



KIMBERLEY-BEACHES NEWS

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PRINCIPAL'S NOTES:

September was a very busy month at Kimberley/BAS. Our walls are starting to show our students' hard work.

It is hard to believe that we are coming to the end of our first month of school. Students quickly got involved in classroom activities, as well as extra-curricular opportunities offered by our staff. Thank you to all who attended our Curriculum Night and class meetings. We value the home-school partnership and we encourage ongoing communication. Please don't hesitate to contact your child / children's teacher or the administration with any questions, concerns or suggestions you might have throughout the school year. It is our belief that the most effective schools are those who have active partnerships with parents in the education of their children. Be involved – volunteer, support your school council and attend school events. We hope to see you often throughout the school year.

Police Check for Parent Volunteers

We value and appreciate the time and dedication that our parent volunteers have to offer. Thank you for your contributions to our learning community!

Volunteers are required by the TDSB to complete a Police Reference Check. Police Reference Check forms are available in the school offices.

You will receive your clearance from the Toronto Police Service. We need to see your original copy in order for you to be added to the TDSB volunteer data base. Please bring it in to Ms. Bengert or Tessa as soon as you receive it.

Once your reference check has been received, your name will be entered into the TDSB Volunteer Data Base. Volunteers only need to complete an annual Offence Declaration in order to keep their police check status current (it is done at the school and there is no cost). Please see Ms. Bengert or Tessa in the office if you have any questions regarding the police check process.

Our website is up and running! You are able to read our monthly newsletter online, or print your own copies. We invite you to visit it at:

Beaches Alternative P.S.:

<http://schools.tdsb.on.ca/beachesalternative>

Kimberley Jr. P.S.:

<http://schools.tdsb.on.ca/kimberley>

It is our hope to have most of our parents elect to read it online instead of receiving the monthly paper-copy. We all know that less paper copies contribute to an environmentally friendly school.

Please note: starting next month paper copies of our monthly newsletter will be sent home only to families who request it. Please return the completed form attached to this newsletter if you wish to continue receiving the paper copies

Hallowe'en Walk Around the Block



Our annual *Walk Around the Block* Hallowe'en event will take place on Thursday, October 31st at 1:00 p.m. It is a great way to show some fall excitement to our community neighbours. It is also a fun tradition at our schools and it is usually followed by individual class parties at Kimberley and a school-wide event for BAS. With the many extra treats available, **please remember to send in only nut-free items with your children.**

There are students with severe and life-threatening allergies to peanuts and nuts:
Please do not use peanut or nut products when sending food into the school.

Student Gardeners

On Friday September 6th room 201 and room 206 went potato picking in our school garden. A few students at a time were able to go to the potato garden and pull up the stems. Sometimes the potatoes came up, and sometimes we had to dig in with our hands to find them. After we picked the potatoes we put them in a bin of water to wash them. Room 206 was also able to pick some tomatoes and edible flowers to eat. The tomatoes were red, yellow, green and orange. We could eat the small red tomatoes. Also, we could eat the big green zebra tomatoes. Some of us found the edible flowers spicy!

We had the best day! Thanks Erin!



Leadership Club

A group of 9 students from the Leadership Club had the opportunity to go to Scotiabank Arena for We Day. We heard many inspirational stories and left feeling empowered. Look forward to hearing about the different We initiatives, both locally and internationally, that the Leadership Club will take on this year. Our first initiative, We Scare Hunger, is coming up at the end of October. More information to follow in the coming weeks.



Character Development Attributes

October: Responsibility

Dates To Remember

P A Day (No School)	Friday, October 11
Thanksgiving (No School)	Monday, October 14
Picture Day - Retakes & Siblings	Friday, November 1
Remembrance Day Assembly	Monday, November 11
P A Day (No School)	Friday, November 15
P A Day (No School)	Friday, December 6
Winter Break (Holiday)	Monday, December 23 - Friday, January 3
P A Day (No School)	Friday, January 17
P A Day (No School)	Friday, February 14
Family Day (No School)	Monday, February 17
March Break (Holiday)	Monday, March 16 – Friday March 20
Good Friday (Holiday)	Friday, April 10
Easter Monday (Holiday)	Monday, April 13
Victoria Day (Holiday)	Monday, May 18
P A Day (No School)	Friday, June 5
Last Day of School	Thursday, June 25



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Student's Name: _____

Teacher: _____