



# Beaver Bank Kinsac News



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## April 2019



### Dates To Remember

- Tues., April 2 – SAC meeting @ 5:45 in the library
- Tues., April 2 - PTA meeting @ 6:30 in the library
- Tues., April 2 – Toonies for Autism - Autism Awareness Day
- Wed., April 10 – Evening parent/teacher – 5:30 to 7:30
- Wed., April 10 – Family Book Fair - 5:30 to 7:30 in the library
- Thurs., April 11 – Professional development for teachers in the morning - No School
- Thurs., April 11 - Afternoon parent/teacher – 1:00 to 3:00 - No School
- Thursday April 11 - Family Book Fair – 1:00 to 3:00 in the library
- Fri., April 12 – PTA Family Dance – 6:30 to 7:30 (doors open at 6:15)
- Fri., April 19 – Good Friday – No School
- Mon., April 22 – Easter Monday – No School
- Wed., May 1 – Vision screening for incoming primaries
- Wed., May 8 – Primary Orientation – 1 to 2



**We would like to extend a HUGE THANK YOU to...**



- The Knights of Columbus and the rest of our Breakfast Club volunteers for serving up some yummy egg wraps to our students last month! They were a big hit!
- Our BBK PTA and our BBK Families for raising money to buy flexible seating and standing desks for our students. The students are really happy to have them and they are being well used in every classroom!



Tuesday, April 2 is World Autism Awareness Day. BBK is registered and excited to take part in the first ever Toonies for Autism! Half of the Funds we raise will remain at BBK to be used to enhance resources for students with autism and other learning needs. The other half of the funds will go to our local Autism Nova Scotia Chapter. Don't forget your toonie on Tuesday, April 2!

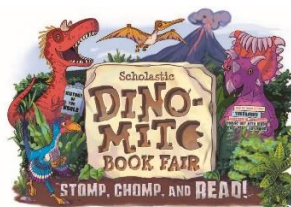


### **EXCEL REGISTRATION INFORMATION FOR 2019-2020:**

The EXCEL program will be using a new registration and payment system for the 2019-20 school year. The software offers a secure, convenient, web-based platform on which clients can register their child(ren) **online** for the EXCEL program.

To ensure that the new system is fully operational for the registration period, the designated registration dates of April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2019 for current participants and May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019 for new participants will be **postponed** until late Spring 2019. Despite the delay in the registration dates, it is anticipated that clients will be informed of their acceptance to the EXCEL program no later than June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

Please visit <https://www.hrce.ca/about-our-schools/parents/excel-child-care/registration> in the coming weeks to receive the latest information on the 2019-20 EXCEL registration process and dates for early and general registration.



### **A Message from Mrs. Gaudet in the Library**

It's time to ROARRR for reading! The Dino-Mite Book Fair is arriving on Monday April 8th and everyone is invited to stomp, chomp, and READ! There will be "dino-riffic" student previews, contests and a Family Event as big as a Brontosaurus!

One great way to ensure our children get started with reading and keep on reading all year long is with the Classroom Wish List program. We urge you to stop by the CWL display when you first arrive at the Fair. Learn how purchasing books and donating them to your child's classroom can give little readers even greater access to the books they want to read by expanding existing classroom libraries. Profits from Book Fair come directly back to our wonderful and awesome school library so please come out and support this great literacy fundraiser.

# SCHOOL YEARBOOK

## 2018-2019 Yearbooks

You can now go online and order your 2018-2019 BBK Yearbook. Go to <https://ybpay.lifetouch.ca/> and enter our code: **13124919**

**\*\*Yearbooks will be available for sale during Parent/Teacher interviews, April 10 and 11.\*\***

## Intimate Images and Cyber-protection

The rapid growth of smart phones, social media and the anonymity of the online world has created increasing opportunity for cyberbullying and the unwanted sharing of intimate images. The impacts of these behaviours can be devastating for victims. Supports are available. For more information, please visit [novascotia.ca/cyberscan](http://novascotia.ca/cyberscan) . If you believe your child is a victim of cyberbullying, or that an intimate image of them was shared without their consent, call CyberScan at 902-424-6990 or toll free at 855-702-8324.



## Student Cell Phones and Electronics

We strongly encourage families to keep all student cell phones and electronics at home. Things are misplaced and damaged at school everyday and we do not want anyone upset about a lost or damaged cell phone or electronic device. It is also very difficult for school staff to monitor appropriate internet access and photos/videos on personal devices which could compromise the safety and security of the students in our school. For these reasons, it is our hope that families will choose to keep all student electronic devices at home. We do recognize however, that some families want their children to carry their electronics back and forth to school for a variety of valid reasons. In these very special circumstances, students are expected to leave their electronics off and in their backpacks during their entire day at school. They are not permitted to be out at any time when students are on school property. The only exception to this is if a classroom teacher is permitting their students to use their personal devices for a special learning activity or reward. It is important for all

families to know that the school will not take responsibility for any lost or damaged electronics. We thank you in advance for your support.

### **Primary Registration**

Primary registration for September 2019 will continue this month. Children being registered for grade Primary must be 5 years of age on or before December 31, 2019. Parents/guardians are required to show the child's Birth Certificate, proof of residency, and provincial health card number.



### **Student Attendance**

We want our students to reach their full potential. To reach that potential, it's important that they come to school regularly, on time and remain at school until the end of the day.

**Did you know?** More than 25 per cent of students miss more than 16 days of school a year. Research shows that poor attendance is linked to lower marks. If you are looking for support with getting your child to school, please let us know. For information about the NS Student

Attendance and Engagement policy please visit:

<https://www.ednet.ns.ca/student-attendance-and-engagement-policy>



### **BBK Gear**

Check out our BBK gear at: <http://headlinepromotions.ca/beaverbank/>



### **Parking Lot Safety**

In an effort to maximize student safety, we are asking families not to drive into the driveway or parking lot during morning drop off and afternoon pick up. These areas need to be clear for buses and walkers. For those of you who are entering the parking lot during these times, please remain parked until the buses leave the driveway. Please do not try to cut in front of them as they are moving.



### **Information**

Please follow us on Twitter @bbkinsac and on our website at <https://bbk.hrce.ca> for information and updates. You will find contact information for our school staff on our website. Please feel free to contact us anytime!