



BEYNON FIELDS P.S.

Community Newsletter

October 13, 2023

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Please review below some important updates and reminders.

Thanksgiving - Mon. Oct 9

This is a reminder that there are no classes on Monday, October 9 for Thanksgiving. The school will be closed on that day.

Volunteers Wanted

We are looking for volunteers to help with pizza lunch distribution here at BFPS. Pizza days are Thursdays this year. If any parent/guardian is willing and interested in volunteering, please email rose.kipling@yrdsb.ca to be added to our list.

Forest of Reading

The Forest of Reading® is a Canada-wide reading program! This program aims to encourage a genuine and life-long love of reading among readers of all ages and helps celebrate Canadian books, publishers, authors and illustrators. More than 270,000 readers participate annually!

As a bilingual book club, students will have access to books in French and English from a variety of genres. There are 10 nominated books in each category and students will read at least five of the ten titles to be eligible to vote in April. Votes are counted from across Canada to determine the winners. We aim to celebrate the winning authors at the Forest of Reading Festival in May, where students can meet authors and illustrators, attend workshops and meet readers from across the GTA.

If your student is interested in joining, encourage them to listen to our morning announcements for more information!

Mme Noakes & Mme Shifman

Renewed Computer Technology (RCT)

Lunchtime Chess

Beynon Fields is proud to offer a lunchtime chess program through Chess n' Math Association beginning this November. Families can register their child for the 7-session program which carries a cost of \$112.

Registration and payment go directly to the Chess n' Math Association. For more information and to register please visit this website: <https://chess-math.org/beynon-fields-fall2023>

Latin Heritage Month - October

Throughout Canada, in each and every year, the month of October is to be known as "Latin American Heritage Month". This Act may be cited as the [Latin American Heritage Month Act](#).

Latin Hispanic Canadian Heritage Month is observed in October. It is an opportunity to remember, celebrate and educate future generations about the outstanding achievements and contributions of Hispanic people in the province.

Ontario is home to more than 400,000 first-, second- and third-generation Canadians of Hispanic origin. As early as 1914, Canadians who originated from 23 Hispanic countries began immigrating to the province and today the Hispanic community is one of the fastest growing in Ontario.

Hispanic-Canadians represent a dynamic community that has made significant contributions to the growth and prosperity of the Province of Ontario.

Latin Heritage Month Meet-and-Greet

The York Region District School Board's Latine Educators Network is hosting its first meet and greet for all Latine/o/a/x families and staff. For more information and to register, please [see the event flyer](#).

The Centre for Black Student Excellence Newsletter | October 2023

The Centre for Black Student Excellence newsletter is dedicated to educating families about resources in York Region District School Board in alignment under the Dismantling Anti-Black Racism Strategy Implementation Plan. You can [read it here](#).

GIVE - Get Involved. Volunteer in Education.

Develop Skills to Support School Communities. This free information session is organized by York Region District School Board in partnership with Catholic Community Services of York Region. For more information and to register, please [see the flyer](#).

Sincerely,

BFPS Administration