



BUCKINGHAM OCTOBER 2025



Dear Buckingham Families,

October has been a wonderful month of learning, connection, and community at Buckingham!

We began the month with school photos, capturing lots of bright smiles and excitement as we kicked off fall together. Divisions 1 and 2 had the unique opportunity to collaborate with the Burnaby RCMP through a workshop called BRIDGE. Students learned valuable skills in de-escalating conflicts, compassionate communication, and building positive relationships — lessons that strengthen our school community.

Following Thanksgiving, all of our students participated in Body Science workshops with Saleema Noon. These important sessions helped students learn more about their bodies, relationships, and personal boundaries in age-appropriate and supportive ways.

On our October Professional Development Day, Buckingham staff joined colleagues from around the district for a variety of engaging workshops. It was a great opportunity to connect, share ideas, and grow our professional practice. We're excited to bring this new learning back to our classrooms and school community.

We're also thrilled to announce the launch of our new Bear Paws Program! This initiative celebrates students who demonstrate our core values at Buckingham:

B – Be Kind

E – Empathy

A – Acceptance

R – Respect and Responsibility

S – Safety

Teachers and staff will be handing out Bear Paws to students who exemplify these values throughout the school. Each Bear Paw will be entered into a draw for prizes at upcoming assemblies. Any staff member can recognize any student, at any time – because kindness and compassion can happen anywhere!

We ended the month on a festive note with our Buckingham Pumpkin Patch, organized by Ms. Klassen and run by our wonderful student teachers, Ms. Chloe and Ms. Natalie! Students loved picking their pumpkins and enjoying some fall fun right here at school. Thank you to our PAC for providing delicious hot chocolate to keep us all warm! On October 31st, we celebrated everyone's awesome costumes during our Celebration of Learning and Costume Parade. It was a joyful day filled with creativity, laughter, and community spirit – a fantastic way to wrap up the month!



Sports at Buckingham

We wrapped up a a very successful Cross Country season this month! Our runners showed incredible perseverance and team spirit at each meet. A heartfelt thank you to Ms. Wong, Ms. Canderle, Ms. Zhang, and Ms. Lee for their leadership, encouragement, and commitment to helping our students stay active and reach their goals.

Our volleyball season began in mid-October, and our teams have been working hard to develop their skills, teamwork, and sportsmanship. A huge thank you goes out to our dedicated coaches – Ms. Monk, Ms. Mcallister, Ms. Tejpar, and Coach Shaq – for their time and enthusiasm in supporting our student athletes. Volleyball season will continue through mid-November, and we look forward to cheering on our Buckingham Bears!

Coming Up in November

We're looking forward to another busy and exciting month ahead!

November 6 – In-Person PAC Meeting at 6:30 pm

November 10 – Remembrance Day Assembly at 10:45 am

November 11 – Remembrance Day (School not in session)

November 12 & 13 – PAC Family Photo Nights

November 17-20 – School-Wide Hip Hop Event

November 21 – Professional Development Day (No school for students)

November 25 – Young People's Concert (Grades 4-7)

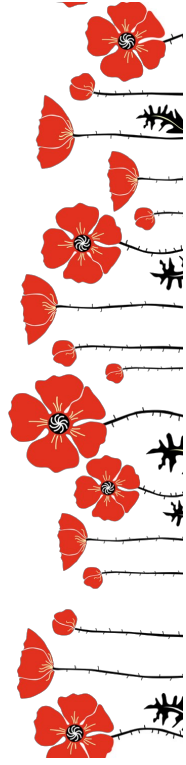
As we head into November, we're excited to continue building on the sense of belonging, kindness, and pride that make Buckingham such a special place to learn and grow.

Warmly,

The Buckingham Staff Team



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		3:30 pm—Boys Volleyball game		3:30 pm—Girls Volleyball game 6:30 pm—PAC Meeting at Buckingham	National Indigenous Veterans Day	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	10:45—Remembrance Day Assembly		3:30—Boys Volleyball game	3:30 pm—Girls Volleyball game		
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
			Hip Hop Week		pro-d day NO CLASSES	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29 / 30
		Voices 41 Choral Night		2 pm—Hip Hop Showcase Assembly		
		1:15—Young Peoples Concert (grade 4-7)				