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**WORKING AND LEARNING TOGETHER
FOR ALL CHILDREN IN OUR COMMUNITY**

November NEWS.

October 30 - November 13

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Scholastic Book Fair @ FQECS October 27th thru November 10th in the library.

Languages 9 Course offered at Bert Fox!!

Last year, the grade nine classes were split into four groups during period four and during that time they attended four different sessions – Home Ec., Industrial Arts, Art and Languages. Every forty-two days the groups would rotate and so each group received forty two days of each of the subjects. This year they are split into three groups and will rotate between Art, Home Ec. and Languages.

We have been very fortunate that in our community of Fort Qu'Appelle and surrounding area, there are many people who are willing to donate their time and energy to come to our school four times a year. They teach our grade nine students a little bit about their language. They share a little about their culture, the people, their country and also their personal stories. Most bring various items from their country to show the students. Some bring food or treats and we also prepare some of the recipes they bring. Some can only come one day, some come for two days, some for three. Everyone is a community member, busy with work, family, and commitments, so we are very grateful for every moment they share with us.

Mrs. Clarke is the teacher. English is her second language. She has taught in Ukrainian bilingual immersion and core programs from kindergarten to university. She has taught grade seven to twelve French.

For this course, Mrs. Clarke has developed a language unit that weaves in and out between the various guests. This unit covers topics such as the basics of language, international processes and standards of language learning, language origins and language families. We touch on the basics of grammar, philology and rudiments of linguistics. Students also study other forms of language such as body language, computer language and the language of symbols and music – as time permits.

The languages that we have learned so far and the guest instructors are:

- Afrikaans – Adri Lombard, Yolandi Lombard
- Arabic – Ed Sargees
- Assyrian – Ed Sargees
- Chinese – Dean Huang
- Dakota Sioux – Jordan Redman, Darius Isnana, Keenan Yuzicappi
- French – Rolande Homeniuk
- German – Dorothy von Falkenhausen, Stephanie Schiffer
- Japanese – Akiko Shabuya-Donison, Eriko Parker
- Korean – Alex Hung
- Mexican Spanish – Bruce Farrer
- Peruvian Spanish – Lion's exchange students Miguel and Rodrigo
- Romanian – Mikaela Vint
- Ukrainian – Darlene Clarke
- Welsh – Dave Williams

Mrs. Clarke is always on the search for guest instructors for languages not listed here. If you know of someone who can contribute to this class, please contact her at the school at 332-4343.

IMPORTANT DATES.....

Oct. 27 - Nov. 10	FQECS - Scholastic Book Fair
Oct. 31 - 9:00 am	Sr. Girl's Volleyball Tourney for a "Ghoulish Good TIME"!!!
November 8	FQECS Pancake Breakfast 9:00 am- 1:00 pm
November 10	Remembrance Day Service - BFCHS - 10:30
November 11	Remembrance Day - NO SCHOOL
November 20	Report Cards go Home - K - 12
November 24/25	Parent Teacher Interviews 3:45 - 7:45
November 27	No School

OUR THANKS.....

Fort Qu'Appelle Schools would like to extend a HUGE thank you to everyone who contributed to our Feast. In particular, the students at Education Is Our Buffalo for preparing the poles for the Tipi, the Elders, Wendell Starr, File Hills Qu'Appelle Tribal Council, the BFCHS Commercial Cooking students, and teacher Gwen Paul, everyone who donated food, and all the students, staff, guests who attended this wonderful event.

Don't forget to keep saving those POP CAN TABS FOR WHEELCHAIRS.....

Our schools would like your help in collecting pop tabs. These tabs are eventually turned into wheelchairs. Two years ago we collected 1 plastic grocery bag full. Last year we collected 8 bags. What can we do this year? Thanks to everyone who takes the time to save those little tabs - keep up the great work!! You can drop your tabs off to:

Fort Elementary— Mrs. Dickie—Room 10,

Bert Fox— Mrs. LaBrash—Room 105

THANKS FOR YOUR HELP!!!



