on Twp 570.

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7	8 P.D Day No Classes	9	10 Staff Meeting Early Dismissal @ 11:53 	11	12 Hot Lunch	13
14	15	16 Roots Of Empathy Family Visit 1M	17 Assembly 9:00am	18	19 Report Cards Sent Home Last Hot Lunch Book Fair 10:00-3:00	20
21	22 Book Fair 10:00-3:00	23	24 Parent Teacher Conferences 5:00-8:00pm Book Fair	25 Book Fair 10:00-12:00pm	26 No Classes	27
28	29	30	31	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> <p>Spring Break March 27- April 4</p>  </div>		
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APRIL 2010

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