Bessborough Elementary and Middle School School Newsletter

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Upcoming Events

- Family Day Holiday -Feb. 19
- Gr. 6 Trip to Sheldon -Feb. 20-23
- 🔶 Pizza Lunch Feb. 22
- Pizza Lunch (Gr. 6) -Feb. 26
- Home & School Meeting
 / Student Inquiry
 Showcase Feb. 27 6:30 p.m.
- Sub Lunch March 5
- March Break March 12-16

Student Inquiry Showcase Tues. Feb. 27 - 6:30 p.m. -With Home & School Meeting



Want to find out more about what our students are learning about and doing in their classrooms? Then please come to the Home & School meeting on Tuesday February 27th. Students and teachers will be presenting some of the inquiry projects they have been working on immediately following the meeting.

Monday February 19th Family Day Holiday



Please remember that the school is closed on Monday. We wish all of you a safe and happy Family Day holiday and look forward to welcoming students back on Tuesday February 20th!

Lunchroom Supervisors Needed!

If you are occasionally free during our lunch hour (11:40 a.m. -12:55 p.m.), we are in need of additional lunchroom supervisors to fill in when our regular supervisors are absent. This is a paid position. If interested in learning more, please contact Etienne Mercieca at Etienne.Mercieca@tdsb.on.ca or call the school.

Student Athletic Council Update

Hi Bessborough,

Pals and Intramurals are doing great!

Track and Field Day



We have a set Track and Field day for both 7-8 and the Juniors. The Juniors day will be held on Thursday, April 19, and the 7-8 day will be the day following (Friday, April 20).

Have a great weekend,

Bessborough Athletic Council.

Pink Shirt Day - Wed. Feb. 28th

Dear Bessborough Community,

February 28 is Pink Shirt Day! This day raises awareness for anti-bullying. Pink Shirt Day was started by David Shepard, Travis Price and friends in a small town in Nova Scotia. They encouraged their high school peers to wear pink t-shirts in support of a grade 9 student who was bullied at school... for wearing a pink shirt.

To show our support for anti-bullying and expression of individuality, everyone is encouraged to wear as much pink as possible on this day.

Thank you,

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A Message from the Terry Fox Foundation

The 2017 Terry Fox School Run was a great success!

We are happy to share our final results. Bessborough Drive Elementary and Middle School has generously donated \$8,665.05 for cancer research in Terry's name.

The Terry Fox Foundation would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to your wonderful school community for carrying on Terry's legacy. With open hearts and big dreams, your school sets a shining example of what can be accomplished with a focused goal and incredible school spirit. Thank you for your generosity and commitment to keep Terry's dream alive!

Join Folkfest

Folkfest is back at Bessborough starting Tuesday Feb. 27.

Folkfest is a club for students in Grades 3 – 6. Each week, students will learn a new folk dance.

On May 15 (rain date May 17), there is a Folkfest event at East York Collegiate for Folkfest clubs all over the TDSB. Hundreds of students come to the event and perform the dances they have learned together.

Folkfest will take place on Tuesdays after lunch is eaten. Children will be escorted to the big gym at 12:05.

If you are interested, please fill out the attached form and return it to your teacher by Monday, February 26.

We hope to see you there!

Sincerely,

Ms. Cook and Ms. Willoughby







Winter Activity Day Photos For The Yearbook

If you took any photos at yesterday's **Winter Activity Day** that you'd like to share with us for the Yearbook, please send to <u>bessboroughyearbook@gmail.com</u>



We're always looking for photos from any Bessborough event, so send those in too!

Be sure to send best quality and the largest file size you have (highest resolution) or if sending from your iPhone, please send "Actual Size". For any questions, please email Sue Thurow at susan.thurow@tdsb.on.ca or Corey Ferguson at c.ginou@sympatico.ca

Lost and Found - Your Child's Belongings Want to Go Home! Last Call Before Donating

This is the last call to Find what you children have Lost! All remaining items after the February 27th Home & School Meeting and Inquiry Showcase will be donated to New Circles Community Services to help people in need.

H&S General Meeting and Inquiry Learning Showcase February 27th at 6:30 p.m.

Please join us, teachers, students and staff for our next H&S meeting. We'll provide a brief financial and project update and do the Bylaw vote (please see attached document). We are then excited to see what our teachers and students have in store to show us what and how they've been learning! Babysitting will be provided in the mini gym.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Request for Volunteers The Bessies

We need you to carry on this terrific talent show tradition. The venue is booked, the date is set and we have a group of parents happy to help, but we need a one or two parents to be lead and make the show come to light. Need to know more before stepping in? Please contact the H&S Volunteer Coordinator, Stacey Niman staceyniman@gmail.com to learn more.

Appreciations

Thanks to all the parents who helped with Valentine's Day festivities and activities to Suzy Sharples for delivering sweet treats to our wonderful staff!

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February 27 - Home & School General Meeting

