

# Bessborough Elementary and Middle School School Newsletter

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## Upcoming Events October

- ◆ FINAL X-Country Meet (Gr. 4-8) - Oct. 26
- ◆ Dental Screening - Oct. 23-27
- ◆ Gr. 8 to Gr. 9 Transition Night - Oct. 25 - Northlea
- ◆ Pizza Lunch - Oct. 26
- ◆ Halloween - Oct. 31
- ◆ Photo Retakes - Nov. 7 (afternoon)
- ◆ Remembrance Day Assembly - Nov. 10

## Dental Screening - Oct. 23-27



Toronto Public Health will be visiting Bessborough to provide free dental screening for all students this week. The screening program is offered to students in accordance with Ontario Ministry of Health requirements. Please see the attached letter for more information about this program.

## Cross-Country Update



Congratulations to our conference finals runners! You should all feel proud of your runs on Monday. A huge thank you to all the parents who helped with check in and out, writing numbers on hands, the tent!, and offering support and encouragement to all the runners out on such a cold day.

The city finals will take place on **Thursday, October 26 at Centennial Park.**

## Second Kicks



RECYCLING MADE EASY – Second Kicks will be, once again, collecting used soccer uniforms, cleats, balls and equipment to be REUSED in areas of need of equipment. To date, Second Kicks has sent your used soccer equipment to over 30,000 children and adults all over the world, putting smiles on faces in Africa, Nepal and communities in Canada.

A collection box has been set up in the school outside the main office and will be available during October.

To learn more about Second Kicks, please visit our website at [www.secondkicks.ca](http://www.secondkicks.ca).

## Junior Girls Basketball Try-outs

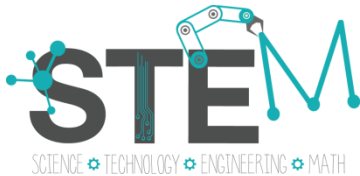
The junior girls basketball season is fast approaching. Tryouts will be held in the main gym on Monday, October 30th at 7:55am and Friday, November 3 at 7:55am. Please meet Mr. Tourlis outside the main gym. Remember to bring a water bottle, shorts and running shoes. Tryouts are open to all grade 5 and grade 6 girls. See you there!



Mr. Tourlis

## STEM Club

Interested in designing, creating and building? Then the STEM club is for you!



If you are in Grade's 1-3 and interested in joining this fun and exciting club, please come to **Mr. Chong's room at the beginning of lunch on October 31st** to sign up. See you all there!

Ms. Ho, Mr. Chong and Mr. Tourlis

## Intermediate Girls' Group

Intermediate Girl's group is starting again this year! If you are in grade 7 or 8 and interested in joining, please come to our first meeting on **Monday, October 30th at 8:00 AM** in the **staff room**.



Ms. Ho, Ms. Angeloni, Ms. Casselman

## Grade 5/6 Girls Soccer - Update

Congratulations to the Grade 5/6 Girls Soccer team on their tournament this Tuesday! Everyone played their best and it was great to see how much our teamwork improved throughout the 4 games. All of your hard work and commitment to early morning practices really paid off! Thank you to the parents who came on Tuesday to help and cheer us on!



## Intermediate Girls Basketball

Any Grade 7 or 8 girls interested in playing on the intermediate basketball team are invited to attend tryouts this week. Tryouts will be held at the following times:

- 3:30-4:30 on Monday after school
- 7:45-8:30 on Thursday morning



Please meet Mr. Couper in the large gym if you are interested.

Any questions, please e-mail Mr. Couper ([Ritch.Couper@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:Ritch.Couper@tdsb.on.ca))

## Grade 7 Vaccinations - Nov. 20



Toronto Public Health will be visiting Bessborough to provide free vaccination against three diseases. The vaccination package was sent home with students on the first week of school. The vaccines available at school clinics are not free at doctor's offices. Protect your child against meningitis and cancer. Please complete the consent form and return it to your child's teacher as soon as possible.

## Men With Axes Update

### Axes, Amazing Food and Awesome Fundraising

Men With Axes 2017 was a massive success, raising over \$25,000, far exceeding any other year, by a long shot!! This money will go a long way to helping enrich the lives of our kids, and we are especially proud to be able to help out another school implement the Empower Reading Program this year through our Community Outreach team.

