

Banbury Heights School

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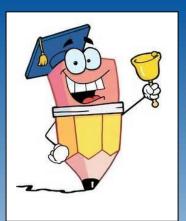
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BELL TIMES

8:45 am: Entry Bell

10:45am – 11:25am: First Nutrition Break

1:25pm – 2:05pm: Second Nutrition Break

3:05pm: Dismissal

October 2017



We have had a wonderful first two months of school and are looking forward to more excitement at Banbury Heights! Staff and students have been working hard and improving every day.

Halloween Festivities at Banbury – Tuesday, October 31

Primary Division: K-3

The primaries will be parading in their Halloween costumes in the afternoon. The parade will leave the school at approximately 2:30 and walk along the following route: Banbury Heights (tarvia) along Banbury Road to Coulbeck Road, through the walkway back to the tarvia area. In case of inclement weather, the parade will take place inside the school. Parents/Families are welcome to come out and view the parade at the school and along the route. Students may come dressed in their Halloween costumes. Students should NOT bring fake weapons, wear fake blood or wear masks inappropriate for an elementary school setting. Please respect the privacy and safety of all students by taking photographs at home. Please read further on page 2 for Guidelines for Halloween Costumes.

Junior and Intermediate Divisions (4-8)

There will be a separate junior and intermediate dance on Tuesday, October 31. The juniors will have a dance in the gym at 12:45-1:25pm. The intermediates (7-8) will have their dance at 2:05-3:00pm. A non-perishable donation for Banbury Heights food drive is always appreciated.

PEANUT BUTTER & SUBSTITUTE REMINDER

As we settle into our daily lunch routine and look ahead to Halloween, we would like to remind everyone that Banbury Heights is a peanut and nut-aware school. Please be diligent in packing lunches to ensure that products contain (or may contain) nuts are not included. Chocolate product labels also need to be read since many chocolate products either contain nuts or are made in facilities in which nuts are used.

In the past, home baked goods, candies and chocolates were often sent to school to be shared during special events like Halloween parties. Though home baked items that are made peanut- and nut-free may be brought to school in lunches consumed by your child only, they can no longer be accepted to be shared with classmates.

Prepackaged treats must indicate that the food is free of nuts and tree nuts. Please check the labels before you purchase any items that will be shared with others in the school. Thank you for your cooperation.

PICTURE DAYS

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 18

Kent (KP), Gregory (KP), Ott (KP), Price (1), Mann (3), Corpse (4/5), Shearim (5) Anschuetz (Jr. Tech), Stevens (6), McDougald (5/6), Matthews (7)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19

Karolyi (1), Butler (2), Iliopoulos (2/3), Hammer-Yip (3/4), Cronkwright (7/8), Murray (8)

REMINDERS ABOUT PIZZA AND PITA DAYS

Just a reminder that when you purchase pizza and pitas online, the cut off date for placing the order is two days before the actual date of delivery. For example, all pizza days that are on Fridays, will need to be pre-ordered no later than 11:59pm on Tuesday. Should Friday be a holiday, and pizza day be on a Thursday, the deadline would be 11:59pm on Monday. Every parent who has a cash-on-line account will automatically receive reminders before the closing time of any orders.

HEALTHY SNACK PROGRAM-

Every Tuesday and Thursday beginning October 12 for all students free of charge.



GUIDELINES FOR HALLOWEEN COSTUMES:

- No bare midriffs or "revealing" clothing, appropriate shoes must be worn, etc.
- You must be able to sit, walk, breathe, see and hear! (no masks that cover the face).
- Costumes cannot promote use of drugs, alcohol or weapons of any kind!
- No pretend "prop" weapons such as water pistols, knives or swords!
- All school rules will be enforced (i.e., no bikes or skateboards, etc.).
- costumes may not be offensive or inappropriate in any way
- Some of our students are still only 3 years old.
 Please avoid costumes that are overly scary or graphic.



TERRY FOX/HALYK RUN

Although the weather didn't cooperate, the power of perseverance and determination did. Despite the rainy day, our students brought their participation indoors on Friday, September 29, walking the hallways on both levels of the school, in an effort to raise awareness and funds to support Cancer research. The Grades 4 to 8's also brought their "Braveheart" spirit to the Terry Fox event that was held at Kiwanis Field on September 28. A special thanks to all our parent volunteers and congratulations to everyone for representing our school with pride!

On Friday, October 27, Banbury Heights will be hosting a Kindergarten Open House for parents at 2:10pm. Combined with the open house, we will be receiving special guests at 2:30pm to celebrate the expansion and revitalization of the kinder play area. Kinder parents are invited to join us.

All School Purchases are now on School Cash-on-Line

As of October 1, all food purchases and field trips will be payable using School-Cash-Online.

This program is quick, easy and safe and will eliminate the need for students to carry cash to school for such purchases.

- You can manage payments for each child in one program
- Your banking an personal information is protected

Register by following the easy steps below: Visit www.schoolcashonline.com
Select "Get Started Now" and follow the steps to register

- After you receive the confirmation email, please select the "click here" option, sign in and add each of your children to your household account.
- School staff showcase items for purchase in a School Cash Catalog and post it to the Parent Site. From there, parents receive email notification, check the Parent Site and click through to pay. Funds are moved electronically from the parent's bank account to the school's bank account.
- A short video tutorial is available at the following link: http://www.kevsoftware.com/movies/ParentRe gEnglish/

Should you have any difficulty in using or accessing the School Cash Online system, please follow these steps:

Navigate to your browser settings by going to the gear icon typically in the top right area of your web browser. Proceed to Advanced Settings. There, you need to check off TLS1.1 and TLS 1.2, and hit the apply button to accept the changes.

For more information and support contact the Parent Help Desk at:

1-866-961-1803 or parenthelp@schoolcashonline.com

For any other questions, please feel free to contact the school at 519 751-0142



As you already know, the school year is full of due dates and deadlines, and at times, we understand that students and parents may feel added stress in their already busy lives, we will do our best to give you plenty of time to help us stay on track. Remind your child regularly that any permission or order forms that come home need to be brought to your attention. On food days, orders need to be placed by a certain time, and we can't guarantee being able to accommodate late orders. In the case where permission forms for trips are due, Grand Erie District School Board policy states that the official Permission Form must be signed and returned. Hand written notes, or verbal (over the phone) permission is not acceptable as "informed consent" because of liability. Therefore, it's absolutely important that permission forms come in on time. When a school trip occurs, and the form has not been returned, the child will not be permitted to leave the school for the trip. We thank you for your cooperation.

October Dates for Banbury:

October 3 - P.A. Day

October 10 - QSP Fundraiser Ends

Oct 11 & 25 – Pita Days (order online in advance)

October 12 – Healthy Snack Program Begins (free)

October 16 - Intermediate Soccer Tournament

October 17 – IEP's go home

October 18 and 19 – School Picture Days

October 24 – Go Purple Day (for child abuse awareness)

October 27 – Kinder Open House & Ontario 150 Celebration at 2:10pm

October 27 – Booster Juice (order online in advance)

October 30 – Braveheart Assembly at 2:10pm

October 31 – Halloween

Other Important Dates:

October 5 to 11 – Sukkot (Judaism)

October 9 – Thanksgiving

October 12 – Shmini Atzeret (Judaism)

October 13 – Simchat Torah (Judaism)

October 19 – Diwali/Deepavali (Hindu)