For the Week of October 16th through October 22nd, 2016.

Do you have a national or religious holiday we can acknowledge in the newsletter? Let Mr. Vega know!

**Election Day Bake Sale**
The Bates School Parent Council (SPC) will be holding a Bake Sale during the elections on November 8th. This has the potential to be a big money maker for the school! We really need your time and donations to make it happen! The money raised will go towards school activities for your child throughout the year, such as:

- Field Trips
- Enrichment programs
- Field Day

We are looking for parents who can help with set-up, sales, and clean-up on November 8th. Sign up [at this page](#). Baked goods are also in high demand. If you can bake (or purchase) something for us to sell at the bake sale, please make sure baked goods are…

- Individually wrapped (for easy resale).
- Labeled (only one label necessary) with the type of baked good and whether it contains nuts.
- Delivered to the school in the morning by a parent or child.

**Playground Locked During School Hours**
To maximize the safety of our campus, we will begin locking all gates to the playground between the hours of 10am and 3pm. If you need to enter the building between 10am and 3pm, please use the front entrance.

**Picture Day**
Picture day is this Thursday, October 20th. Contact the office if you did not receive an order form. Students can wear whatever they like for the day (no uniforms), so feel free to dress up for photos!

**Classroom Directory**
We are finalizing our classroom directories to share with families. If you would like to add your e-mail to share with other families and the classroom parent, please submit an online survey [here](#).
We are still looking for classroom parents for Ms. Reardon (107), Mrs. Solomon (202), Mrs. Arnold (203), Mrs. Milton (205), and Ms. Withrow (207). E-mail batesclassroomparents@gmail.com if you are interested.

**Coffee with the Principal**
This month’s event is cancelled as Mr. Vega will be traveling due to a family emergency.

**DonorsChoose Projects**
We currently have two teams with open DonorsChoose Projects: The 2nd grade team is fundraising for technology. You can donate [here](#). The K2 team is fundraising for a new kitchen set. You can donate [here](#). Please donor or share these pages with our networks to support Bates students!

**Upcoming Dates**

October 20 – Picture Day (Uniform optional)
October 31 – Crazy Hat Day (still a UNIFORM day)
Our new website is [https://thephineasbates.org/](https://thephineasbates.org/).
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