The Men With Axes team could not have done it without the strong support of all the axe throwers that came out, and all of the loyal sponsors and everyone who made generous prize donations. We want to make special mention to: ( \* indicates donation over \$250.00).

\*Leaside Orthodontic Centre,\*Lexus on the Park,\*Sierra Meats,\*One Tiger Yoga,\*Jascor,\*The Mitchell Partnership Inc.,\*Cyclebar,\*Frameworth,\*KG Sports Group,\*Paul Dinelle,\*Federal Wireless Communications,\*Hockey Extreme,\*Toronto Hapkido Academy,Leaside Pub\*Laird and Sons,\*Dempster Clinic,\*Patrick Rocca,\*Stainton, Murray and Lam,\*Serrano Ham,\*Sheree Cerqua,\*Mansfield Ski Club,\*Gallery Child,\*Leaside Dentistry,\*BATL Axe, Local Eatery, Adamson Barbecue, \*Blue Jays, \*New Balance, \*Maissan Inc., (360thrills.me),\*M&S auto,\*Tesla,\*Georgian Peaks, Source menswear, \*Amsterdam,\*Skyzone,\*Pure fitness,\*Budweiser, \*Skis and bikes, \*Hand and Stone, Leaside Village Dental, \*Evolve,\*Power Soccer, \*McCain, \*Monica Stanway REMAX, Stacey Niman Personal and Group Fitness Trainer, \*Scotiabank, \*Bonavista Pools, \*Elac, Left Field Brewery,\*Leaside Baseball Camp, Barberian's Steak House, Ritz, Sports Clips

## Kindie Parent Wine and Cheese

**October 26<sup>th</sup> 7:30-10:30 p.m.**

It's not too late to book your babysitters so you can enjoy cocktails and conversation outside of the yard! The Kindergarten Welcome Night is on Thursday October 26th from 7:30-10:30pm. This is a wonderful chance to chat with other parents and Bessborough staff over a few drinks and great food in a relaxing environment. This event is kindly hosted by Laura and Brian Morgan at 74 Donegall Dr. Drop in anytime.

## Pizza Party Time

### October 26<sup>th</sup> Lunch time

A reminder that the first Pizza Lunch of the year is this **Thursday October 26th** so no need to pack lunch that day if your kids are signed up. Hooray!

We are just as excited to have Pizza lunch as your kids are! Please contact Lisa Jones at [lisa.am.jones@gmail.com](mailto:lisa.am.jones@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

## Day with The Marlies

### Saturday December 16<sup>th</sup>

Come join us December 16th at 4pm as Bessborough friends & families are invited to watch the Toronto Marlies take on the Manitoba Moose at the Ricoh Coliseum. Special ticket pricing has been negotiated with seating in the Black Section (Centre) <http://ricohcoliseum.com/events-tickets/seating-chart/>. Bessborough ticket price \$30 each.

Purchase tickets for your entire family, your hockey team or even friends from your street. The more friends and family we bring, the more exclusive experiences will be available for our students, such as Post-Game Family Skate, Fan High Five Tunnel, Zamboni ride, signing Oh Canada, etc.

The deadline for ticket sales is Wednesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>. Any questions, please email Jenn O'Donnell at [jodonnell@curacomm.net](mailto:jodonnell@curacomm.net) or check out the attached flyer.

## Enrichment Budget Ideas

### A Big Thank You!

Thank you to all the parents and families that took the time to submit their great ideas on how to spend our fundraising dollars! Next steps are for the Executive Committee to review the applications and a vote will be held at the November 14<sup>th</sup> General Meeting (babysitting provided). Stay tuned for more information on how you can continue to be a part of the process.

## Appreciation Corner

A HUGE shout out to all the guys who helped make Men with Axes such a big success - Tyler Lang, Shane Skillen, Chad Iwata, Arin Arat, Taylor Simms-Brown, Wes Zimmerman, David Asals, Chris Maissan, Kiran Patel, Kevin Robinson, Mike Embir, Anthony Hammill, Cabrina Skillen, and Lauren Morgan.

We can't say enough about how much work you all put into the event but your success really shows! Thank you.

## Keep In The H&S Know

Don't forget to visit [www.bessboroughhomeandschool.com](http://www.bessboroughhomeandschool.com) and follow us on Instagram @BessboroughHS.



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December 16<sup>th</sup> – Day With The Marlies