



# Bessborough Bulletin



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## November:

- 24 - Day 4
  - Student Techie meeting @ lunch
- 25 - Girls Movement Breakfast@8: 15 am
  - Library Ambassadors meeting @ lunch
- 26 - Gr 5/6 Girls Basketball Tournament @ Bedford (PM)
- 27 - Pizza Lunch
  - Scientist in the School (Gr 7)
  - Artist visit - (am) Gr 2 Aitken / (pm) K Willoughby
  - Me to We meeting @ lunch
- 28 - Crazy Hair Day (Spirit Day)
  - Scientist in the School (pm) – Gr 5 MacAulay

## December:

- 1 - TUS Trip – Gr 5 MacAulay
- 2 - Ripley's Aquarium (Gr 6-8)
  - Library Ambassadors & Literacy Leaders – Library @ lunch
- 3 - Science Centre Trip (K-1)
- 4 - Artist visit - (am) Gr 2 Buksner / (pm) K Phillips

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## Week of November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2014

### A Message from the Administrative team:

*"You must be the change you wish to see in the world."  
~ Mahatma Gandhi*

Wow! What an incredible week with Primary STEM starting. There was a full room of students testing, trying and making their own hypothesis. We also had Second City who led improve workshops for grades 6-8. A great way to bring the actor in them out!

We are also beginning to plan our Gr 8 overnight trip. More information to come on this!

Winter is here and some days can get very cold. Please ensure students have the proper clothing to stay warm during recess. Students who are well enough to be at school are well enough to play outside.

If you have any questions or concerns or would just like to chat, please feel free to contact us here at school.

~ Ms. Broderick and Ms. Rosenbloom

### Days of Significance (2014)

**November:** Aboriginal Education Month

25 International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women (UN)

**December:**

1 World AIDS Day (UN)

2 International Day of the Abolition of Slavery (UN)

3 International Day of Persons with Disabilities (UN)

8 National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women (UN)

10 Human Rights Day (UN)





## Teacher Appreciation

We would like to thank **Home & School** for the yummy treats and coffee for staff last week. Staff really appreciates the thought especially after report cards and interviews. It was a great way to refuel during the recess breaks! THANK YOU!!

## Indoor Shoes & Clothing:

Winter has arrived and with it comes wet shoes and boots. For the safety of all students we cannot allow wet shoes and boots into the gym. We also want to help keep our carpets and floors clean during this winter season.

Please ensure your child has a dry pair of indoor shoes they can keep at school. It is also recommended to bring an extra pair of socks for those really wet days.



## Family Math Kits are in!

The family math kits have arrived and will be sent home with your child on Monday for those who have ordered them at the Parent Math Night session.

Those still interested in purchasing a kit can order one through Spectrum at (905) 898-0031 or quoting Family Math kit #KK205260

## Safety at lunch

Lunchroom supervisors are noticing some students bringing lunch items that contain nuts. Please check the labels of the food items to ensure that food is nut-free. We do have several students who are highly allergic and we would like to ensure students are not exposed to it.

To ensure that there are no extra adults in the school yard during the school day, any adults dropping off students at lunch are welcome to stay between 12:35 pm - 12:50 pm until the first entry bell when students enter the building.

Thank you for your cooperation in making our school a safer place for all the students.







## Technology at School

As we are acquiring technology for our programs at school we are still encouraging students to BYOD (Bring Your Own Device). Students can use their own technology to help keep themselves organized, take notes in class or use it to explore certain websites used in class.

Please remind students of responsible use of technology in class. Students are only to use devices when it is incorporated in the class program. If it is not part of the program for the day, devices should be stored either in lockers, in their desks or a designated bin/area to store devices. This will prevent any distractions as well as keep devices safe during the school day. Inappropriate use of devices will mean a loss of privilege and removal of the device to the office during the day.



Maker Faire TO took place this past weekend at the Toronto Reference Library. It was great to see some Bessborough families there too.

One of the exhibits is Learning Labs (Kids Learning Code) and they run several after school, PA day, camp and weekend workshops for boys and girls of various ages.

If you are interested, visit their site at <http://learninglabs.org> to learn more about programs offered.

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