

BESSBOROUGH BUZZ

The Bessborough E&MS Newsletter

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Secretary: Dianne Ranopa



STAFF GOODBYES

We will be saying goodbye to the following staff who will not be returning to Bessborough in the 2024-2025 school year:

- **Ms. Leishman (Grade 1)** - on a leave
- **Ms. Miller (ECE)**-moving to Rolph Rd.
- **Ms. Cook (Empower)** is retiring
- **Ms. Ho (Grade 3)** is moving to Bishop Strachan School
- **Ms. Standing (Grade 4)** is moving to a TDSB Central Position
- **Ms. Reid (Grade 7)** is moving to Alexander Muir Gladstone
- **Ms. Balshin (Grade 5/6)** is at the end of her LTO
- **Ms. Muckett-Sobers (French)** is at the end of her LTO
- **Ms. Niezen (ISP LD)** is at the end of her LTO
- **Ms. Nia (EA)** is retiring

We will miss these valued staff members and thank them for their contributions to our school. We will be announcing staff organization in late August.

IMPORTANT DATES

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE FOLLOWING UPCOMING EVENTS:

JUNE 24

- CLASS OF 2024 PHOTO 4:45 PM
- GRADE 8 GRADUATION 6:30 PM

JUNE 25

- KINDIE YEAR END CONCERT 2:45 PM

JUNE 26

- VOLUNTEER TEA 8:15 AM
- K-6 PLAY DATE (RAIN DATE - JUNE 27)

JUNE 28

- LAST DAY OF SCHOOL



CELEBRATING BESSBOROUGH'S CLASS OF 2024

The moment we've all been eagerly anticipating is here! Our **Graduation ceremony is tomorrow at 6:30 pm in the Leaside High Auditorium.**

- Our traditional **Bessborough Grad Photo** will be taken at **Bessborough (Hanna Street entrance) at 4:45pm.**
- We kindly ask **graduates to arrive to the ceremony at 6:00pm sharp.**

We look forward to celebrating the class of 2024 with our all of graduating families!



PARENT VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION TEA

Have you volunteered in your child's class, assisted on a school trip, helped out with pizza lunch, Mayfair, the 100th Anniversary event, a school team, or the School Council? Bessborough thrives because of our dedicated volunteers. To show our appreciation, **we are hosting a volunteer appreciation tea on the morning of Wednesday, June 26th**. We hope you can join us so we can express our heartfelt Thank you to our amazing volunteers!

- **Wednesday, June 26 from 8:15 - 9:30am**
- **Bessborough School Library**

REPORT CARDS

Report cards will be going home with students on **Wednesday June, 26th** in the afternoon. Students with IEPs and students with ELL reports, will receive those documents with their report cards.



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GRADE 8 GRADUATION

our Grade 8's big day is **tomorrow on June 24 at 6:30 pm in the Leaside High Auditorium.**

Graduates will be taking photos at Bessborough (Hanna Street entrance) **at 4:45pm**, followed by the ceremony **at 6:30pm**. Please ensure your graduate **arrives by 6pm sharp**.

Thank you to all our parent volunteers. **Please check the sign-up sheet for your shift details. Food donations can be dropped off at 301 Airdrie Road on this evening, or by noon tomorrow (June 24).**

UPCOMING EVENTS

24
JUNE

Monday @ 6:30pm
Gr. 8 Graduation

25
JUNE

Tuesday @ 2:45pm
Kindie Year End Concert

26
JUNE

Wednesday
Volunteer Tea at 8:15am
K-6 Play Day (rain date June 27th)

28
JUNE

Friday
Last Day of School!

BESS = TEACHERS = ARE THE BEST.

Last week, we celebrated our Bessborough teachers and staff with an appreciation lunch, and we want to extend our heartfelt gratitude to those of you who planned and volunteered.

We are so incredibly lucky to have a school filled with the best teachers in the game. Together they create a positive and enriching environment filled with passion, creativity, and support all of which make a profound impact on our kids.



MOVIE NIGHT

Save the Date - Sept 6th
Join us for our annual movie night under the stars!

GET INVOLVED

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

FOLLOW US

Stay up to date and informed by following us on **Instagram.**



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WE GOT BY WITH A LITTLE HELP FROM OUR FRIENDS - A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT.

As we reach the end of the 2023/2024 school year, I want to express my deep gratitude to all the incredible parents and family members of the Bessborough community who dedicate their time and energy to our school. Your commitment is the cornerstone of our thriving community. A special thank you goes to the **Bessborough School Council Executive Team: Rachel Gordon, Laura Wright, Alan Fleming, Geoff Lamb, Heather Wright Deluce, Josette Katkic, and Charlotte Fleming.**

All of our amazing events and initiatives — Spirit Wear, Movie Night, Mayfair, Pizza Days, Classroom communication, Staff Appreciation lunches, Kilometre Club, The Great Bessborough Book Swap, Trivia Night, and Lawn Bowling — would not be possible without the collective effort of our dedicated volunteers. On behalf of the School Council Executive Team, I want to acknowledge and thank the following parents for their invaluable time and support this year:

- Allie Lort
- Heather Zimcik
- Katerina Podolak
- Jenny Banwell
- Alison Toh
- Aimee Ostrander
- Christine Davis
- Kate Townshend
- Vanessa Kent
- Corine Lin
- Ruth Kalnitsky
- Sabahat Kuram
- Sabrina Booth
- Leanne Rhee
- Linna Chercover
- Maggie Lind
- Katie Robinson
- Selena Rice
- Celine Smith Le Gousse
- Lia MacLeod
- Tracey Starr
- Ashleigh Murphy
- Laura Ferron
- Katie Raincourt
- Kerry Harris
- Cheryl Armstrong
- Heather Sheehan
- Jodi Wright
- Leyli Goodale
- Jason & Kristine Locklin

OUR CLASS PARENTS

- Allison Lort
- Kathryn Thibeault
- Lindsay Freelan
- Jenny Banwell
- Renee Cronier
- Sabrina Booth
- Ali Appelton
- Joyce Kim
- Robin Masters
- Lori Shaw
- Ali Appelton
- Alison Steinman
- Farrah Chowdry
- Adrienne Zarem
- Mavis Fu
- Corine Lin
- Rachel Nelson
- Tammi Visano
- Jen Fry

Your dedication, generosity and support has been vital in making this year a success. To any I may have missed, thank you for everything you have done for our school.

Have a safe, and fun summer. We can't wait to see you in September.

Andrea Bee

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School Council President



FALL REMINDERS

Before you head off into the summer, mark your calendars for these **important dates.**

CLASSROOM + TEACHER ASSIGNMENTS

Labour Day Weekend
(by email)

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

September 3, 2024

MOVIE NIGHT AT BESSBOROUGH

September 6, 2024