



Bridgeport P.S. School Council

Welcome to the Final Months of the 2025–26 School Year!

As we head into the final months of the school year, School Council is proud of the strong collaboration we've built within our school community. We've been working closely with our principal, Tania Bumstead, and are excited about the positive progress we're making together. It's been wonderful to see our school continue to grow, and we look forward to finishing the year on a strong and supportive note.

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. We're always happy to hear from you.

Upcoming Council Meeting Dates:
May 12, June 9

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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

Learn more about School Council at:
brp.wrdsb.ca/school-council/

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



SCHOOL UPDATES



Kodaly Choir

Our Kodaly Choir performed a concert at The Centre in the Square on the evening of Wednesday, May 6. They also performed "J'Imagine (I Believe)" at our assembly on February 27. Kodaly Choir is open to all junior students (grades 4, 5 & 6) and rehearsals are held during first nutrition break on Days 2 and 4. A big thank you to Mrs. Snyder and Mlle. Agler for all the effort they dedicate to Kodaly Choir.



Talent Show – June 19

The Bridgeport School Talent Show will return on June 19, with a dress rehearsal planned for June 18. Students auditioned during the first week of May. Thank you to all the time and energy Mrs. Duncan, Ms. Landry, and Mrs. Arsenault dedicate to organizing and running this event!

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

UPCOMING EVENTS



Jump Rope for Heart • May 15

Bridgeport's Jump Rope for Heart fundraiser is happening on May 15. All students will have a chance to participate in fun outdoor activities. Thank you to Mrs. Fatemizadeh and Mrs. Gregg who help organize this event.



Track & Field • May 27

Junior students will participate in the School Track & Field meet on May 27, with the regional track and field day following on June 10. Thank you to Mrs. Gregg and the staff who help organize and run this event.



Family Picnic • June 12

The annual Bridgeport Summer Picnic will be **Friday June 12, from 11:30am- 1pm**. Students can enjoy lunch outside, visit activity stations, and play games with their family and friends. **Volunteers needed!** If you are interested in helping to run an activity or setup/clean up, email:

[**bridgeport.school.council@gmail.com**](mailto:bridgeport.school.council@gmail.com)



"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."



FUNDRAISING UPDATES

POINSETTIA FUNDRAISER

Our annual poinsettia fundraiser was a success, raising \$413.81.

↑ **\$413.81**



DANCE-A-THON FUNDRAISER

Our Dance-a-thon is always a student favourite and such a fun, high-energy event. The school came alive with music, lights, and dancing as students enjoyed a memorable day together. Special thanks to DJ Punctuation and DJ Tone-Def! In total, \$3,965.45 was raised.

↑ **\$3,965.45**



MOVIE NIGHT

Our movie night fundraiser brought families together for a fun evening watching Zootopia 2. With snacks and great company, it was a wonderful way to build community while raising \$205.00 to support our school.

↑ **205.00**



! THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!
Our fundraising efforts have supported these initiatives:

The **Scientists in School** program has been bringing hands-on science, engineering and technology workshops to every class at BPS this year.

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



Zuma rocker chairs have been added to a number of classrooms to support student focus and comfort. The gentle movement helps students stay engaged, self-regulate, and channel energy in a positive way during learning.



A **stretchy band** has been introduced as a sensory addition for students to support their learning and physical activity during music class.



Fundraising has helped cover **bus fees for field trips**, ensuring all students can participate.





FULL-YEAR FUNDRAISERS

NEW!



FACTORY SHOE



It's March — the perfect time to get your garden ready for a beautiful spring!

With our code **BRIDGEPORT26** for your BigYellowBag soil or mulch order, you can save \$30 per bag right now! That's \$5 off with our fundraising code on top of BigYellowBag's \$25 spring discount (ending March 31!) — the biggest savings of the season! Friends, family, and neighbours can use the code too!

Order at: BigYellowBag.com
Enter code: **BRIDGEPORT26**

Support our school when you buy shoes!

When you shop at Factory Shoe, \$5 from every purchase over \$35 will be donated back to our school. It's a simple way to support our students and programs.

Fundraiser cards were sent home before March Break. Share our code with family & friends to make an even bigger impact!

Shop in-store or online at factoryshoe.ca
Use our fundraising code **0350256** at checkout or show the card at the register.

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
- Click on 'Support a Fundraiser' button
- Choose 'Bridgeport PS (Kitchener)' on school drop-down list
- Place your order

FündScrip

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, 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?joincode=5NST64>

Or enter code: **5NST64**