WOW...look at all those pop tabs!



Food and Fun with Books

Choose a book to read or read aloud by the whole family. Look for food and fun activity ideas embedded in the story. Create a special family day centered on this book or story. Choose foods to comprise the menu for the day or for a single meal. Play games or engage in activities as a family that are mentioned in the story, like going for a hike or playing tag.

Menu for the Day

Breakfast

Story Selection: Goldilocks and the Three Bears

Food Idea: Oatmeal Porridge

Lunch

Story Selection: Little Red Riding Hood

Food Idea: Picnic Basket

Dinner

Story Selection: Blueberries for Sal

Food Idea: Blueberries and Ice Cream

TD Grade One Book Giveaway

Since 2000, in cooperation with ministries of education, school boards and library organizations across Canada — the CCBC has given every Grade One student a free Canadian children's book. The book is to be taken home by each child to keep and to read with their parents. This far-reaching and innovative annual program, which provides over 500,000 books to Grade One children across Canada, is fully funded by the TD Bank Financial Group.

This November, Grade One children nation-wide will take home *Let's Go! The Story of Getting from There to Here*, written by Lizann Flatt, illustrated by Scot Ritchie and published by Maple Tree Press.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST at FQECS

Our Grades 1, 3 and 5 classrooms will be hosting our monthly pancake breakfast on Sunday morning of November 8.

Breakfast will be served from 9:00 am until 1:00 pm, so please come out and support our students as they raise funds for our trip to Globe Theatre later in the month. This year students will see 'Peter Pan'.

Price for breakfast is \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children aged six and under. We look forward to seeing you for pancakes on November 8, at our FQECS gym.



So You Think You've Got Talent?

Community Outreach Talent Show

November 28th, 2009

Bert Fox Community High School

7:00 pm

- Prizes awarded for most votes, most talent, best costume
- Votes are 25 cents each.
- Acts are five minutes maximum... time violations will cost you!
- Sponsor a *Corporate Table* and *Make a Staff Party* out of it.
- Enter as a family, a volunteer group, a club, a business!
- Challenge a relative, a friend, a competitor to enter if you do.

Coffee, tea, and desserts for sale.



Bring your family.
Bring your friends.
Bring your colleagues.
But most importantly, bring your TALENT!

To register your act, contact Sheena Koops:

Home 332-3023

School 332-4343

sheena.koops@pvsc.ca

Grade 10, 11 and 12 French students trip to Europe Easter 2011

The next meeting of the French students trip to Europe – hereinafter called “**French Connection II!**” will be held on

Monday, November 23, at 7:30 p.m. in the BFCBS library.

If you missed the first meeting in October - **Come join us November 23!!!**



FOECS's Breakfast and a Book program

was successful again for the 3rd year in a row. This event had 140 visitors who enjoyed a book along with a nutritious breakfast. Thanks to everyone for attending our fun literacy program!!!

Special mention of our guest readers...Ms. Tami, Mr. Jewitt, Miss Kate and Mrs. Debra Melle...the students really enjoyed their stories!!! Thanks also to Mrs. Smith for organizing this GREAT program!!



BERT FOX COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL



2009 Magazine Campaign Notice

We kicked off our Annual Magazine Fundraiser on October 9th and the last collection date will be November 4. Our campaign will again be serviced by CCRP (Canadian Community Reading Plan), which is proudly owned and operated here in Western Canada.

Please read all instructions provided with the materials and do your best to participate in this fundraiser. We have chosen this program for many reasons including:



- ◆ PROMOTES READING
- ◆ 40% Profit on every order goes directly to the school. All incentives are paid for by CCRP and do not come out of our profits!
- ◆ All Orders are guaranteed 100% for service and satisfaction. Any questions or concerns please call CCRP's toll free number 1-800-665-5133.
- ◆ The program will accept any lower priced coupons that match CCRP's offer in terms of issues, years & currency. Just attach the coupon to the order form.

