

BANCROFT BUZZ

October 2025 Newsletter

Dear Bancroft Community,

The first month of school has already come and gone and yet again, it's been an honour getting to know new families in our community and having the chance to see our team in action. From the Welcome Back Potluck to a school-wide Apple Picking trip, there was no shortage of excitement during this first month.

Meanwhile, in class, our teachers and support team are hard at work getting to know their students and making learning fun. We are looking forward to building on this energy as we progress through October, progress reports (Oct 10 on Mozaik) and toward the end of Term 1. Looking ahead, we have our Picture day on October 15, the Walk-a-thon on October 17 and something I am extremely excited for – the Halloween Party on October 24. I heard so much about this one, I can't wait to enjoy it with you all. It's shaping up to be yet another FANTASTIC Fall at Bancroft.


As always, I remain available for any questions, clarifications, or concerns. Wishing you a happy, healthy, and safe October ahead!

Sincerely,

Gaetano Sifoni
Principal / Directeur



UPCOMING EVENTS

October 10 
Pizza Fundraiser begins
Progress Reports Available
On MOZAIK

October 13
HOLIDAY (school closed)


October 15
Picture Day
Nature Trip (Gr. 5)
Governing Board (6:30 pm)

October 16
MIND Open House

October 17
Walk-a-thon
PPO After School Activities
Registration (7pm)

October 24
Halloween Party
after school

October 27
PED DAY* (daycare open)
Registration will be ONLINE again

October 31 
Dress up day (Halloween)





September Highlights



In a short period of time, we have already seen a lot of action at Bancroft. We started the year with a **school assembly** where took the morning to talk about what it means to be a part of this amazing school community and the expectations we have for each other.

The first week capped off with a very fun-filled **Corn Roast** thanks to our incredible PPO. Then the following week, we opened our doors and invited the community in for our annual **Meet the Teacher Evening**, and a **Welcome Back Potluck**.

Later in the month, the entire school participated in the annual **Apple Picking** trip and our sixth graders were visited by students from JFK and Westmount High as they begin their search for **High Schools** next year.

Throughout all of this, we also had our first **Frozen Treat Wednesdays**, began preparations for multiple **Fire Drills**, and students started enjoying **different lunch clubs** run by our wonderful staff. There is never a dull moment and we are just getting started!

You can always see highlights of these special events and other amazing classroom activities on our [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) (links also at the bottom of each page).

September at Bancroft



Indoor Shoes, Change of Clothes, Lost & Found

As the Autumn weather completely erases our memory of the heat wave we just lived not very long ago ago, please be reminded that unless it is pouring out, all students go outside 3 times a day for recess (sometimes more depending on the class activity) so everyone should be dressed accordingly, please, especially as the weather begins to get cooler.



All parents are encouraged to make sure their child(ren)'s clothing is labeled. The school lost in found is already getting pretty full and it's only been a month! We all know how much worse it will be when we introduce hats and gloves into the mix



BASE Buzz (Daycare News)

Our PED day On September 27 was an amazing success! This is a friendly reminder that from now on, all registrations for Base Daycare PED Day activities will be done ONLINE so stay tuned for those emails.

As a reminder, Daycare Services are available for Bancroft students during PED days (with registration). Priority is given to students who regularly use daycare services. Spaces are limited.



Upcoming PED Days

Monday, October 27

Friday, November 7 (DAYCARE CLOSED)

Thursday, November 20

Friday, November 21



For more information pertaining to our BASE Daycare, please contact Ms Vanessa Giancioppi at 514-788-0020 or visit our website: <https://bancroft.emsb.qc.ca/base-daycare-program/>

2025-2026 Governing Board

Congratulations to **Yasmine Jouhari, Alexis Heppner, and Sean Wallace** who were elected to Bancroft's Governing Board at our AGM. They will join **Veronica Reis, Jonathan Culm, and Megan Jeannotte** on the board.

At the same time, I want to extend a heartfelt **THANK YOU** to **Yanick Riopel**, who served as our EMSB Parents Committee representative and Governing Board Chair last year, as well as **Evita Ntinopoulou** and **Olivia Lecoufle** for the time you spent serving our community on the Governing Board.

Our first meeting will be on **Wednesday, October 15th**, in person. As a reminder, these meetings are public and any decisions taken by the GB will be recorded in the minutes. These minutes are published [on our website](#) once approved. The Agenda for each meeting will be available on our website at least 48 hours prior to each meeting.

[YOU CAN KEEP TRACK OF ALL INFORMATION PERTAINING TO GB HERE](#)

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Parent Participation Committee (PPO)

Walkathon

This year's PPO Walkathon will take place on October 17th. All money raised will be split between school improvement initiatives and donations to Sun Youth & Terry Fox foundation. We ask that families ask friends and family to support our school. Younger grades will be taking a walk around our neighborhood and older children will be walking up Mont Royal. We thank you in advance for your participation. Please look out for the flyer and pledge sheet coming home soon.

After School Activities

PPO's After School Activities Program will be starting up again in November. Stay tuned to find out which classes will be available and look out for our flyer coming out later this month. The information will be sent out by our principal and registration will take place on October 17th as of 7pm. Registration is on a first come first served basis. Students are limited to one class on the first day of registration in order to allow access to as many kids as possible. As of October 18th at 7pm, you may register for any additional classes that you are interested in. For more information, you can contact Bancroft's PPO at bancroftppoemail@gmail.com

Pizza

The pizza fundraiser starts this month on October 10th. Please note that slices must be purchased in advance. Same day requests will not be accepted. To register for pizza please follow the link below and send in your payment via your child's agenda in cash or by cheque made out to Bancroft School.

<https://forms.gle/MEMR4KAoUCHiZ4p6A>

Sorbet

The grade 6 Frozen Treat Wednesday Fundraiser will continue again this month.

The cost is \$2 and it should be sent in only on Wednesday. The flavors are Orange Sorbet, Vanilla, and Double Chocolate ice cream. We ask that students bring reusable spoons to reduce waste. All profits will be going to support the grade 6 graduation. Thank you kindly for your participation.

Halloween Party!

Please save the date, our annual Halloween party will be held on October 24th from 6:00 to 8:00pm. Bancroft's PPO along with the school will be planning a night of fun for our community. Stay tuned for more info and start preparing your costumes!! If you would like to volunteer, please contact us at bancroftppoemail@gmail.com

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