

# Bessborough E & MS Newsletter



## Bessborough Elementary & Middle School

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### Upcoming Events:

- March 16–20 – March Break
- March 23–April 3  
Ontario School Closure
- April 6 – Return to school.



## School Reopens on Monday April 6, 2020

As you know, the Ontario Government has announced that all Ontario schools (including those at the TDSB) have been ordered to close from March 14 to April 5, 2020 amid ongoing concerns about Coronavirus.

The TDSB link [HERE](#) has the most up to date information regarding the school closure.

## Parents as Partners Conference Postponed

For many years, the TDSB has hosted the Parents as Partners Conference for families in collaboration with Community Advisory Committees, Parent Involvement Advisory Committee, Special Education Advisory Committee, staff and community agencies.

After consulting with our partners, a decision has been made to postpone this conference until fall 2020. The current labour context has made it difficult to ensure that the conference will maintain the breadth of options and offer participants a similar experience to previous years, and concerns about coronavirus (COVID-19) may negatively impact attendance. The planning team is committed to hosting another comprehensive and rewarding conference in fall 2020.

## Remaining Sub Lunch & Pizza Lunch Dates

### Sub Lunch Dates

Monday April 6, 2020 (postponed)  
Monday May 4, 2020  
Monday June 1, 2020

### Pizza Lunch Dates

Thursday March 26, 2020 (postponed)  
Thursday April 30, 2020  
Thursday May 28, 2020



## 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!

The Mayfair committee is currently looking for gently used stuffies for the Teddy Bear Hospital; these can be dropped off in the bin outside the office any time.

## Silent Auction Team:

Anyone interested in joining the Silent Auction Team should contact [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 Winners

The winners for the Mayfair poster contest are **Maria Douros & Rachel Van Humbeck!** They will both receive Mayfair wristbands.

The winner for the Mayfair Thank You is **Chloe Ferguson!** She will receive Mayfair tickets.

**Congratulations!** Thank you to everyone who entered the contest. All entries will be posted in the school closer to the event.

# 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.



**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)



NOTE: Pizza Lunch (March 26) and Sub Lunch (April 6) are both postponed.

Pizza Lunch – April 23<sup>rd</sup>

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



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