

The Beacon

BHS Home and School Newsletter

November 2018

We all know it takes a village to raise a child and BHS is an important part of this village. The teachers, staff and administration go beyond the call of duty to offer our children extracurriculars, clubs, sports teams, memorable academic experiences and baked cookies! At our school, the students learn they are part of something bigger and are given the opportunity to contribute to their local and global community in so many ways. This is where the BHS Home & School comes in! Our mandate is to enhance the academic and social experience of the students of BHS. We raise money so that we can provide the extras that make our children's time at BHS rewarding and memorable. So in this newsletter, you will find out how we raise funds for BHS and how we spend the money we raise. We are always looking for enthusiastic parents and new ideas so you are welcome to come to the monthly meetings. They are a great way to find out about what is happening at BHS and you won't be roped into something you don't want to do, we promise! For more information go to:

<http://beaconsfield.lbpsb.qc.ca/Parents/Home-and-School> or email us at homeandschoolbhs@gmail.com



HOME & SCHOOL NEEDS YOU!



Currently we have 29 Home & School members and we hope to continue to grow that number throughout the year. Congratulations to Deborah Matthews who won the draw for a Chapters gift card. It is not too late to become a member, go to <http://beaconsfield.lbpsb.qc.ca/Poratl/beaconsfield/HS/Membership-Form.pdf> for a copy of the membership form. BHS Home & School meetings are generally held on the third Monday of the month in the library. Our next meeting is Monday, November 19th and we will be discussing TSAW (teacher, staff appreciation week) for anyone interested in being part of that team. There is no December meeting but we resume back in January. Donations to the Home & School are accepted and greatly appreciated, they can be sent in to the main office (the cheque and envelope addressed to the BHS Home & School).

PARENT VOLUNTEERS



Thank you to all the parent volunteers who helped with the "Welcome to BHS" phone calls, the "orientation" evenings, the Welcome Back Breakfast, Popcorn Fridays and the BHS alumni reunion.



FALL FUNDRAISER



COOKIE DOUGH / RECIPES IN A JAR

Thank you for continuing to support our biggest fundraiser of the year. All the profits will go directly back to BHS to help enhance your child's BHS experience.

On top of supporting the Home & School, BHS' purchases of Recipes in a Jar were equivalent to **294** meals delivered to the West Island Mission! Congratulations BHS community!



Please mark in your calendars the following **PICKUP DATE**:



WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 28th
(evening of parent/teacher interviews)
between 3:35-8:00pm in the fishbowl



If Recipes in a Jar and cookie dough are just not your thing but you would still like to support the BHS Home & School, you are welcome to make a donation at any time. Just send in a cheque to the main office (the cheque and envelope addressed to BHS Home & School). Thank you for your generosity!



Congratulations to the winners of the Cineplex gift cards!



Evan Stirling (Cookie Dough top seller), Julia Falvo (Recipes in a Jar top seller), and Sean Wolanyk (random draw)



POPCORN FRIDAYS...



Our monthly popcorn sales continue to be a success! Thanks so much to le Superclub Videotron in Kirkland for continuing again this year to pop our popcorn for us. Thanks also to all the Student Life volunteers who help us sell the popcorn, and to all students and staff who continue to buy it! September proceeds went to Student Life which helped pay for Halloween activities and prizes. October proceeds went to the Community Office.

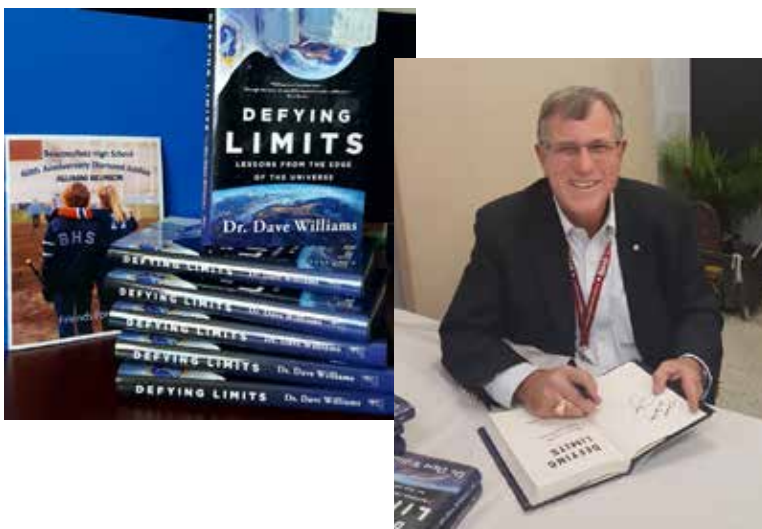


NEXT POPCORN DATE : FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7th



Funds raised from December's date will go towards the musical production of "The Addams Family".

THANK-YOU ALUMNI ASSOCIATION



The Home & School would like to say a big THANK YOU to the BHS Alumni Association. BHS grad, astronaut Dr. Dave Williams (Class of '71) was at BHS' 60th reunion as a guest speaker and was signing copies of his book "Defying Limits: Lessons from the Edge of the Universe". The Alumni Association donated all proceeds, approximately \$800, from the sale of Dr. Dave Williams' book to the Home & School.

BHS Parents Facebook Page



If you would like to connect with other BHS parents and find out more about how parents are involved in the BHS community, you are invited to become a member of the Beaconsfield High School Parents Facebook Group. You do not need to be a Home & School member to join. Go to <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1052776688089761/requests/> or search "Beaconsfield High School Parents" to submit your request. If you are not on Facebook, you can also send an email to the following address bhsparents.info@gmail.com and you will receive the posts by email.

WELCOME BACK BREAKFAST

BHS Home & School was pleased to welcome BHS staff back-to-school with our annual breakfast. While students were soaking in the last days of summer, teachers were preparing for another terrific year and this was a great way to share our BHS pride! Contributions of baked goods, fruit and other breakfast refreshments were provided by BHS families. A big thank you to those who generously donated to the Welcome Back Breakfast. The teachers were so pleased and thanked us profusely!





HOW DO WE SPEND THE MONEY...



In addition to popcorn proceeds going to Student Life, the Community Office, and to the Musical, Home & School has already granted the following teacher/staff wishes: a Magazine Subscription for the Social Studies Department and a Wireless Presenter Remote to the Math and Social Studies Department.




 The BHS Musical is looking for “portrait” picture frames that they will use as props during the musical. Please contact Susan White if you have some to donate.

 BHS Crescendo is looking for a variety of items including:

- Lab coats (preferably plain with no writing) either for loan or for keeps!
- Old white sheets, tablecloths, pillowcases that you no longer need.
- Playing cards (complete or incomplete decks) that you are getting rid of.
- Black and white striped or harlequin patterned fabric (can be old shirts, pants, etc.)
- Old wooden spools (for thread)
- Any colourful patterned scarves that can be parted with

Please drop off items to Ceri Howe in resource B102.

 Ms. Mentore is looking for a TV similar to the one in the main lobby (~24”) to be installed near the Bison Daily News Room. Please contact her if you have one to donate.