



Bridgeport P.S. School Council

A message from our School Council Chair:

**Dear, Students, Parents, and Guardians,
Spring has sprung, and with it comes a burst of
joy and excitement in our school community.**

**With our Spring Edition of our school
newsletter, I am thrilled to share our
anticipation for the upcoming Summer Picnic,
a delightful event that promises fun, games,
and plenty of sunshine for all!**

**But before we dive into the picnic festivities,
let's take a moment to reflect on our recent
community engagement efforts. Thanks to
your incredible support and participation, our
fundraising initiatives have been a resounding
success. Your generosity has allowed us to
enhance the learning experience of every
student in our school.**

**Moreover, our recent Literacy Night and Movie
Night were tremendous successes, drawing
families together for evenings filled with
learning and laughter. These events
showcased the power of community and the
importance of fostering a love for reading and
storytelling among our young learners.**

**As we eagerly await the Summer Picnic, let's
carry forward this spirit of togetherness and
enthusiasm. Let's continue to support one
another, celebrate our achievements, and
create lasting memories together.**

**Warmest regards,
Melissa**

WHAT'S IN THIS TERM'S ISSUE:

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STAY CONNECTED:

**To receive regular updates on school
happenings, please be sure you are signed
up for School Day and Twitter @brpwrdsb**

**Questions, suggestions or feedback to
share with the school?**

**Reach out to us at
bridgeport.school.council@gmail.com**

*"Bridgeport School Council's mission is to
advocate for our students, families and
educators to support our children's holistic
learning and development. We value
connecting the school and community,
building collaborative relationships, providing
resources and sharing information."*

Agendas and past minutes can be found
here: <https://brp.wrdsb.ca/school-council/>

If you need a meeting link or have any
questions please email:
bridgeport.school.council@gmail.com



SCHOOL UPDATES:

LITERACY NIGHT

We had a very successful Literacy Night at Bridgeport back in March. Our goal was to bring families out to enjoy an evening filled with structured literacy activities to help parents understand ways they can practise skills at home. The Glow Rooms were a hit! These spaces were filled with jumbo scrabble boards, synonym hunts, reading in the dark and fun puzzles. We also had a special visit from local author, Kate Jenks Landry!



Special thanks to Mrs. Yanke and Mrs. Terziano for organizing the night along with all the staff and volunteers who helped along the way.



DANCE CLUB

Over the past few months Dance Team has been offered to grades 1, 2 and 3 students. The team met once a week to move and groove to fun music! They also worked on a dance routine that we practised and perfected. They performed the routine for the school at the April assembly! The students were so proud of their hard work! They did an amazing job! Next, Dance Team will be offered to grades 4, 5 and 6!

PAST EVENTS:

MOVIE NIGHT

In January, we were pleased to bring back the Bridgeport Family Movie Night! The night was a huge hit and lots of families joined us for a screening of Super Mario Bros. The Movie. Special thanks to Mr. Crewson and the volunteers who helped set up and sell popcorn. An extra special thanks to Mark Gallas for working out the bugs with the sound. We hope to continue this tradition next year!





UPCOMING EVENTS:

DANCE-A-THON

The Bridgeport Public School Dance-a-thon is BACK! On Friday May 3, Bridgeport School Council will host a Dance-A-Thon for the entire school. Classes will have a chance to choose songs and come to the gym for a scheduled time to dance their hearts out. Students have been given forms to collect pledges from friends and family. Pledges should be returned to the school by Thursday May 2. The money raised will go towards school trips and celebrations.

If you are interesting in volunteering on the day of the Dance-A-Thon, please contact Bridgeport School Council - bridgeport.school.council@gmail.com



SUMMER PICNIC

The annual Bridgeport Summer Picnic will be held on Friday June 14, from 11:30am- 1pm. Students will have the opportunity to visit fun stations and play games with their family and friends. An order form will be sent home where families can order pizza for pick-up on the day of the picnic.

We are looking for volunteers for the day of the picnic! If you are interested in helping to run an activity, help with pizza or can set-up/take down, please send an email to: bridgeport.school.council@gmail.com





FUNDRAISING UPDATE:

POINSETTIA FUNDRAISER

Our poinsettia fundraiser that was held in November and December raised \$570. The money was allotted towards new cords for the sound system and literacy materials. Thank you to everyone who purchased items and the volunteers who helped to pick-up and organize the orders.

PIZZA FUNDRAISER

In February, School Council held a Pizza Fundraiser in cooperation with New Orleans Pizza at University Downs Plaza. The Council raised a total of \$210.

Money from both fundraisers will be allocated towards outdoor equipment and special education equipment.

Full-Year Fundraisers

Mabels Labels has many options for personalized labels so that you can label your childrens' clothing (the lost and found bin will thank you too!). Anytime throughout the year, orders placed through Mabel's Labels can support Bridgeport P.S when you follow these steps:

- *Go to www.mabelslabels.com
- *Click on 'Support a Fundraiser' button
- *Choose 'Bridgeport PS (Kitchener)' on school drop-down list
- *Place your order



If you're looking to purchase any physical gift cards, our school has an account set up with FundScrip for gift cards that are mailed directly to your house within 2-7 business days. The list of participating retailers is huge, including popular ones like Tim Horton's, Starbucks, Sport Chek, Toys R Us and even Conestoga Mall. This is a great idea for any holidays, teacher's gifts or any upcoming birthday parties. For any gift cards purchased, a percentage goes directly to our school. To get started:

- Go to www.fundscrip.com
- Click on 'Support a Group' and enter our invitation code MJLLJG and place your order



The school earns cash back on every purchase you make all year long! All you have to do is use their app or website to shop anytime with the brands you already love, like Amazon, Home Depot, Walmart, Sport Chek, Indigo, Old Navy, Apple, Esso, and Loblaws. It won't cost you any more than you're already planning to spend on items and it's completely virtual and contactless. You can use it to shop on-line, or to purchase e-gift cards at any time. Join our team now and you'll get a \$5 bonus the first time you shop:

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