

# Bessborough E & MS Newsletter



## Bessborough Elementary & Middle School

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### Upcoming Events:

- March 10 – Arctic Light Presentations by John Dunn for all Grades
- March 10 – Community Coffee at Leaside Longos with Trustee Chernos Lin.
- March 16–20 – March Break
- March 28 – Parents as Partners Conference at Toronto Congress Centre.



## Arctic Light Presentations – Grades K to 8

We are looking forward to welcoming John Dunn on Tuesday March 10<sup>th</sup>. John Dunn is a wilderness explorer, photographer and lecturer with a fascination for the Canadian Arctic and other wild regions of Canada. He is a veteran of over 20 expeditions and shares his images and experiences in his presentations.

## Safe Arrival Reminder

**Safe Arrival: (416) 396-2319 or email [Bessborough@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:Bessborough@tdsb.on.ca)**

Please call or email when your child will not be attending school. Students require a note if they are absent or late. Students cannot leave the school without parental consent. Please try to make appointments and/or pick-ups prior to recess or at lunch time.

### Frequently Asked Questions

#### ***Can I opt out of the Safe Arrival Program?***

NO, The Toronto District School Board recognizes that regular attendance is essential to the safety, academic success, and well-being of all students.

#### ***Is there something I can do to prevent receiving calls from the automated system?***

YES.

- Ensure your child attends school every day.
- Notify the school in advance when your child will be absent.
- Have your child enter school on time during morning and afternoon entry.



## Peter Pan The Musical

A celebration of the fantastical and of drama! Bessborough School Council brings you two magical nights full of dance, music and drama on Thursday **April 23<sup>rd</sup>** and Friday **April 24<sup>th</sup>**.

*Don't Miss Out-Limited seating! Stay tuned for ticket information and sales!*



## Let the Party Planning Begin!

Save the date: **SUNDAY MAY 31st from 11 am – 3 pm** for a fun-filled family day at school. Now, this big event can't run without your help! We need volunteers to join our Mayfair committee. If you are interested please contact Cabrina Skillen or Kristine Locklin at [Cabrina.Skillen@hotspex.com](mailto:Cabrina.Skillen@hotspex.com) or [klocklin@gmail.com](mailto:klocklin@gmail.com). Also, if you know of anyone in the community interested in sponsorship we'd love to hear from you!

## Silent Auction Team:

Anyone interested in joining the Silent Auction Team should contact Cabrina at [Cabrina.Skillen@hotspex.com](mailto:Cabrina.Skillen@hotspex.com)

We are always looking for donations for popular silent auction items such as tickets, memorabilia, gift baskets and experiential prizes. Please email Cabrina if you have donations.

## Mayfair Poster Contest

Stay tuned...winners will be announced soon.

Thanks in advance for your support - - we can't put together this great event without our amazing Bessborough community!

# Thank you!

Thank you to Stacy Niman and Liana Kosmatos for organizing our Sub Lunch on Monday.



**Bessborough E & M.S.**

## School Council is on Insta

Follow us on Instagram and get messages about events, when forms are due, pictures of the fun goings-on at Bessborough and more!

Follow [@bessboroughschoolcouncil](https://www.instagram.com/bessboroughschoolcouncil)

## Safety during drop-off and pick up time

We ask for your ongoing partnership in ensuring the safety of all students at Bessborough by:

- Stopping in the designated Drop-Off-Zone on the east side of Bessborough Drive – ***south of the Bus Loading Zone.***
- Ensuring that you do not stop and block traffic at any time on Bessborough.
- Walking students across the street if you park on the west side of Bessborough so children will not walk or run between moving vehicles.



Pizza Lunch – March 26<sup>th</sup> and April 23<sup>rd</sup>

Sub Lunch – April 6<sup>th</sup>

Peter Pan the Musical – April 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>



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