



# Bessborough Bulletin



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**Happy New Year!**

## January:

12 – Day 3

- Lunch programs begin
- Scientist in the School (am) Gr 5/6
- Pilgrim, (pm) Gr 5
- MacAulay

13 – Girls Movement breakfast (8:15 am – library)  
- Library Ambassadors & Literacy Leaders (lunch)

15 - Artist Visit (am) Gr 5  
MacAulay, (pm) Gr 6  
Gamm  
- Wonders of Winter photography deadline

23 – PA Day (no school)

29 – Pizza Lunch  
Artist Visit (am) Gr 5/6  
Gamm, (pm) Gr 4  
Day

## February:

6 – Grade 8 Leaside visit

12 – Ski day

16 – Family Day  
(no school)

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## Week of January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2015

### A Message from the Administrative team:

*"Music can change the world because it can change people."  
~ Theodore Roosevelt*

It's been a very cold week with temperatures down to below -20°! We hope this is the worst of it! Please remind students to wear warm clothing, have a change of clothes (in the primary grades) and have indoor shoes. Lunchtime programs that begin this week will definitely keep many of our students busy during the lunch break.

This is also a busy time for Grade 8s as they prepare for high school. There will be several open houses so be sure to visit the ones you are interested in. For more information about high school, please contact Ms. Angheloni @ [bianca.angheloni@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:bianca.angheloni@tdsb.on.ca).

Kindergarten registration will also be taking place soon. We look forward to welcoming our new parents. Thank you Bessborough parents for welcoming our new parents to the school community.

~ Ms. Broderick and Ms. Rosenbloom

### Days of Significance (2015)

#### January:

18 World Religion Day\* (Baha'i)  
19 Martin Luther King Jr. Day (US)  
21-25 No Name Calling Week  
27 International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust (UN)

#### February 2015: African Heritage Month

3 Setsubun-sai\*\* (Shinto)  
6 International Day of Zero-Tolerance on Female Genital Cutting/Mutilation (WHO)  
9-13 Sexual and Reproductive Health Awareness Week  
16 Family Day (Public Holiday)

# Upcoming Grade 6 Open House Houses

Please see the attachments for the following open houses.

For other upcoming Grade 6 Open Houses, please visit TDSB Elementary, select School Choices and then Elementary Alternative

## January 14

*Horizon Alternative School*

Parent Session: 6:20pm

## January 20

*High Park Alternative School*

Parent Session: 6:00pm – 7:00 pm

## January 22

*Equinox Holistic Alternative School*

Parent Session: Contact the school for an appointment 416.393.8274

## January 28

*Davisville Public School/Spectrum Alternative School*

Parent Sessions: 6:00pm, 6:45 pm, & 7:30 pm



# Upcoming Secondary School Information Nights

## January 13

*North Toronto:*

Parent Session: 6:30pm

## January 15:

*Northern SS*

Parent Session: 6:00pm

## February 6:

*Leaside HS – School Gr. 8 Student School Visit.*

### AGENDA

- Students arrive at Leaside's library for 1:00 p.m.

1:00 – 1:05 – Introductions in the library

1:05 – 1:40 – School tours with our student volunteers

1:40 – 2:10 – Q & A, Course selection sheets, etc.

2:15 – 3:00 – Battle of the Bands assembly – Students dismissed from auditorium



For more information, please contact [bianca.angheloni@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:bianca.angheloni@tdsb.on.ca).

# IMPROVING SAFETY IN OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITIES - TDSB

Please see attachment in the email for more information.

## **You are invited to one of the following Safe Schools and Engaged Communities Forum**

**Date :** 13 January 2015

**Where :** David and Mary Thomson CI

**Address :** 2740 Lawrence Ave E, Scarborough, ON

**Time :** 6:30-8:30 pm

**Date :** 15 January 2015

**Where :** Thistletown CI

**Address :** 20 Fordwich Cres, Etobicoke, ON

**Time :** 6:30-8:30 pm



## Wonders of Winter Photography Contest:

An exciting photo opportunity for students.

