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BCSD Newsletter

Dear Families and Guardians,
I hope this newsletter finds you well! Time flies, and October has already come to an end! It has been a busy and meaningful month filled with exciting activities, special events, and opportunities for students to connect and participate in school life.

Spirit Week
Our Leadership class organized several fun activities during Spirit Week, held from October 28–30. Students planned and hosted a school-wide carnival with a variety of games, showcasing their creativity, teamwork and leadership skills.

The celebrations also featured a cultural food event with a variety of homemade treats and dishes, including Indigenous Bannock tacos, Japanese onigiri (rice balls), Halloween cupcakes and pumpkin tarts. Students worked hard preparing the food with support from the BCSD Foods and Life Skills classes while learning about Indigenous traditions, the significance of the Potlatch and different cultural foods.





To wrap up the week, students dressed up in costumes and enjoyed Halloween-themed celebrations.

It was a wonderful opportunity for students to develop leadership skills, connect with one another, learn about different cultures and celebrate together. A big thank-you to our Leadership students and everyone who helped make the week a success!

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Cell Phone Policy
Before the start of the school year, I shared a letter outlining our school's cell phone policy. We continue to notice that some students are having difficulty putting their iPhones away during class and staying focused on their schoolwork.

We kindly ask families to support and encourage their children to place their phones in the designated classroom cell phone box when entering class. Your support and cooperation are appreciated as we work together to help students stay focused and engaged in their learning.

IEP Meetings
Thank you to all the families who have participated in our IEP meetings. We appreciate your time, involvement, and collaboration in supporting your child's learning and development.

Our IEP meetings will continue this week. If you have not yet signed up for a meeting, please contact Kelly or Christine to arrange a time.

Here are some important dates for you to be aware for the month of October:

November 2-6	IEP meetings
November 10	Remembrance Day Assembly
November 11	School Closed
November 20	Pro-Day (school closed)

Thank you for your continued support as we work together to create a positive, inclusive, and supportive learning environment for all BCSD students.

Sincerely,

Cathy Bennett, M.Ed., Ed.S.
BCSD Principal

Jennifer Zuvic, M.Ed
BCSD Vice-Principal