There are 3 ways to order:

- ◆ **New subscriptions** can be purchased.
- ◆ **Renew** any subscriptions that are currently being received. The renewal orders will not start until the current subscription expires. Please copy (or attach) information from current address labels to the order form.
- ◆ **Gift orders** can be sent to anyone in **Canada ONLY**. (Christmas, Birthdays etc). **Gift cards are available in the School office or on CCRP's website www.ccrp.ca**

ON-LINE ORDERING: You, family, and friends can also purchase magazines online! Simply go to www.ccrp.ca, enter our school code and order **New**, **Renewal** or **Gift** subscriptions. Our school will receive **40%** of any magazine ordered online. The student must bring in a copy of the order confirmation for online orders to qualify for prizes.

OUR SCHOOL CAMPAIGN CODE IS: SK1029

Please note:

Make all cheques payable to **Bert Fox Community High School**

If paying by credit card (Mastercard and Visa only) please ensure card numbers and expiry date are clear and correct "CCRP School Magazines" will appear on your statement, not the name of the school.

Extra Order forms and Gift cards are available from the OFFICE and online

CCRP does not endorse "door-to-door" sales. This "Family and Friends" program helps to keep money in our community. Thank you in advance for your participation. Last year we raised over \$5,200

We are contributing to a community of readers – please encourage your child to sell at least one subscription.

Sincerely,

Staff & Students



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Leadership in Learning and Life

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Prairie Valley School Division is implementing a new elementary report card this school year for grades 1 to 5. The purpose of this letter is to introduce and assist you in understanding the new elementary report card and prepare for the first term parent-teacher conferences later this fall.

Our new report card is a result of extensive consultation and research over the past two years. The report card has been piloted in a number of schools and the resulting document reflects the feedback received from students, parents and teachers.

How is the new report card different?

The new report card is a multiple-page document inserted into a grade specific folder. The folder provides important information about grade level curricula expectations: a summary of the key topics in each area of study, along with a description of grade level reading behaviors and a sample of year-end reading text. Writing skill descriptors and a writing sample to show year-end expectations are included.

The new report card identifies the learning program in each subject area determined most suitable for the student: regular, reduced, enriched. It has an emphasis on providing parents with descriptive feedback about student progress.

As a part of the report card process, students will be engaged in goal setting and planning for continued progress and success.

What will remain the same?

The new report card will continue to report on student achievement, student effort, as well as work habits and social development. Information on student progress in all subjects will be provided.

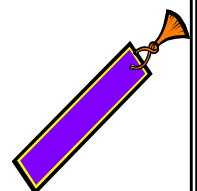
Where can I find out more information about report cards?

Additional information, report card samples, and brief video overviews are posted on the Prairie Valley School Division website: www.pvsd.ca

Time to Read continues to promote reading as a core activity of students. In November, we recognize the contributions of Canadian children's literature to our literacy landscape. Canadian Children's Book Week, from November 14-21, has the theme "Gold Medal Reading!." Many PVSD schools and branch libraries will be accessing the author tour during this time or throughout the year. Watch for local information regarding author visits. <http://www.bookweek.ca>

BOOKMARKS FOR SOUTH AFRICA.....

Students at Bert Fox and FQCS made book marks for a global literacy awareness project. They were partnered with a school in South Africa. Thank you to all who participated.



Superintendent of School Services Congratulates Fort Qu'Appelle Schools for recent Feast.....

I want to add my message of appreciation to you, your staff, students, and community for the celebration. I was proud to be in a school and community that made this a priority. Your leadership in this area is exceptional. The involvement of the Elders and First Nation leaders is demonstration of the partnerships you have established.

You can be confident that your event is an action in the spirit of the Ministry of Education's Cultural Affirmation and School Climate focus and our School Division's commitment in the area of First Nations and Métis Education priorities.

Good job! Thanks again for the invitation.

