

BESSBOROUGH BUZZ

The Bessborough E&MS Newsletter

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BESSBOROUGH HALLOWEEN FOOD DRIVE

October 23- 31

Organized by the Student Engagement Committee

in support of



SEC FOOD DRIVE

The Student Engagement Committee is busy preparing for the Daily Bread Food Bank food drive (October 23-31). Though the posters at school have Oct 23-27 on them, we would accept donations until Halloween Day. The most needed items are: baby food and formula, canned fish and meat, canned fruit and vegetables, grains, lentils and beans, dried pasta, pasta sauce, canned tomatoes, soups and stews, and tetra packed milk

The students have prepared announcements, posters and will do short classroom presentations about food insecurity to grades K-3. This includes the reading of the picture book "The Hunger Monster" and a short skit based on this topic.

IMPORTANT DATES

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE FOLLOWING UPCOMING EVENTS:

OCTOBER 16-18

- GR. 7 OVERNIGHT TRIP

OCTOBER 18

- CROSS-COUNTRY CONFERENCE FINALS

OCTOBER 25

- PIZZA LUNCH

OCTOBER 30

- PICTURE DAY

OCTOBER 31

- HALLOWEEN PARADE 1 PM

NOVEMBER 1

- G.8-9 VIRTUAL TRANSITION INFO SESSION FOR FAMILIES



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Choices for 9: Interactive Guide for Students, Parents and Guardians

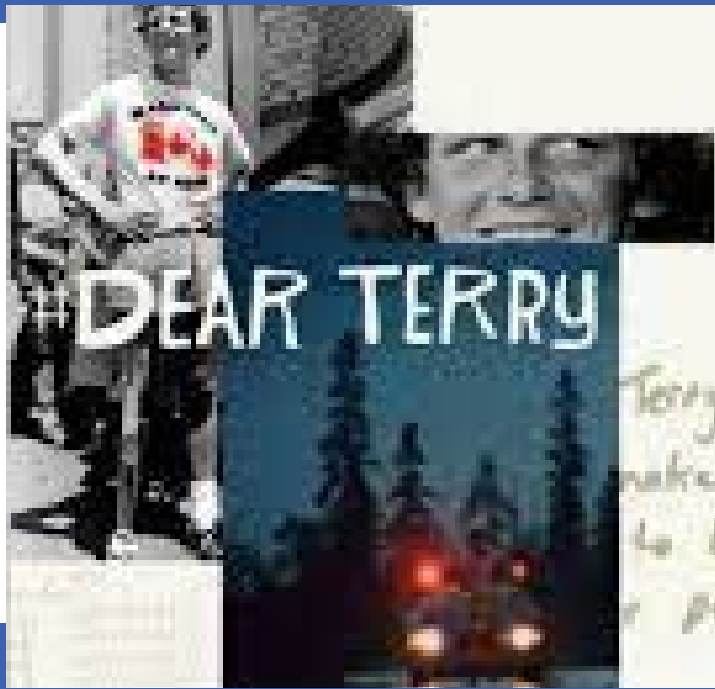
BEYOND GRADE 8 PLANNING

Listed below is important information, including deadlines, for Grade 8 to Grade 9 transition planning for families:

November

- [Grade 8 to 9 Transition Information Session for Grade 8 Families](#) (November 1, 2023)
- [Student Interest Program Information Session for Grade 8 Families](#) (November 2, 2023)
- Central Student Interest Program Online Application is available (November 6, 2023)
- Central Student Interest Program Application Support
- Deadline to submit the Central Student Interest Program Online Application (4:00 p.m. on November 24, 2023)
- Attend your Elementary School Transition Event (if applicable)
- Attend the [Secondary School Open Houses and Information Nights](#)
- Research [Secondary Central Student Interest Programs](#), [Alternative Schools](#) and [Local Programs](#) in the TDSB
- Review the [Beyond 8 - Grade 8 to 9 Transitions Resources](#)
- Students with [special education](#) needs for whom a change in setting or program is being considered for grade 9 should be discussed at the School Support Team (SST) meeting (this meeting will occur with the parent(s)/guardian(s) and the SST)
- Parent/Teacher interviews
- Complete Individual Pathways Plan task(s)

Note that Bessborough Grade 8 students will also have an opportunity to visit Leaside High School on November 1. Grade 8 teachers will be sending more information when it is available.



YOU RAN FOR US.
NOW WE RUN WITH YOU.

Terry Fox Run | terryfox.org



TERRY FOX RUN AND DONATIONS

Congratulations to the Bessborough School community on another successful Terry Fox Day. The students showed great school spirit for a great cause and as of today have raised over \$8,000!! Thank you to all the supporters who came out to cheer on the runners, every little bit helped. For anyone who ordered a Terry Fox t-shirt through the school, the t-shirts have been handed out and should have come home today. We are so sorry for the delay and appreciate your patience and understanding.

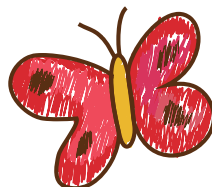
A reminder that our Terry Fox Foundation will keep our school donation site open and active for the full school year. These donations support cancer research.

GRADE 7/8 SOCCER

The Grade 7/8 girls' soccer team played a tremendous tournament at Bayview Middle School on Thursday! Bessborough won all three games and did not give up a goal in net. Bessborough placed first in the pool, so they will be moving onto the conference round next Friday, October 20th. Ms. Buksner and Ms. Backus are very proud of all the players' teamwork and positivity! Gooooo Bessborough!! The Grade 7/8 boys' soccer team also had great success at their tournament. They won one game and came back from behind to tie a second game. The boys will also be moving on to the next round. The date is TBD.

TRUSTEE CHERNOS LIN'S NEWSLETTER

All families can visit Trustee Chernos Lin's Ward 11 [webpage](#) and sign up to receive her Newsletter.



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VOLUNTEERING AT BESSBOROUGH

Your help means the world to us, and there will be plenty of opportunities to volunteer in your child's classroom, but in order to volunteer at the school you must complete **a vulnerable sector screening**. Detailed instructions are available here. Have questions? **Email or DM us on IG.**

UPCOMING EVENTS

09
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Monday
Happy Thanksgiving

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Tuesday AM
Terry Fox Run

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Wednesday
Pizza Lunch

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Wednesday 7-9pm
Gr. 7 Welcome Social at Leaside Pub

30
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Monday
Picture Day

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

Happy Thanksgiving to all our wonderful Bessborough families! We are grateful for your support and involvement in our school community. May your day be filled with cherished moments and delectable delights.



SEND US PHOTOS

We'd love to feature your kids on our instagram! **[Drop your photos here.](#)**

GET INVOLVED

Get involved and help us make a difference in our school and community. **[Sign up here.](#)**

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