

Bessborough Elementary and Middle School School Newsletter

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Upcoming Events

- ◆ Track & Field City Finals - June 12
- ◆ Gr. 5 True North Rock Climbing Trip - June 15
- ◆ Grade 8 Grad Trip - June 18-22
- ◆ Kindie Trip to Riverdale Farm - June 19
- ◆ Kindie June Party (north yard) - June 21
- ◆ Grade 8 Grad - June 25
- ◆ Last Day of School - June 28

Volunteer Annual Offence Declaration

Each year the TDSB requires an update by way of the Volunteer Annual Offence Declaration Form.

Therefore, if you currently have a police reference check on file with the office, kindly complete the attached form and send it to school on Monday with your child. Should you have any questions, please contact Etienne at Etienne.Mercieca@tdsb.on.ca Thank you.

Wellness Club

The summer is fast approaching and the Wellness Club wants all students to feel relaxed, calm and well over the break. We have put together a website with lots of ideas, apps and videos to help Bessborough students stay mindful over the summer. Have a look at the Wellness@Bessborough website for more details.

<https://sites.google.com/tdsb.on.ca/wellness-bessborough/home>

The Wellness Club

Student Vote Election Results

May 29 was the day when grade 5 to 8 students at Bessborough cast their votes in provincial parallel elections organized by CIVIX Ontario.

The results of the Student Vote are:

MORGAN BAILEY – Green Party of Ontario = 30
JON KIERAN – PC Party of Ontario = 83
JOHN KITTREDGE – Libertarian = 6
PATRICK GEOFFREY KNIGHT – CEP = 5
AMARA POSSIAN – Ontario NDP/NPD = 49
KATHLEEN WYNNE – Ontario Liberal Party = 77

We would like to thank this wonderful group of students and the entire Student Engagement Committee who dedicated numerous hours preparing for this event.

It was a great exercise in engaged and responsible citizenship for all our participants in the vote.

Mirela Ciobanu



It's Back...Kilometer Club 2018!



This is a non-competitive activity for ALL Bessborough students to participate in!

WHEN: Every morning for 5 days starting Monday June 11th to Friday June 15th 2018

TIME: 8:05 a.m. – 8:25 a.m. (20 minutes)

WHERE: Bessborough South Yard

What to do? Run or walk around the south schoolyard field and collect **one** popsicle stick for each lap they complete. Goal is to run/walk as many laps as possible & collect one charm for your bracelet or lanyard after you are finished running.

*** A bracelet or Lanyard will be provided on the first day of Kilometer Club for all runners.**

ATTENDANCE: Participate as many mornings as you can to collect ONE charm per day! After the run, check in at the attendance table with your teacher's name and how many popsicle sticks you collected that day; at the end of the week we will total all the popsicle sticks collected by all runners and calculate how far Bessborough students have run across Canada (each stick will equal approx. 200m). Students can run as many laps as they would like during the 20 minutes, in fact, it's encouraged!

COST: It is free! Thanks to Home and School funding ☺

Why Participate? To promote fitness, well-being and to have fun!

*****PLEASE NOTE** that Kilometer Club is a **volunteer parent based** club with as a staff sponsor. Therefore parents/guardians of the child(ren) **must** stay or make arrangements with another parent to supervise. We will need lots of parents to hand out popsicle sticks to the runners ☺

Bessborough Child Care Centre Students: please ensure you drop off your children by 8AM to allow one of the BCCC staff to bring them out to the yard to participate.

FINAL NOTES:

*IF it is raining there will be NO Kilometer Club that day

*REMEMBER to wear proper shoes, eat a healthy breakfast before KC and bring a healthy snack /water for afterwards!

**Look for the Map of Canada posted in the main hallway to check on our school's progress as we run across Canada for 8 days!

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Triina Forbell: tforbell@hotmail.com

How far can we get? ... join in and find out!



Be Part of the Fun! Join Home & School!

H&S is a committee of parent volunteers who are focused on enriching the in-class and extracurricular experience of all students. With the support of our parent community, we run events that foster school spirit and raise funds for the school. It's fun and fulfilling to be part of a group that influences such a positive atmosphere at Bessborough.

Next year, there are opportunities for you to get involved. Here are positions available:

Divisional Representatives: work as the liaison between the H&S Committee, administrators, teachers, and class parents.

Lunch Activity Coordinators (2 people): these parents are responsible for selecting and overseeing the lunch programs that are as loved by our parents as the students.

Chair - (2 people): Don't be daunted by the title – this role is a lot of fun and not as consuming as you may think (especially when you have a great team!). Without this leadership we run the risk of not providing our parents and students the programs and events we and they have come to love.

Please visit <http://www.bessboroughhomeandschool.com/get-involved> for more information on the roles or reach out to Robyn (robayneisrael@gmail.com) and let us know what you're interested in and we'll find you the right role.

Last H & S Meeting - Operating Budget Vote & Community Outreach Vote

Our last H&S general meeting for this school year will be on **Tuesday, June 13th at 7pm** in the library. We will vote on next year's operating budget. We will also be voting on our H&S Community Outreach initiative for next year - to provide another school in need with the Empower Reading Program. Please come to the meeting to learn about this important initiative and cast your vote!

There will be babysitting provided in the mini gym. We hope to see you there and please remember to look through the Lost and Found for your missing treasures.

Appreciation Corner

A shout out to a whole bunch of people who have been on our H&S - some for many years - who will be stepping down after this school year. Stacey Niman, Jacqui Shirley-Dickens, Kathryn Weinman, Shawna Hogan, Karin Seybold Purdy, Karen Gagnon, Lisa Sepp-Wilson and Afsoon Mahdavian. THANK YOU for the many, many hours of work you have devoted to make Bessborough better.



June 12 th	Final 2017/2018 H&S General Meeting
June 14 th	Ladies Night
June 19 th	Bessborough Bounces @Skyzone
June 25 th	Grade 8 Graduation Ceremony