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## *Guests and Visitors*

The Bertha Shaw P.S. Staff would like to remind parents/visitors and guests that it is important to report to the office when visiting the school. Should you need to pick up your child/children early, Mme Rondeau will be able to page the classroom and ask the teacher to send the child to the office. Volunteers or visitors that are here to support school activities are asked to sign in and to take a visitors pass/lanyard. Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

## *The Regional Track and Field Meet.*

On Friday, October 9, approximately 400 students from local D.S.B.O.N.E. schools participated in the Regional Track and Field Meet. This event is usually held at Porcupine Ski Runners but was held at Northern College this year. Our students had a great day and represented our school very well.



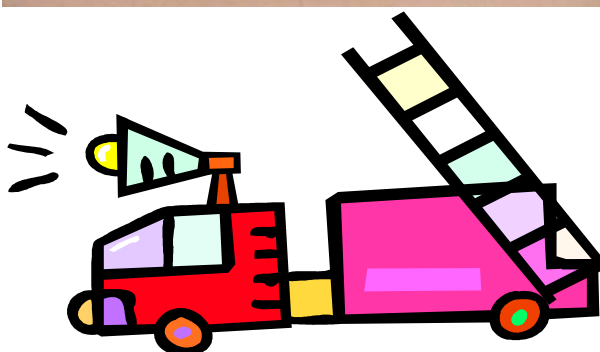
## *Apple Fun!*

Kindergarten students enjoyed and shared the fruits of their labour with family and friends after working hard to make apple sauce. This was done in part to celebrate Thanksgiving and the Harvest.



## Fire Safety Week, October 5-9

Our local Fire Fighters from both the Timmins and South Porcupine Fire Departments took some time to visit our school again this year as part of Fire Safety Week. Students were treated to a fantastic presentation and were also able to go inside the fire trucks for a closer look. They were also able to visit the Fire safety House (trailer) and the Smoke Filled Room (the Grade 4 Portable). On behalf of all of the staff and students at Bertha Shaw P.S., I would like to take this opportunity to thank the fire fighters for visiting our school and for allowing us to see their trucks and the equipment they use to help save lives.



## *Your 2009-2010 Advisory School Council*

Ten parents submitted their names to fill the available Advisory School Council positions. The following parents will meet a total of 4 times this year. Your School Council consists of the following members:



Donna Mitchell-Molyneux : Chair

Jessica Germain : Co-Chair

Carrie Sullivan: Secretary

Josh Pigeau

Trina Starcevic

Mary Lindsay

Maria Barbuto-Kingsbury

Kim Krcel

Ken Leavoy

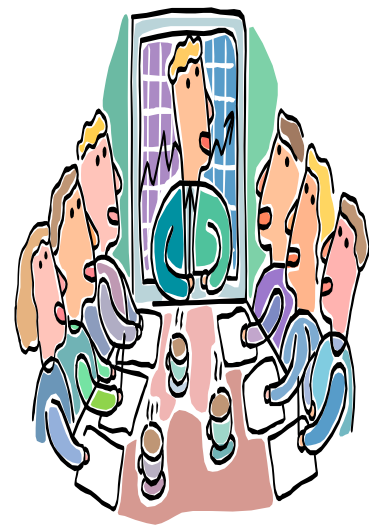
Michele Calloway

Laurie Boychuk : Teacher Representative

Julie Rondeau: Non-Teaching Staff Representative

Tom Vlaad : Community Representative

Doug Turcotte: Principal



**Future meeting dates, agendas and minutes will be posted on our school website.**

## *Fundraising Efforts: 2009-2010*

Since my arrival here in August, it quickly became apparent that we have some very committed and dedicated individuals that are actively seeking means of raising funds for the first phase of the playground equipment construction. **The Powell Avenue Community Playground Incorporated** is continually working towards this goal.

These parents are putting in much time and effort to ensure that we can see our plans come to fruition. To this end, I am meeting with these parents and school board officials to ensure that our playground plans become reality as soon as possible. I will be meeting with these individuals in order to establish timelines and to secure contractors in an effort to hopefully begin construction during the 2009-2010 school year. Most of our 2009-2010 school fundraising initiatives will focus on the playground fundraising efforts. For instance, the teachers recently contributed over \$670.00 to the playground fund in order to be able to "dress down" each week; Advisory School Council members are selling Glow Products during Halloween and the Santa Claus Parade to raise funds for the playground. We would like to thank you for your continued support in trying to provide our students with this much needed equipment.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at the school at 235-9310.

**Yours In Education,**

**D. Turcotte**

**Principal**