David Riddle – Superintendent of School Services – Prairie Valley School Division

Ministry of Education : Cultural Affirmation and School Climate

In order for learning to take place, students must feel that the school reflects their cultural community. We know from experience and research that many Aboriginal students in the province do not find schools to be culturally affirming places. Our recommendations in this area are aimed at ensuring that schools promote the well being of each individual and community by affirming the cultures, traditions, languages, spirituality, and world views of all the students

Globe Theatre Trips

This year marks our sixth annual trip to the Globe Theatre's Christmas Musical. Students from Grades 1 through 6 will attend a showing of 'Peter Pan'. If past productions are any indication, we are in for another wonderful experience. Our students will be attending an afternoon matinee during the third week of November.

Once again we are fundraising for this event through our Sunday morning pancake breakfasts. Times are 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. and the place is the FQECs pancake emporium (Gym). On November 8, the breakfast will be organized by Grades 1, 3 and 5. The breakfast on December 6 will be hosted by Grades 2, 4 and 6. So please come out and enjoy a great pancake breakfast and visit while supporting our trips to Globe Theatre. Keep in mind we will also have a bake table for you to take advantage of.



See you there!



PRAIRIE TRAILS ARTS COUNCIL PERFORMING ARTS SCHOLARSHIPS

The Prairie Trails Arts Council is offering two \$400.00 performing arts scholarships for 2009.

The scholarships are open to amateur performers only, between the ages of 13 and 25, in the Lipton - Fort Qu'Appelle district. (Amateur being defined as any person whose principle means of livelihood is not obtained from practicing the art form for which the scholarship is to be used.)

This scholarship is to be used for any type of study within the performing arts field (tuition for classes or workshops; travel to classes; music, voice, dance, drama, etc. lessons; supplies required for lessons such as books or costumes).

Applications are to be submitted in writing, stating name, age, qualifications (e.g. past training and experience, etc), plans for the future, lessons or courses to be taken, length of course, and cost of lessons or course.

Upon completion of the course, the successful applicant may be asked to perform at a local show.

The successful applicants will be selected from the applications submitted by Nov. 30, 2009.

Submit applications to:

Performing Arts Scholarship Committee
Prairie Trails Arts Council
c/o Anita Reisdorf
Box 11
LIPTON SK S0G 3B0



FQ ECS - AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Cheerleading Mondays Gr. 5 - 12

Miss Kate, Miss Vollman, Eriko and Kaylen Larocque will be coaching cheerleading this year. We are going to be working on stunting and tumbling. All students need to bring a change of clothes and proper runners for stunting. This program will run for the entire year.

Pre-K and Kindergarten Family Fun and Fitness Tuesdays 6:30 - 7:30 Gym Starts Oct 13

Join Mrs. Robinson, Kate and Grace for some fun times playing in the gym as a family. There will be a variety of activities and games to play freely around the gym.

Girls on the Move Gr.5 - 7 Wednesdays 3:30 - 5:00 Kitchen/Gym

The Canadian Association for the Advancement of Women and Sport and Physical Activity has funded another session at FQ ECS. Kate and Heather will be running this program until December. We will be having guest presenters come in or we will go on outings to work with the girls on topics such as drama, dance, self defence, computer info, spa days, horse back riding and yoga to name a few. We will be meeting with the girls to get their input as this program is for them and we hope to incorporate all the wonderful ideas they have.

Glee Club Gr.3 - 5 Thursdays, 3:30 - 4:30 Arts Ed.

Ms. Bertsch and Mrs. Waldbauer will be teaching the students a variety of songs to sing and perform within our community and school.

Dinner and a Movie Gr.7 Tuesdays 3:30 - 6:00 Kitchen

Kate will be cooking with the students from the deceptively delicious cookbook- everything has veggies in it. The students will be watching school appropriate movies while they cook for each other. There are 15 spots available. Students must sign up with Kate.

Open Gym Gr.5 - 7 Thursdays 6:00 - 7:00 pm.

