

BESSBOROUGH BUZZ

The Bessborough E&MS Newsletter

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BLACK HISTORY MONTH ASSEMBLY

The Bessborough Black History Month Committee, made up of students, parents and staff has organized an assembly for **Tuesday, February 27th beginning at 1:30 PM**. The assembly will feature student presentations and a performance by Afro-Cuban drummer Joaquin Nunez Hidalgo and his ensemble. Bessborough Parents/Guardians are **invited to attend**.

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

The next School Council Meeting is on **Wednesday Feb 28th at 7pm**. This is a chance for you to have a say in decisions that impact our school and your attendance makes a big difference.

Childcare is available.

IMPORTANT DATES

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE FOLLOWING UPCOMING EVENTS:

FEB 26

- 100TH PLANNING MEETING
- GRADE 1 INTRAMURALS
- GRADE 6 PARENT INFO SESSION FOR SHELDON-4:30 PM

FEB 27 @ 1:30 PM

- AFRICAN HERITAGE ASSEMBLY

FEB 28

- PIZZA LUNCH
- SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING - 7PM

FEB 29

- GRADE 1 INTRAMURALS

MARCH 1

- SKI TRIP (GR.4-8)
- DANCE PARTY (JK- GR.3)

MARCH 6

- BOOK SWAP



INTRAMURALS GRADES 1 & 3

Grade 1 intramurals start next week, running twice a week on **February 26, 29, March 4, and 7**. Students will enjoy cooperative games and scooter board activities in the Big Gym, with BAC students helping student to returning to their classrooms afterward. **Grade 3 intramurals will follow after March Break**.

Stay tuned for details! from Felicia Z. of the BAC

CHINESE HERITAGE MONTH



TDSB's Chinese Heritage Month is proudly recognized in February each year. This year we celebrate the Year of the Dragon: Majesty, Brilliance, Confidence, Leadership. A HUGE THANK YOU to the many parents, students and staff that came together to create a magnificent display at Bessborough. The Dragon is proudly displayed in our library hallway, surrounded by many student lanterns, a school wide made Zodiac Calendar and photos of how our Bessborough students

celebrated Lunar New Year with their families! The look on children's faces as they walk through this area is magical! Someone commented, "I just got goosebumps". Thank you again, everyone!



UPCOMING SPIRT DAYS, PRESENTED BY BAC

Mark your calendars, and get ready for a blast of excitement with our upcoming spirit days at school.

- **February 28th is 80s Day** – encourage your child to rock bright and colorful neon outfits.
- **March 6th is Jersey Day** – have them proudly wear their favorite team jersey.

Let's make these days full of energy and school spirit!

SPECIAL EDUCATION AND INCLUSION

Please join the TDSB Special Education Department on **March 5th** or **March 6th** to learn more about *Transitions for Students with an IEP, Elementary to Secondary Transitions, Post Secondary Transitions, School/Home Partnerships and more.*

- **March 5 at 10am** – [Zoom Link](#)
- **March 6 at 6:30pm** – [Zoom Link](#)



KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Registration for all TDSB Kindergarten programs is open.

- Children who will be 4 by December 31, 2024, are eligible to start Junior Kindergarten in September 2024.
- New registrations are completed through TDSB's Online Registration
- For more information, [please visit the TDSB's Registration web page](#).

TRUSTEE RACHEL CHERNOS LIN – WARD 11 NEWS

Trustee Rachel Chernos Lin is hosting Ward 11 Community Coffee on **Wednesday, February 28** at **Leaside Longo's Loft** (upstairs kitchen) located at 99, Laird Drive in the Leaside Village Plaza beginning at **9:30am – 11:00am**.

BESSBOROUGH

100TH

ANNIVERSARY

APRIL 18 2024

**BESSBOROUGH IS CELEBRATING ITS BIG MILESTONE OF
100 YEARS IN THE AMAZING COMMUNITY OF LEASIDE!
COME JOIN US: TOURS, ARTIFACTS, PERFORMANCES!
EVENT 5PM TO 8PM**



211 BESSBOROUGH DRIVE



**DOWNLOAD THE QR CODE AND RECORD
YOUR BESS MEMORY TO SHARE AT THIS
EVENT!**



BESSBOROUGH E&M SCHOOL COUNCIL

FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

THIS WEEK: FEB 28TH SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

Friendly reminder to save the date for our upcoming **School Council Meeting on Feb 28th at 7pm!** Your input is super important, and this is a chance for you to have a say in decisions that impact our school and your attendance makes a big difference.

UPCOMING EVENTS

26
FEB

Monday & Thursday
Grade 1 Intramurals

27
FEB

Tuesday @ 1:30pm
Black History Month Assembly
Parents are welcome to attend

28
FEB

Wednesday
School Council Meeting

28
FEB

Wednesday
Pizza Lunch
80s Spirit Day

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MAR

Friday
Bess Ski Trip (Gr. 4-8)
Bess Dance Party (JK -Gr. 3)

== THANK YOU ==

A big shoutout and thank you to **Rachel Gordon** and **Andrea Bee** for an amazing Trivia Night! From Andrea's fantastic hosting skills, and Rachel's creativity with the questions the night was the highlight of our week!



MAYFAIR

Email **Charlotte Fleming** if you are interested in joining the '24 Planning Committee.

GET INVOLVED

Get involved and help us make a difference in our school and community. **Sign up here.**

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