



# Birchland Elementary School

## E-News

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### Around Birchland – [fpearse@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:fpearse@sd43.bc.ca)

I sincerely hope that everyone had a wonderful Spring Break. It felt a little funny coming into work this morning, but was great to see all the kids streaming back into the school – many of them even looked excited to be back! Today we have a brief E-news just to get a few notes out to the community.

If you have been around the school over spring break you will have noticed that district crews have been working on the drainage for our field areas and started moving some dirt in preparation for the construction of our forest play area. We have asked students to stay out of this area during recess and lunch time until work has been completed, and would recommend that you don't allow your children to play in this area after school or on the weekends. Many of the piles of dirt contain broken pieces of pipe and other debris that could be dangerous if a child fell on them.

Our second term report cards will be sent home with students this Thursday. Please check the backpacks for them!

### Be There For School – Breakfast Television \$1,000 Grant

On the Friday afternoon before Spring Break I received a phone call to tell me that our school had won a \$1,000 grant from Breakfast Television that we had applied for (Thanks to Brittany Leavold, our PAC chair, for recommending the grant to us). Tomorrow, Wednesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, Breakfast Television will be on site to film a 2 min piece about Birchland that will include the check presentation.

The money will be used to buy a new playground cart and playground equipment for our students to use at recess and lunch time.

### Two Weeks at a Glance ([Click for the full Birchland Calendar](#))

April						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

- Apr 2 – school reopens
- Apr 2 – Lunch Lady (optional)
- Apr 2 – May Pole Dance Practice
- Apr 4 – Report cards go home
- Apr 4 – Aboriginal Cultural Program
- Apr 9 – Field Trip; Gr 3, 4 & 5
- Apr 9 – Lunch Lady (optional)
- Apr 9 – May Pole Dance Practice
- Apr 11 – Gr 5 swimming
- Apr 11 – Aboriginal Cultural Program
- Apr 11 – BPAC Meeting @ 7 pm in the library

### “The Bullying Games” field trip

A reminder that all of our Grade 3, 4 and 5 students will be walking to Terry Fox Secondary on Tuesday April 9<sup>th</sup> to view the “Bullying Games” play. We will be leaving the school at 8:55 AM sharp, please ensure you children are on time.

### All About Me

Just a reminder that the spring session of All About Me **begins next Monday (April 8<sup>th</sup>)**. E-mails were sent out before the break, if you didn't receive yours please contact the office. Confirmations / payment invoices will be sent this week.