- limit - 1 photo per student
- drop off photo to Ms. Thurow's classroom or
- e-mail it to: [bessboroughstudentcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:bessboroughstudentcouncil@gmail.com)
- no human faces allowed in photos
- all submissions due by January 15/15



# Winter Session Lunch Time Programs:

Just a reminder that the lunch programs start this week. Please make sure your child brings a lunch to school if they normally go home.

The following rooms will be used to host the activities:

## MONDAY

Painting and Sketching – Grades 1 to 6 **Rm 31 (Webster)**

Icky, Sticky, Yucky – JK/SK **Rm 6 (Phillips)**

Knitting – Grades 4 to 6 **Rm 19 (Pornaras)**

Lego Animation – Grades 4 to 6 **Rm 30 (Shizas)**

Primary STEM – Grades 3 to 6 **Rm 5 (Wong)**



## MONDAY AFTER SCHOOL (3:40-4:40)

Chess – Grades 1 to 6 **Rm 1 (Mendoza)**

## TUESDAY

Pawsitively Pets – Grades 3 to 6 **Rm 14 (Thurrow)**

Dinosaur-Us! – Grades 1 to 3 **Rm 12 (Pantopoulos)**

Crime Scene Investigation – Grades 4-6 **Rm 11 (MacAulay)**

Junior STEM – Grades 4 to 6 **Rm 15 (Casey)**

## TUESDAY AFTER SCHOOL (3:40-4:30)

Primary STEM – Grades 3 to 6 **Rm 5 (Wong)**

## WEDNESDAY

Ukulele Kids – Grades 1 to 3 **Rm 5 (Wong)**

Ukulele Kids – Grades 4 to 6 **Rm 11 (MacAulay)**

Puppet Making – JK/SK **Rm 6 (Phillips)**

## THURSDAY

Pawsitively Pets – JK/SK **Rm 6 (Phillips)**

Pawsitively Pets – Grades 1 to 2 **Rm 12 (Pantopoulos)**

Lego Adventures – Grades 1 to 3 **Rm 9 (Gamm)**

Cartooning – Grades 2-6 **Rm 12 (Pantopoulos)**

## FRIDAY

Cabaret! – Grades 4 to 6 **Rm 19 (Pornaras)**

Hip Hop - Grades 2 to 6 **Rm 9 (Gamm)**

Mad Science A – Grades 1 to 3 **Rm 25 (Ludin)**

Mad Science B– Grades 1 to 3 **Rm 30 (Shizas)**

Mad Science C– Kindergarten **Rm 6 (Phillips)**

Mad Science D – Kindergarten **Rm 05 (Wong)**

## Boys to Men Club:

We will be hosting our first Boys to Men Club meeting this **Wed, Jan 14th at 3:30pm** in Rm 15. Our first session is going to be a social where the lads can relax and perhaps have a mini FIFA tournament on my promethean board. We will also be discussing our goals for the club and how they would like it to proceed. My goal is to create a safe environment where lads can interact with each other and I hope to have group discussions where we discuss things that matter to them in their own lives. We will have a mix of activities so that the lads are engaged eg. we might have a group chat about dealing with stress, then go to the gym and shoot some hoops. Further down the line, we would like to have the lads organizing school events and activities to show their leadership.

For more information, contact [neil.casey@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:neil.casey@tdsb.on.ca).



## Raising Healthy Kids in an Age of Overindulgence

Rippleton P.S. and Norman Ingram P.S. with their parent councils are co-hosting Dr. Karyn Gordon on **Tuesday February 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at Windfields J.H.S.** This event is funded through the PRO Grant and the parent council.

The attached flyer has all of the details for the event.



## Dress Warm!

Remember the ice storm? Well we will have many very cold days coming up soon. Please make sure your child comes to school dressed appropriately for the winter. All students well enough to come to school will be well enough to be outside for recess.



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***Thank you and have a awesome week!***