



BLUMENORT SCHOOL

BENGALS UPDATE 11 - NOVEMBER 7, 2025

No Classes - Monday, November 10th & Tuesday, November 11th

A reminder that there will be no classes on Monday, November 10th, as it is an Admin. Day. This is where our teachers prepare report cards. There are no classes also on Tuesday, November 11th, as it is Remembrance Day.

Term 1 Report Cards & Parent-Teacher Conferences

In a few short weeks, our students will have completed the first term of the school year and that will be followed by our Parent-Teacher Conferences. Letters are included in this email outlining the options outlining the options for making an appointment to see your child's teacher. Please keep the following dates in mind...

- **Monday, November 17th @ 3:45pm – Report Cards available to view on the Parent Portal****
- **Thursday, November 20th – K-8 Parent-Teacher Conferences**

**Please be reminded that paper copies of Report Cards will not be sent home. To view report cards on-line you will need to log onto the parent portal. On the left hand menu click on Report Card. Then select "Switch to Electronic Report Card".

The Umbrella Project by Dr. Jen

Be Honest With Your Children - It can be hard for our children to come in second place, lose a big game or fail to meet their own expectations on a test. However, protecting your child from disappointments by being dishonest, while making them feel better in the short term, doesn't help them learn how to be honest with themselves and benefit from the feedback. Tell your child the truth gently. Give them honest, constructive feedback about their performance and avoid externalizing the loss or sugar coating. Help them think about what tools will help them succeed where they are struggling.

Keep these principles in mind when talking to your child about failures:

- Be empathetic but tell them the truth
- Don't externalize the loss
- Don't let them rely on ability alone, hard work is needed for mastery
- Help them recognize what they can and cannot control ie. Their attitude vs the refs decision
- Focus on improving something and areas of potential growth
- Don't judge, we are all learning

Blumenort School Fall Fundraiser - Bengals Discount Card

A reminder once again of our current Bengals Discount Card fundraiser that is on now and continues until November 14th.

Here is how it works:

- Bengals Discount Cards are \$20 each.
- Our families will use the attached Pre-Sale Sheet to collect their orders.
- Please make sure the seller's name is on the top.
- Input the information required and collect payment to finalize your order.
- Once complete, please come to our office and submit your order form and cash.
- When the discount cards arrive, the office will give them to the seller
- Sellers will then deliver the Discount Card(s) to the people who purchased them.

This year, the money we raise will continue to go towards our new and improved Maker Space and Phys.Ed/Music Departments. We will also subsidize field trips and learning opportunities that are above and beyond the regular classroom routine. Thank you once again for supporting the fundraising that we do at Blumenort School. Your involvement makes such a difference in what happens at our school!

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Stocking Drive

The 3rd Annual Stocking Drive in honour of Nash is on now. A collection bin is located in the Main Office at our school for parents or teachers to donate items towards this drive. Below is a little more information. Thank you for your support!

In Honour of Nash

3rd Annual Stocking Drive



This stocking drive was created in 2022 in honour of our son Nash who we lost at just 16 years old on September 5 2022 Nash was a very kind hearted generous kid who loved the holidays so this stocking drive was created to honour his memory and a way for him to live on through creating some kindness.

Things we collect for the drive but not limited to anything that will fit in stockings for baby's to teen

Play dough
Tooth brushes
Tooth paste
Candy
Kindereggs
Mittens baby kids and youth
Socks baby kids and youth
Individual Bags of popcorn
Hot wheels
Individual hot chocolate
Small toys such as
Dolls
Action figures
Mini teddies

Deodorant boy and girl
Hot rods/meat sticks
Full sized chocolate bars
Stickers
Nail polish
Individual box bar soap
Bubblebath
Candy canes
Markers
Small books
Smaller sized toys that will fit in stockings for boys and girls

You may also donate via a etransfer to Amber.ba.live.ca Memo NASH



Blumenort School Notes from the Music Room

The sounds of the season are upon us! Our Grade 4-8 students have been hard at work on their Christmas program for a few weeks already, and the Grade 1-3s are not far behind! Please be sure to mark your calendars and make arrangements to have your student at the following programs:

Thursday, December 4th - 1:30pm and 6:30pm

Grade 4-6 Music classes, Grade 7 and 8 Bands, and Grade 5-8 Noon Choir present "Holiday Windows"

Thursday, December 18th - 1:30pm and 6:30pm

Grade 1-3 Music classes present "Holiday Road Trip"

Our Grade 5-8 Noon Choir has been invited to perform at a variety of community events over the coming weeks - we hope you can join us at one of our performances!

- **Friday, November 14th** - O Canada at the Pistons Game
- **Tuesday, November 27th** - Pat Porter Centre - Pancake Breakfast
- **Wednesday, December 10th** - "Christmas Choir Tour"
 - SCU, SE Events Centre, SEMC Church & Mennonite Heritage Village Museum - Volunteer Appreciation

Choir parents who wish to volunteer as chaperones for any of these excursions should contact Mrs. Sawatzky asap.

Bundle Up & Share the Warmth!

It's that time of year again - Let's help our friends stay cozy and comfy and fill those bins and spread some warmth this season!

School Closet:

- We're collecting **gently used shoes** that are still in great shape. Big feet, little feet — all sizes welcome!

Koats for Kids:

- They need **gently used coats, ski pants, boots, mittens, and hats** to help kids stay warm this winter.
- You'll find **drop-off bins labeled "Koats for Kids"** at the **front of the school** — easy to spot and easy to use!
- Donations will be **delivered to Koats for Kids at the end of each week.**

Blumenort School Student Leadership & Steinbach Community Christmas

Our Blumenort School Student Leadership Team is teaming up with the Steinbach Community Christmas Committee to coordinate the collection of items for Christmas hampers that will be delivered to those in our area that are in need. Last year, with the help of many area businesses, schools, churches and individuals, the Steinbach Community Christmas Committee was able to distribute approximately 1456 hampers!

From now until November 21st, our goal is to collect 450 non-perishable food items (cake mix, canned fruit, canned vegetables, pancake mix, cereal, canned corn, canned meat, formula & baby wipes) and new, unwrapped toys for ages newborn to 17 (no guns please). If we meet our goal, our Student Leaders have volunteered to be doused with ice water!

On behalf of everyone involved, thank you in advance for your contribution on this very worthwhile project!



**STEINBACH
COMMUNITY
CHRISTMAS**