



Bessborough Bulletin



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Happy New Year!

January:

- 5 - First Day back
 - Day 3
 - Techie meeting @ 12:00 pm
- 6 - Library Ambassadors & Literacy Leaders (lunch)
 - Scientist in the School (am – K-Churchill, pm – K-Phillips, 8A-Shizas)
- 7 - Scientist in the School (am – Gr. 6, am – K-Willoughby)
- 8 - St. Andrew's JHS "After Grade 6" info night
 - Me to We (lunch)
- 12 – Lunch programs begin
 - Scientist in the School (pm – Gr. 5 – MacAulay)
- 13 - Library Ambassadors & Literacy Leaders (lunch)
- 15 - Artist Visit – Gr 5 (MacAulay – am)/ Gr 6 Gamm – pm)
 - Wonders of Winter photography deadline
- 23 – PA Day (no school)

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Week of January 5th, 2015

A Message from the Administrative team:

*"Keep your eyes on the stars, and your feet on the ground."
~ Theodore Roosevelt*

Happy New Year everyone! We hope all our Bessborough families had a fun and relaxing time during the holiday season. It's an opportunity to wind down and enjoy some time with family and friends.

As we begin our 2015 year, we look forward to continue to provide high expectations and activities to excite and motivate our students. Please continue to stay connected with your teachers and office staff so we can support you and your children as best as we can.

Continue to support your child at home by setting short term goals, arrange times after school to reflect on the school day and listen to your child's stories about their accomplishments and needs. These will be times they will always remember. Happy New Year!

~ Ms. Broderick and Ms. Rosenbloom

Days of Significance (2015)

January:

- 5 Twelfth Night (Christianity)
- 5 Mahayana New Year** (Buddhist)
- 6 Epiphany/Dia de los Reyes (Christianity)
- 6 Feast of the Theophany (Orthodox Christianity)
- 7 Feast of the Nativity (Orthodox Christianity)
- 18 World Religion Day* (Baha'i)
- 19 Martin Luther King Jr. Day (US)
- 21-25 No Name Calling Week
- 27 International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust (UN)

Winter Session Lunch Time Programs:

There is still some space in some of the programs, so registration will be kept open.

In addition, there is an after school chess program starting on **Monday, January 12, 2014**. Please see the attachment for this program, as well as the online registration information.



Primary and Junior STEM Programs:

Primary STEM will begin on Jan 12th @ lunch or Jan 13th after school.

Junior STEM still has some room available. If you are still interested in signing up, please contact Karen Ho at karenkyho890@gmail.com for more information.

A message from Guidance...

Happy New Year to each and every one of you!

It is unbelievable how these past four months have quickly flown by. The intermediate students have been involved in many activities, such as *Girls' Movement*, *Student Council* and other *school community programs*. In the guidance classes, the intermediate students have been introduced to the transitions process from Grade 8 to Grade 9 and most have created personal profiles using MyBlueprint. Many of our grade 8 students have been busy attending high school information evenings in order to make informed decisions regarding their grade 9 year.

In this New Year, the intermediate students will continue utilizing myBlueprint for goal setting, high school planning and for the grade 8 students in particular course selections. In addition, the first week back to school, for those Grade 8 students interested in attending a school outside of his/her area of residence, Optional Attendance forms will be distributed with a completion/submission deadline of January 30th.

I wish you all a peaceful, healthy and restful holiday season. Look forward to reconnecting in 2015.

Best Wishes,

Ms. Angheloni

St. Andrew's J.H.S. After Grade 6' evening

Thursday, January 8, 2015 (6:45 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.)

We would like to extend an invitation to you to visit St. Andrew's Junior High School on the evening of Thursday, January 8th to hear about our school and discover the many programs that we offer.

Students will greet you inside the front foyer of the school between 6:30 and 6:45 p.m. and will direct you to the cafetorium for a presentation followed by an Open House (presentation will be from 6:45-7:15). We encourage both students and their parents to attend this evening and we look forward to meeting you.

Agenda for the Evening

1. Welcome
2. Grade 7 Core Program Overview
3. Grade 7 Student Presentations
4. Junior High School as Preparation for Secondary School
5. Specialty programs: Gifted, High Performance Athlete
6. Classroom Open House visits (7:15-8:30 p.m.)

We look forward to meeting you.
If you have any further questions, please call (416)395-3090

Wonders of Winter Photography Contest:

An exciting photo opportunity for students.

- limit - 1 photo per student
- drop off photo to Ms. Thurow's classroom or
- e-mail it to: bessboroughstudentcouncil@gmail.com
- no human faces allowed in photos
- all submissions due by January 15/15





Yearbook Photos:

The Bessborough Yearbook Committee needs your photos! Please start sending us any photos you may have of Bessborough events using one of the following three methods:

- 1) From your cell phone or tablet - email photos to: bessboroughyearbook@gmail.com
- 2) From your computer, click on this link and upload your photos:

http://www.mediafire.com/filedrop/filedrop_hosted.php?drop=06c5b4ce1cabd3f1a4b99a81a97ce90f1f2551b6f5089bd8ab66d6a7e3809d7f

- 3) Put your photos on a labelled usb key or CD and bring them to office.

Need help? Feel free to contact our parent advisor, John Tzanetakis at Tzanetakis@rogers.com or teacher advisor, Susan Thurow at susan.thurow@tdsb.on.ca.

Events we are currently hoping to get pictures for:

- Halloween
- Terry Fox
- Remembrance Day Assembly
- Crazy Hair Day
- Sports Teams/Events
- School Trips

We will be asking for photos throughout the year but feel free to send them in at anytime!



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Dress Warm!

Remember the ice storm? Well we will have many very cold days coming up soon. Please make sure your child comes to school dressed appropriately for the winter. All students well enough to come to school will be well enough to be outside for recess.

Thank you and have a great week!

