

O C T O B E R 2 0 1 3

Baldonnel Broncos



Another Success Story!

A huge thank-you to all those students, staff and families who made donations to our penny drive! We reached our goal of over \$1500 and now the Pink Panthers get to decide what color I have to dye my hair ... yah!

We would also like to thank our PAC again for purchasing 24 new I-pads and cases for our students! Our staff seems super excited and keen on learning how to use this technology to supplement the learning that happens daily in our classrooms! We hope to have a system in place and get our students working with this technology before the end of October ... stay tuned!

House Team Leader-Board

**Pink
Panthers**

1117pts

**Wild
Walruses**

713pts

**Thunder
Bolts**

946pts

WITS

We have just introduced our students to this bullying prevention program during an official ceremony this week. Please discuss this with your child and encourage them to use these strategies!



Use Your WITS!



Fundraisers

We have a number of fundraisers about to start ... this is a great opportunity to purchase gifts for the holiday season and support our school at the same time! Our school will earn a minimum of 30% of all purchases!

Norcard – This info will be sent home on Friday. This fundraiser will run for the month of October. Please contact Mrs. McDermott if you have questions.

Regal – We are still waiting for these magazines to come in! This fundraiser will run until Christmas break. Please contact Mrs. McDermott or Mrs. Cooper if you have questions.

Purdy's – Our PAC will once again be organizing this fundraiser. It will roughly run for the month of November ... stay tuned!

PAC/Carnival Updates

Our first PAC meeting went very well and it was great to see a couple of new faces! We did make the decision to postpone the Fall Carnival until the spring ... this will give us more time to find a Carnival Committee Leader! Elections will be held on October 10th at 7pm and the monthly meeting will be on the 21st so get off that fence and come out to future meetings! We will also be finishing off the playground this Friday but we still don't have many volunteers signed up to help! Mr. James would like to start at 8am but please come by anytime during the day if you are able to help!

BRONCO ATHLETICS

We would like to thank our coaches, Mrs. Ross (Soccer) and Mrs. Ditner (XCcountry) for helping support our teams this season! The season for each sport is coming to a close (see calendar on pg. 3) and as always; our student athletes have done a tremendous job representing our school during games and races! Our new PE teacher, Mrs. O'Neil, has offered to coach volleyball (thank-you!) but depending on sign-up numbers we may need a second coach so please contact Mr. James if you are interested in helping out during volleyball season!



Appropriate Dress

It is certainly that time of the year where the weather will be very unpredictable so please ensure that your child is dressed accordingly! We always try to get the kids outside, light rain or colder temperatures does not change this approach. Also, all primary age students should have an extra set of clothes at the school for accidents or emergency situations.

Recycling

Please remember that we collect all refundable recycling donations! The weekly house team-recycling schedule was sent home with the September newsletter.

Canteen

Our school canteen is finally up and running along with our hot lunch orders. We will post a copy of our menu and prices on our school website.

Campbell's Soup Labels

Please remember that our school collects these as they earn our students a variety of equipment that gets used during their free time. We currently have quite a few points built up in our account and we will be making purchases as soon as the new catalogue comes out! Thank-you to Mrs. Rosie for once again offering to organize this for our students.

School Clothing

We are working on a new flyer of school clothing that will be sent home to all families later this month for those that wish to place pre-orders. We also hope to add a few new items to the flyer!

Rock & Roll Literacy Presentation

We are very excited to welcome author Sigmund Brouwer and NHL Hall of Famer, Bryan Trottier to our school on October 9th for their literacy presentation! Taylor school will be joining us for this presentation so our gym will be packed with lots of excited students!

School Choir

This will begin this coming Friday the 4th at lunch with Mrs. Kowalsky!

2nd Year Recorder Group

There will be a meeting on Tuesday the 8th at lunch with Mrs. Kowalsky for students who are interested in this opportunity!

Calendar of Events

October 4th – Playground Installation

October 5th – Elem. Soccer Tourney

October 7th-11th – Fire Prevention Week

October 7th – X-Country District Race

October 8th – School Pictures

October 9th – R&R Literacy Presentation

October 10th – PAC Elections 7pm

October 14th – Thanksgiving ... no school

October 21st – PAC Meeting

October 25th – NID ... no school