The Barnwell Beat November Newsletter 2021

OFFICE NOTES:

Welcome to our first Barnwell Beat Newsletter. The intent is to provide parents with a short snapshot of what has been happening in our school since we recognize that it has been difficult seeing what's going on with Covid restrictions and not everyone is on social media.

Report cards are going out on November 10th. Parent-Teacher Interviews are on November 18th. Due to current restrictions, appointments need to be made in advance. Please contact Julie in the office and she'll be happy to help you!

Our Remembrance Day Service is on Thursday, November 10th @ 10:30 AM. We have a poppy donation box for the Legion kept on the main counter for those who would like to send in money. Students will have a poppy for Remembrance Day.

There is no school on Thursday, November 11th or Friday, November 12th.

Our school is now on Facebook to help provide highlights of what is happening within our school. Visit <u>https://www.facebook.com/BarnwellSchool</u> to follow us!

ATHLETICS:

Congratulations to our Tier 1 Girls and Boys teams, the Divisional Champs & Southern Zone champs in volleyball this year! We would also like to congratulate our Tier 2 Girls who won Silver in their



Division. We are proud of our student athletes and their representation of our school, it's been awesome to have school sports back. We'd like

to thank the coaches, refs, and parents for their support of our players and the Trojan Athletics Program.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH:

On October 31st we acknowledged the students of the month for October. Staff members are always watching their students for hard work, acts of kindness, and other positive behaviours that exemplify what it means to have Purple Pride! Congratulations to the following students:

Kindergarten: Trey Hudson Grade 3: Samuel Thiessen Grade 6: Jacob Anderson Grade 9: Dane Jensen Grade 1: Hazel Leishman Grade 4: Yann Bennett Grade 7: Kade Haslam Grade 2: Berkley Johnson Grade 5: Karlee Rasmussen Grade 8: Kim Camps

BREAKFAST/ SNACK PROGRAM:

Brain research shows that students that are not hungry, learn better. We recognize that our school days start early and kids don't always get a chance to eat before they have to leave for school (or they just might be awake enough to want to eat!). Although food has been available in the past, some students have been apprehensive about asking for it. To help support student learning, we have started a breakfast program in the elementary end. Cereal or fruit, or other snacks are brought to classrooms at the beginning of the day. It is available to all students and they choose whether they would like a snack or not. In the junior high end, we have established snack stations in each shared learning space. There are mini fridges that will contain milk and fruit, a kettle, and a bin filled with







breakfast bars, cereal, and instant oatmeal. Students are encouraged to access it whenever they need it, without having to ask and without judgement. Since starting the program 3 weeks ago, the students have responded well to it.

SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL:

The next school School Advisory Council meeting is on Wednesday, November 10 @ 7:00 pm in the Barnwell Public Library. All parents of students in Barnwell are automatically considered members of the council. Attending meetings is an opportunity to hear about matters that impact our school and to provide input. If you have any questions about the council, please feel free to contact this year's chair of the council, Candice Gibb by emailing barnwellparentcouncil@gmail.com.

STUDENTS COUNCIL:

This year's Grade 9 student council did a great job of hosting a pancake breakfast and costume parade for our students. Their goal is to organize at least one school spirit activity per



month. An election was held in October to vote for executive positions. Jess Nielsen is President, Dane Jensen is Vice-President, Maddy Nielsen is Secretary, Gideon Rasmussen is



Treasurer, Macy Torrie is Social Convener, and Dane

VanHollander is the Elementary Liaison. All members of the grade 9 class are representatives for the student council and help in organizing and running events. We are looking forward to a great year!

BOOK FAIR:

Once again we had great community support for our book fair. We raised nearly \$2000 in new books for our library. We would like to thank everyone who came in and bought a book and those student workers who helped in organizing and running the book fair this year. Keep on reading everyone!



STUDENT ENGAGEMENT:

It's hard to believe that our first term is coming to an end. The Junior High classes will be signing up for option classes for Term 2. This term students engaged in some drama, guitar, art, board game creation, journalism, film studies, and foods.



Grade 2 Students who made the most of the first snowfall during recess!



October's Students of the Month