

BESSBOROUGH BUZZ

The Bessborough E&MS Newsletter

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MOUNT ST. LOUIS SKI TRIP

Grade 4-8 students will be going to Mount St. Louis on Friday, March 1st. Buses will be leaving at 8AM--please arrive at Bessborough by 7:45 AM.

VERY IMPORTANT All participants must be registered using the link below and there is a firm registration deadline of **February 19th 2024**. This is so the resort has time to prepare lift tickets for our group, as well as to collect rental information.

[Click here to register your child with Mount. St. Louis](#)

Questions? Please contact your child's homeroom teacher.

IMPORTANT DATES

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE FOLLOWING UPCOMING EVENTS:

FEB 19

- FAMILY DAY - NO SCHOOL

FEB 21

- SPIRIT DAY-OPPOSITE DAY
- 100TH PLANNING MEETING
- PARENT SOCIAL: TRIVIA NIGHT

FEB 26

- 100TH PLANNING MEETING

FEB 28 - 7PM

- SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

LOOKING AHEAD

- MARCH 1 - SKI TRIP (G.4-8)



AFRICAN HERITAGE MONTH

In February, Canada recognizes African Heritage (Black History) Month, initiated by The Honourable MP Jean Augustine in December 1995 and officially implemented in February 1996. Bessborough will host an assembly on **Tuesday, February 27th at 1:30**, featuring student presentations and a performance by Afro-Cuban drummer Joaquin Nunez Hidalgo and his ensemble. **Parents/Guardians are invited to attend.**

CHINESE HERITAGE MONTH

TDSB's Chinese Heritage Month in February celebrates the Year of the Dragon, emphasizing Majesty, Brilliance, Confidence, and Leadership. The Lunar New Year, a significant celebration for Chinese communities worldwide, occurs annually based on the lunar calendar. In 2024, it spans from **February 10 to February 24**. Bessborough plans to mark the occasion through classroom activities, including a performance by Chinese Dragon dancers later in the 2nd term. **Details and family invitations for the performance will be shared soon.**



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BESSBOROUGH ATHLETIC COUNCIL

Spirit Days!

The BAC has planned one spirit day a week for the next 3 weeks!!

After last week's Valentine's Day themed spirit day, we have another one, **opposite day, scheduled for Wednesday, February 21**. Students can wear their outfits the opposite way, or inside out.

We've finished putting together the board outside the main gym, and students are invited to check the board for updates on spirit days, intramural dates, and sports teams.

written by BAC member Felicia Z.

SPECIAL EDUCATION AND INCLUSION

Please join the TDSB Special Education Department to learn more about:

- *Transitions for Students with an IEP*
- *Elementary to Secondary Transitions*
- *Post Secondary Transitions*
- *School/Home Partnerships*
- *Resources*

March 5 at 10AM: <https://tdsb-ca.zoom.us/j/96038536031>

March 6 at 6:30 PM: <https://tdsb-ca.zoom.us/j/97788712066>





KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Registration for all TDSB Kindergarten programs begins 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 COMMUNITYCOFFEE In-Person 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 E&M SCHOOL COUNCIL

FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

REMINDER: 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

12
FEB

Monday @ Lunch
Valentine's Candy Grams
100th Day of School

13
FEB

Tuesday
Report Cards Sent Home

16
FEB

Friday
PA Day - No School

19
FEB

Monday
Family Day - No School

21
FEB

Wednesday 7pm
Trivia Night @ Leaside Pub
Tickets available via [Cash Online](#)

28
FEB

Wednesday 7pm
School Council Meeting

PARENT SOCIAL TRIVIA NIGHT!

Our annual Trivia Night is Wednesday February 21 - 7pm at Leaside Pub. **Support your school and join us** for some friendly competitive fun!

Get your tickets via [Cash Online](#) before we are sold out! Reach out to [Andrea Bee](#) with questions or Team Requests.



Monday
Family Day - No School

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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