

## Bridge Week-at-a-Glance Oct 6-10

### WELCOME



6-Bridge Halloween Dance Party Flyer Contest begins



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9 - Hot Lunch - McDonalds



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### National Day of Truth and Reconciliation

On September 29 we wore an orange shirt on this day to honour the children who never returned home and survivors of residential schools, as well as their families and communities. Public commemoration of the tragic and painful history and ongoing impacts of residential schools is a vital component of the reconciliation process.

To honour Truth and Reconciliation Day we had an assembly to learn about Orange Shirt Day and Truth and Reconciliation. After the assembly we did our first Family Teams activity of the year. Soon you will see the pennants that we made around the school.



### Rain or Shine

Be prepared for the weather We are reminding families to send their children to school with appropriate clothing for the weather. We go out rain or shine! We recommend students come to school with an extra labeled set of clothing. Additionally, students should all have a refillable water bottle as well.



### <u>Dates of Significance</u>

As part of our ongoing commitment to recognizing the diverse faiths, cultures, and histories that shape our school district, we offer these greetings to acknowledge important observances during the month of October.

October 1, 2025 – Kol Nidrei (Jewish) At sundown, the Jewish community will begin observance of Kol Nidrei, the solemn opening service of Yom Kippur. We extend our thoughts to those preparing for this sacred time of prayer, reflection, and personal renewal.

Translation note: Kol Nidrei (Hebrew: כָּל נִדְרֵּי ) means "All Vows." It refers to a traditional prayer recited at the start of Yom Kippur. Pronounced: KOHL NEE-dray

#### October 2, 2025 – Yom Kippur (Jewish)

To our Jewish students, staff, and families, we wish you a meaningful Yom Kippur, the holiest day in the Jewish calendar. May this Day of Atonement bring peace, reflection, and renewal as you fast, pray, and gather with your communities.

Translation note: Yom Kippur (Hebrew: יוֹם כַּפּוּר) means "Day of Atonement."

Pronounced: YOHM kee-POOR

#### October 3, 2025 – Dussehra (Hindu)

We extend our warmest greetings to members of the Hindu community observing Dussehra. This festival marks the victory of good over evil and is often celebrated with prayer, cultural events, and family gatherings. May this day bring joy, prosperity, and light.

Translation note: Dussehra (also known as Vijayadashami) celebrates Lord Rama's victory over Ravana. Pronounced: Duh-SHEH-rah or Doo-SHEH-rah, depending on region.

#### October 20, 2025 – Diwali (Hindu, Sikh, Jain)

Happy Diwali to all who are celebrating the Festival of Lights! To our Hindu, Sikh, Jain, and interfaith families, may this joyous occasion bring brightness, peace, and renewal into your homes and hearts.

Translation note: Diwali (Sanskrit: दीपावली – Deepavali) means "row of lights." It is celebrated across many faiths with the lighting of lamps, sweets, prayers, and family gatherings. Pronounced: Dee-VAH-lee

### **Drive Through and Drop Off Zone**

The drive thru and drop off zone can be a dangerous area in the morning and after school. We can keep all Bridge students safe by following a traffic pattern.

The drive thru lane (indicated with the blue line) is for getting back onto the road or for advancing to a drop off spot. Please do not let your children exit your vehicle if you are in the drive thru lane. When using a drop off spot, drive towards the end of the drive thru lane and use the drop off spot that is the furthest along (indicated by the red arrow). If that spot is filled use the closest drop off spot to the exit that is currently available. Drop off spots are not parking spots. Do not leave your vehicle.

Remember, safety is more important than a student being in class a minute or two sooner. Thank you for cooperation in making the Bridge community safer.





### Updates from the PAC

### Bridge Halloween Dance Party Flyer Contest

#### Instructions:

Halloween Dance Party Flyer contest will run from Oct 6th to 23rd Flyers must include the required information 3 Winners will be drawn for a prize Winners will be announced in the Oct 24 WAAG Students can use the attached template or create their own.

Flyers must have the following information (in English or French):

Title: Bridge Halloween Dance Party

Date: October 30, 2025

Time: 6-8pm

Cost: \$5 per person or \$20 per family

Food: Available to purchase on Munchalunch

Music by DJ Mike

Costume Contests for prizes!

#### • Upcoming meeting dates:

- o Oct 21
- Nov 18
- o Jan 20
- o Feb 17
- o April 21
- May 19

### Le Club Francais

Helping children in Early French Immersion





Mondays, Oct 20 to Nov 24, 2025

Time: 4:00pm—4:45pm

Location: Kids' Place Program Room,

**Brighouse Library** 

**Registration Required** 

This is a recreational reading program intended to stimulate your child's love of reading and practice their French reading and pronunciation. <u>Designed for children in **Early French Immersion** in Grades 1-3. Children are matched with a high school mentor for weekly reading sessions.</u>

Child must attend all 6 sessions.

Please fill out a Registration Form at the Kids' Place Desk at Brighouse Library.

yourlibrary.ca/events





### Oct

- 13 Thanksgiving School Closed
- 16 Earthquake Drill
- **20-22** Book Fair
- 22 Early Dismissal @1:45pm
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- 24 Pro D Day School Closed
- 30 Halloween Howl 6-8pm

# IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

### Nov

- 4 Photo Retake Day
- 10 Remembrance Day Assembly
- 11 Remembrance Day School Closed

### Dec

- 1 Pro D Day School Closed
- 4 Immunizations Grades 6&7
- **18** Learning Update Published in My ED
- 19 Last Day before Winter Break
- **20-Jan 3** School Closed for Winter Break

