

Bessborough Elementary and Middle School School Newsletter

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Upcoming Events

- ◆ Sub Lunch - Feb. 5
- ◆ Gregg Le Rock Concert - Feb. 7
- ◆ Report Cards Go Home - Feb. 12
- ◆ Social Media Speaker - Feb. 13
- ◆ Winter Activity Day - Feb. 15
- ◆ Kindergarten Registration Begins - Feb. 15
- ◆ P.A. Day - Feb. 16
- ◆ Family Day Holiday - Feb. 19
- ◆ Gr. 6 Trip to Sheldon - Feb. 20-23

Term 1 Report Card Cards

Students will be bringing home term 1 report cards on Monday February 12th. This is an excellent opportunity for students and parents to have a conversation about how the school year is progressing, celebrate successes, and reflect on challenges. Parents will also have an opportunity to schedule a parent-teacher conference to discuss the report card (talk to your child's teacher if you wish to do so).



Student Athletic Council Update

STUDENT
ATHLETIC
COUNCIL

Hi Bessborough,

Pals and Intramurals are doing great and the students are having a lot of fun. If your child is not participating in pals or intramurals and wants to, let them know and they can speak to one of the Bessborough Athletic Council members or to one of the Teachers involved.

The Track and Field date for the Grade 7 and 8 students is on Friday, April 20th. The rain date is on Monday, April 23rd.

Grade 5/6 Girls Volleyball

The grade 5/6 girls volleyball team has an upcoming tournament on February 14th at Blythwood PS. Good luck!



Winter Activity Week - Feb. 12-16



If you and your family are planning on being away during this week, please ensure that you send an e-mail to our Safe Arrival address so that this can be logged into the Safe Arrival system in advance. This also applies if your child will not be participating and not coming to school on our Winter Activity Day on Thursday February 15th. Please send your e-mails to: bessborough@tdsb.on.ca

Winter Activity Day - Thurs. Feb. 15



Please remember that if your child(ren) who are in grades 3-8 are participating in our ski trip activities, that forms and payment are now due. Please submit as soon as possible if you have not yet had an opportunity to do so. Thank you very much!

Kindergarten Registration



Our Kindergarten program provides young students with a rich and safe learning environment designed to give them the best possible start.

At the TDSB, your child will have many opportunities to learn, build new skills and make new friends. Starting Kindergarten is a very exciting time. We are here to support you and your child in getting ready for school.

For helpful tips, please visit: tdsb.on.ca/kindergarten

Registration

To qualify for Junior Kindergarten, children must be four years of age by December 31 of that year. Go to tdsb.on.ca/kindergarten or visit the Bessborough office to get started. **Registration begins February 15 & 16!**

Please see the Kindergarten Registration Booklet and Parent FAQ that are attached to this e-mail for more information.

Candy Grams For Sale

The Student Engagement Committee is excited to announce are continuing to sell Candy Grams (sour keys) for the next 2 weeks. Send a thoughtful message to a special friend.

Dates you can purchase

~ Thursday, February 8th

Friday, February 9th

AND

Monday, February 12th through Wednesday, February 14th

Location~ Room 31 ~ Ms. Ciobanu

Time~ Lunch time only

Cost ~ 50 cents per sour key

Proceeds will be used to support grade 8 students who require financial assistance for the June graduation trip.

Many Thanks for Your Ongoing Support,

The Student Engagement Committee



H&S General Meeting - New Date! Feb. 27 @ 6:30 p.m.

Our next Home & School meeting is moved to February 27th. It will be held in partnership with the teachers hosting an Inquiry Showcase, for parents to understand this learning strategy across all grades and to see some inspiring demonstrations from our students. Details about the evening will be provided in the coming weeks. Babysitting will be provided.

We look forward to seeing you there!

You Won't Want to Miss This! *Parent Speaker Series* Topic: Social Media Security: Keeping our Kids Safe February 13th @ 6:45 PM

Rolph Road School, Gymnasium

Home & School invites you to spend an evening with social media expert, Paul Davies, who will be speaking frankly about accountability and responsibility in social media environments - Snapchat, Facebook, Instagram, Youtube, as well as Cyberbullying, Digital Trails, Image Sharing, Sexting (and Child Pornography), Smartphones & Apps and Online Security.

Bessborough students in Grades 4 to 8 will have had Paul's presentation earlier that day. Attending will allow us to understand what they learned and be able to have a meaningful discussion with our children.

Learn more by visiting:

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zaEnoBQSOvY>
- www.socialnetworkingsafety.net

Please RSVP to: [Social Media Security Presentation RSVP](#)



Request for Volunteers

The Bessies need your help! H&S is in need of parent volunteers to run the Bessie's this Spring. What are the Bessie's you ask? Well, it's just the best school talent show on earth! This well loved annual event went into hibernation last year, but it's back! Need to know more before stepping in? Please contact the H&S Volunteer Coordinator, Stacey Niman staceyniman@gmail.com to learn more about what this volunteer job entails.

The venue is booked! Leaside High Auditorium
The date has been selected! Friday, April 27th, 2018

We just need you and a few of your friends to pull this event together and make it happen!

Sub Lunch Reminder

Monday is sub lunch! Hooray!

Appreciation Corner

We can't shout out loud enough for Anne-Louise Blaikie for the time and effort she has given on the H&S communication team. Thanks for jumping into the deep end with us this year!

How to be in the Know

Visit www.bessboroughhomeandschool.com or follow us on Instagram @BessboroughHS



February 13 – Parent Speaker Series Presentation

February 27 – Home & School General Meeting