



# Bridgeport P.S. School Council

## Welcome to the 2025–26 School Year from the Bridgeport School Council!

School Council would like to welcome all new and returning staff, teachers, students, and council members. We're also happy to welcome **Tania Bumstead** as our new principal this year. We look forward to getting to know her and working together as she joins our amazing school community. It's shaping up to be another great year of connection and collaboration in our school community.

School Council's mission is simple: to help strengthen our school community. We work to support communication between families and the school, offer parent and guardian perspectives, and look for ways to enhance the learning environment for all students at Bridgeport PS.

School Council is a great way for parents and guardians to stay involved and connect with others in the community. Everyone is welcome at any time—whether you'd like to join a meeting, volunteer, or simply stay informed. We meet on the **second Tuesday of each month (except March)** in the school library or online from **7:00–8:30 p.m.**

If you're interested in joining the council or have feedback to share, please email us at [Bridgeport.school.council@gmail.com](mailto:Bridgeport.school.council@gmail.com). We're always happy to hear from you.

**Upcoming Council Meeting Dates:**  
**Dec 9, Jan 13, Feb 10, Apr 14, May 12, June 9**

## WHAT'S IN THIS ISSUE:

- Welcome from Chair Tony Beckberger
- School Updates
- Upcoming Events
- Fundraising Update



## Welcome to our 2025–2026 Council Members

Tony Beckberger (Chair)  
Jessica McQuistin (Secretary)  
Chau Truong Wood (Co-fundraising)  
Meghan Wentworth (Co-fundraising)  
Lindsay Koka (Communications)  
Hannah Agler (Staff Rep)  
Tania Bumstead (Principal)  
Samir Dhanvantari  
Jessika Szponarski  
Sergey Bobkin  
Rachel Lewandowski  
Emily Grummet  
Sarah Chauvet  
Heather Honch  
Sierra Pham  
Rania Gadalla  
Warren Gray

Agendas and past minutes can be found at: [brp.wrdsb.ca/school-council/](http://brp.wrdsb.ca/school-council/)

If you need a meeting link or have any questions please email us at:  
[bridgeport.school.council@gmail.com](mailto:bridgeport.school.council@gmail.com)



## SCHOOL UPDATES



### Kodaly Choir

Our Kodaly Choir performed "Hands United in Peace" at our Remembrance Day assembly in November. Kodaly Choir is open to all junior students (grades 4, 5 and 6) and rehearsals are held during first nutrition break on Days 2 and 4. If you have questions, please contact Alexandra Snyder at [alexandra\\_snyder@wrdsb.ca](mailto:alexandra_snyder@wrdsb.ca) or through the school office.



### Days of Giving • December 2-4

Thank you for helping us support local charities during our Days of Giving from **December 2-4**.

## STAY CONNECTED

To receive regular updates on school happenings, please be sure you are signed up for **School-Day**.

Questions, suggestions or feedback to share with the school? Reach out to us at [bridgeport.school.council@gmail.com](mailto:bridgeport.school.council@gmail.com)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### *Poinsettia Pick-up*

Poinsettia orders will be available for pick-up in the school gym on **December 10 from 3-6 p.m.**



### Dance-a-thon • February 5

The Dance-a-thon is happening on **February 5**. Students can look forward to a gym transformed into a fun party atmosphere with lights, music, live DJs and plenty of disco ball energy!



### Family Movie Night • April 23

Family Movie Night will be happening on **April 23 at 6:30 p.m.** (doors open at 6 p.m.). Stay tuned for more details in the new year.



*"Bridgeport School Council's mission is to advocate for our students, families and educators to support our children's holistic learning and development. We value connecting the school and community, building collaborative relationships, providing resources and sharing information."*



# FALL NEWSLETTER

November 2025

## FUNDRAISING UPDATES

### BRANTVIEW FUNDRAISER

We partnered again with Brantview Farms for our fall fundraiser. In total, \$507.15 was raised. Proceeds from this fundraiser will go toward *Scientists in School* workshops for every class.



**\$507.15**



Our fundraising efforts will support the **Scientists in School** program, which will bring hands-on science, engineering and technology workshops to every class at BPS this year.

Learn more at:  
[scientistsinschool.ca](https://scientistsinschool.ca)



## FULL-YEAR FUNDRAISERS

mabel's labels.

Mabel's Labels offers personalized labels for kids' clothing and gear, and you can support Bridgeport P.S. with any order throughout the year.

- Go to [mabelslabels.com](https://mabelslabels.com)
- Click on 'Support a Fundraiser' button
- Choose 'Bridgeport PS (Kitchener)' on school drop-down list
- Place your order

FundScrip

You can order physical gift cards through FundScrip and have them mailed to your home within 2 to 7 business days. Retailers include Tim Horton's, Starbucks, Sport Chek, Toys R Us and many more. These make great gifts for holidays, teachers or birthdays. A percentage of every purchase goes directly to our school.

To order: visit [fundscrip.com](https://fundscrip.com), select 'Support a Group' and enter code **MJLLJG**.

FlipGive

Shop as you normally would with retailers like Home Depot, Walmart, Indigo, Old Navy, Apple, Esso and Loblaws, and the school earns cash back. Everything is virtual and easy to use.

Join with the link below and get a \$5 bonus on your first purchase:

[https://shop.flipgive.com/onboarding/join?](https://shop.flipgive.com/onboarding/join?joincode=5NST64)  
[joincode=5NST64](https://shop.flipgive.com/onboarding/join?joincode=5NST64)

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