Students can come for free time in the gym as well as play games like bowling pin tag, fireball, and bench ball. **Doors open from 6:00-6:15**

Table Tennis Gr. 5 - 7

Mrs. Koops will be offering Table Tennis after schools on Thursday at Bert Fox. Keep your eyes and ears open for more info.

****School Remembrance Day Service will be November 10th - 10:30 a.m. - PUBLIC WELCOME****



We have Computers for Sale!

All machines have been tested and refurbished by our own Bert Fox students.

High-speed Internet ready, Windows XP based systems from \$70-\$200

Contact Mr. Boutin-Maloney at 332-4343

Family Fire Safety Night



Thank you to all the volunteer firefighters that brought their fire gear, the trucks, and demonstrated for children and their families how to get out safely in a fire. We had 21 families - 75 people - attend our pre-k to grade 1 family fire safety night. Each family went home with a 'Stop Drop and Roll' book to read at home and practice their family escape plan. All the children were able to practice rolling out of bed when they heard the smoke detector and safely crawl to the door, feel the door, and then crawl to safety.



Pre K News

October was a busy month of activity for our children and their families. It was great to see so many families attend the "**Come Read With Me**" literacy evenings in the library with Kate Roberts. Watch for more parent education sessions in the months to come. I would like to thank the **Fort Fire Department** for coming to our school to educate children and their families about important life saving fire safety behaviours. It was a fun, easy and rewarding evening for all! Families had a great time at the **Pumpkin Carving Party!** Children dressed in costume, carved a work of art to take home and enjoyed goodies from the Treat Potluck Table. Thank you everyone for your delicious contributions! A special thanks goes out to Myrna & Joe Frank for generously supplying beautiful pumpkins for our children!

NOVEMBER 1 - 20, 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 <i>Day 2</i>	3 <i>Day 3</i>	4 <i>Day 4</i>	5 <i>Day 5</i> FQ ECS - Hotdogs/Smokies 	6 <i>Day 6</i>	7 <i>Gr. 5/6 Girls Volleyball @ Pilot Butte Tournament</i>
8 FQ ECS <i>Pancake Breakfast Gr. 1, 3, 5,</i>	9 <i>Day 1</i>	10 <i>Day 2</i> <i>Remembrance Day Service 10:30 - BFCHS Public Welcome</i>	11 <i>Remembrance Day</i>	12 <i>Day 3</i> <i>Day 45</i> <i>Corn Dog/Pizza Pops</i>	13 <i>Day 4</i>	14
15	16 <i>Day 5</i>	17 <i>Day 6</i>	18 <i>Day 1</i>	19 <i>Day 2</i> FQ ECS Hotdogs/Smokies 	20 <i>Day 3</i> <i>Report Cards go home</i>	21

FQ ECS AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMMING - November

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	<u>Volleyball</u> Gr. 5/6 3:30 - 5:00 FQ ECS Gym Gr. 7/8 3:30 - 5:00 BFCHS Gym	BFCHS Guitar Club 3:30 - 5:00 - Mrs. Koops Room	<u>Glee club</u> Gr. 3-5 3:30-4:30 Arts Ed <u>Volleyball</u> Gr. 7/8 3:30 - 5:00 FQ ECS Gym	
<u>Cheerleading</u> Gr.5-12 3:30-4:30 Gym	<u>Dinner and a Movie</u> Gr.7 3:30-6:00 kitchen	<u>Girls on the Move</u> Gr.5-7 3:30-5 Gym	<u>Table Tennis</u> Gr. 5 - 7 3:30 - Bert Fox (Miss Kate will let you know when this is going to start.)	<u>Cheerleading</u> Gr. 5 - 12 3:30 - 4:30 Gym
	<u>Family Fun and Fitness</u> Pre K-K families 6:30-7:30 Gym Starts Oct. 13		<u>Open Gym</u> Gr.5-7 6:00-7:00	