

# Bessborough Elementary and Middle School School Newsletter

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## Upcoming Events

- ◆ Caring & Safe Schools Committee (Lunch) - March 26
- ◆ Pizza Lunch - March 29
- ◆ Ladies & Gentleman, Boys & Girls Presentation (Gr. 4-8) - March 29
- ◆ Good Friday - March 30
- ◆ Easter Monday - April 2
- ◆ Gr. 7/8 Co-Ed Volleyball Tournament - April 3
- ◆ Sub Lunch - April 9
- ◆ Lice Check - April 13
- ◆ Track & Field Day - Gr. 4-6 - April 19
- ◆ Track & Field Day - Gr. 7/8 - April 20



## Easter Break: March 30- April 2

Easter weekend begins on March 30<sup>th</sup> this. As such, there will be no classes for students on Friday March 30<sup>th</sup> and on Monday April 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## 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](mailto:Etienne.Mercieca@tdsb.on.ca) or call the school.

## Toronto Blue Jays Day

We are excited to be part of Toronto Blue Jays Day on Thursday May 24<sup>th</sup>. All 3-8 students will be receiving a letter and permission form about this event. The letter and form are also attached to the e-mail with this bulletin. We have a block of tickets reserved in Section 512. Tickets are \$16 each and parents may purchase tickets for yourselves and younger siblings (provided parents are attending) if you wish to join us. Please see the letter and permission form for additional details.



## Pizza Party Time!

A reminder that the next Pizza Lunch is next Thursday, March 29th, so no need to pack lunch that day if your kids are signed-up. Hooray!

Please contact Lisa Jones at [lisa.am.jones@gmail.com](mailto:lisa.am.jones@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

## Join the H & S Committee - We Need You!

For the past few weeks we've been showcasing the roles that are looking for new people to join Home and School in September, and we're still hoping to attract more of you! All you need is a desire to give back to the school, to make connections with other great parents, and to have a good time!

Please visit [www.bessboroughhomeandschool.com/get-involved](http://www.bessboroughhomeandschool.com/get-involved) for information on our committees or contact Robyn Israel at [robyneisrael@gmail.com](mailto:robyneisrael@gmail.com) for more info!

## This Week's Committee Spotlight - Chair(S)

These are two must-fill roles! In fact, H&S can't exist without these two integral team leaders. Wondering if you might be the right person for the job....? Are you organized? Do you love helping teams of people do great things? Do you want to get to know the parent and school community better? If this sounds like you, then step right up! No experience required as you will have a strong, capable and collaborative team to back you up, and a Past Chair to guide you along the way.

For more information on the role, please visit [www.bessboroughhomeandschool.com/get-involved](http://www.bessboroughhomeandschool.com/get-involved) or contact Robyn Israel: [robyneisrael@gmail.com](mailto:robyneisrael@gmail.com)

## Parent Speaker Series - Send Us Your Ideas!

Each year, we bring in experts from a variety of fields to share their experience and knowledge with us. In the past, we have hosted talks by leading experts in children's mental health and well-being, and social media safety. H&S is now looking for new ideas from you for future speakers! Good schools become great schools when parents are involved in their children's learning and well-being. Please give it some thought and reach out to Robyn with your thoughts and ideas: [robyneisrael@gmail.com](mailto:robyneisrael@gmail.com)

## Capes for Kids

On March 7th, our school raised \$948.45 for Capes for Kids - a charity supporting Holland Bloorview Kids Rehabilitation Hospital - WAY TO GO!

Funds raised will go towards

- **helping kids and teens move, speak, play and lead** through therapy, programs and services
- **enabling research** that is changing our understanding of autism, or perhaps your gift will fund innovative technologies that will change the future for kids and teens with disabilities
- **supporting programs and services** that help families to stay strong, stay grounded and to keep going

Thank you again to all the parents and kids for your support!

## Skyzone Event in June - Volunteers STILL Needed!

Once again, this much-loved H&S fundraising event takes place in June this year, and H&S is looking for someone to put it all together! What you need to do: book the venue, order the pizza and get the word out there! If you've been wanting to volunteer this year, but haven't found the right opportunity yet, this is the time for you! Please contact Lauren Morgan for details: [lauren\\_swinburne@hotmail.com](mailto:lauren_swinburne@hotmail.com)

## Spring Lunchtime Activities Still Open for Registration

Programs start the week of April 16<sup>th</sup>, so don't delay!

Please click [here](#) to go to the Lunchtime Activities page for more information and to register!

*Please note: Due to low enrolment last Spring, programs will be available to Kindergarten students only. There will NOT be any programs offered for grades 1-8.*



March 29<sup>th</sup> – Pizza Lunch  
March 30<sup>th</sup> – April 2<sup>nd</sup> - Easter Break  
April 10<sup>th</sup> - H&S General Meeting  
May 27<sup>th</sup> - Mayfair  
June 7<sup>th</sup> - Lawn Bowling  
June 14<sup>th</sup> - Ladies Night

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