

BESSBOROUGH BUZZ

The Bessborough E&MS Newsletter

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BESSBOROUGH FOOD DRIVE

A big thank-you from the Student Engagement Committee for the Bessborough community's generosity in donating to the Food Drive for the Daily Bread Food Bank. I would also like to thank Ms Ciobanu, Ms Ho and Ms Wolodarsky for supporting our Student Engagement Committee to organize this event and the time they have spent developing the leadership capacity of these students. SEC members organized presentations for each of the primary classes where they explained what food insecurity is and supported students' deeper understanding and engagement in this issue.

100TH COMMITTEE

The 100th committee is made up of Bessborough staff, students, and families. Our next meeting will be on November 20th at 11:40 AM. We are looking for more families and Alumni who are interested in celebrating this important event. We are working towards having an Open House, displaying our archives and student learning in April. Please email janet.bambrick@tdsb.on.ca if you are able to attend the meeting.

IMPORTANT DATES

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE FOLLOWING UPCOMING EVENTS:

NOVEMBER 10

- REMEMBRANCE DAY ASSEMBLY

NOVEMBER 14

- PROGRESS REPORTS GO HOME

NOVEMBER 17

- PA DAY-PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

NOVEMBER 20

- 100TH COMMITTEE MEETING AT 11:40 AM



Toronto District School Board

Bessborough Used Winter Coat, Snow pants and boots Drive

This event is organized by the Student Engagement Committee

OCTOBER 23 - NOVEMBER 10



We accept donations of gently used, clean, functional and free of tears items. This is a partnership with Grenoble Public School and the items will be donated to families who benefit from them.



DROP OFF LOCATIONS

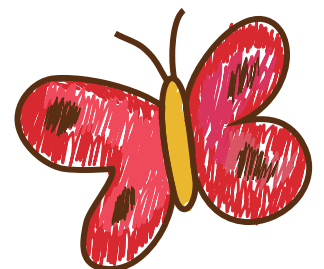
Please drop the items off with your child's teacher or directly in room 31, Ms. Ciobanu's classroom.

*Dear Bessborough School
community,
Thank you for your generosity!
Student Engagement Committee*



BESSBOROUGH ATHLETIC COUNCIL

The Bessborough Athletic Council (BAC) is off and running! We have completed all of our interviews and will now begin the process of choosing the successful candidates. We held over 40 interviews and the kids were AMAZING with their professionalism and enthusiasm! The staff will now start the difficult process of narrowing down the group of successful candidates. The list of this year's members will be posted mid-week on the library doors. We look forward to getting to work and starting our programming ASAP!



BEYOND GRADE 8 PLANNING

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

November

- 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 Lakeside High School on November 1. Grade 8 teachers will be sending more information when it is available.



BESSBOROUGH E&M SCHOOL COUNCIL

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CALLING ALL GRADE 7 PARENTS

Join us on **October 25 from 7-9pm at Leaside Pub for our annual Grade 7 Welcome Social**, hosted by Sabahat Khuram. It's the perfect time to connect with fellow parents and extend a warm welcome to our new Bessborough families. We look forward to seeing you there!

UPCOMING EVENTS

23
OCT

Monday 8-8:40am
Cross Country Practice

25
OCT

Wednesday AM
Centennial Park Meet

25
OCT

Wednesday
Pizza Lunch

25
OCT

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

30
OCT

Monday
Picture Day

MR. IVAN NEEDS OUR HELP!

Join us in creating endless fun on the playground! Mr. Ivan is on a mission to assemble the ultimate recess cart, but he needs your support. We're looking for affordable volleyballs, footballs, and four square balls to keep our kids active and entertained during recess.

Your contribution makes a big difference! Drop off your donated balls at the Office, and let's make recess the highlight of their day. Thank you for your generosity



PICTURE DAY

Picture day is **Oct 30th** looking forward to seeing all of Bessborough smile!

GET INVOLVED

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

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