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Bessborough E & MS Newsletter



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Upcoming Events:

May 1-Grade 8 Grad Pictures
in the morning

May 4-Intermediate Track &
Field

May 4-Choirs Sing at Timothy
Eaton Memorial Church
@6:30 PM

May 5-Junior Track & Field

May 12-Grade 7 & 8 to
Outside Looking In
Performance

May 16-Hanna's Suitcase
Author Presentation



Arts Evening Café/Coffee House

Thank you to everyone for attending the Bessborough Café. It was an amazing turnout and students were very excited to share their projects, poetry, artwork and learning with families. It was wonderful to hear our school band and choirs perform once again in the gym. Congratulations to students and thank-you to Bessborough teachers and the Arts Committee, led by Mr. McMillan, for their work on this event.

The choirs will have another chance to perform on Thursday, May 4th at the Learning Network Choral Festival at Timothy Eaton Memorial Church. Looking forward to seeing families at this event!

Reminder Wellness Club-from Mr. Chang

Thank you again to all the Grade 7 and 8 leaders that organized and led these amazing events and to the teacher supervisors!

The third round of activities this week are:

Grades 1 and 2 will have Painting Club: Monday May 1, and May 8
Grades 3 and 4 will have Clay Pot Painting: Wednesday May 3, and May 10
Grades 5 and 6 will have Soccer: Wednesday May 3, May 10, and May 17

Grade 8 Grad Pictures Tomorrow (Monday)!

Grade 8s will have their grad pictures taken in the library tomorrow morning. Students are reminded to wear a white shirt with a collar if possible.

Sock Recycling-from Ms Thurow

Tired of those single socks sitting on the dryer waiting for a mate? Well, good news! Bessborough is taking part in our first annual sock recycling mission. From now until Monday, May 1 we are collecting clean socks to be recycled through www.smartwool.ca.

Please send in any unwanted socks with your child and we will take care of dropping them off.

★ Clean socks only (please, please, please)

★ All brands, colours, sizes, and materials welcome (we're not picky)

★ No rolled or paired socks, bags, rubber bands, paper clips (just single socks)

Deadline: Monday, May 1, 2023

Bessborough Yearbook Committee

Yearbook sales will be coming soon but we need more photos! Please submit any photos to the links below. **Deadline May.18th**

Yearbook pictures needed for the following events:

Orange Shirt Day: <https://plicbooks.ca/go/F7VY5X>

Pizza Lunches: <https://plicbooks.ca/go/XHHP8A>

Pink Shirt Day: <https://plicbooks.ca/go/VGR6U6>

Girls 7/8 Soccer: <https://plicbooks.ca/go/XDLKPX>

Grade 6 trip to Sheldon: <https://plicbooks.ca/go/19FE8Q>

Art Work: <https://plicbooks.ca/go/UGRN4W>

JK/SK photos: <https://plicbooks.ca/go/48NAV4>

Track & Field <https://plicbooks.ca/go/VX17Z6>

Bessborough School Spirit & fun photos <https://plicbooks.ca/go/LQDA92>

Upcoming May Fair: May 27th: <https://plicbooks.ca/go/N3JHL2> **(accepting photos on May 28th)**

Thank you, from yearbook committee!

Elementary Summer School 2023

The focus of the 2023 Elementary Literacy and Numeracy Summer School Program is to continue student engagement through the month of July. Programs, embedded in Literacy and Numeracy, are developed by the local summer school principal to reflect the local school focus.

Programs are offered in-person to students in K to Grade 8, from July 4 to July 28, 2023. This year, one remote program will also be available.

More information can be found on the TDSB website [here](#).

Kindergarten Registration Continues

Registration for English Kindergarten programs begins in February (**see below for information about the Early French Immersion program*). **We look forward to welcoming you and your child! You may choose to register using the online registration system or by booking a face-to-face meeting directly with your school.**

- Only parents or legal guardians can register a child.
- There is a separate process to apply for [out-of-area admissions](#). Please contact [alternative schools](#) or [elementary academies](#) directly for more information about requirements and the registration process.

For more information go to: <https://www.tdsb.on.ca/EarlyYears/KindergartenMonthp>

Trustee Chernos Lin's Ward 11 Webpage

All families can visit Trustee Chernos Lin's Ward 11 [webpage](#) and sign up to receive her Newsletter.

tdsb.on.ca





Silent Auction Donations Needed

We are getting ready for Mayfair on Saturday May 27, 2023 and need your help!

The Mayfair Silent Auction raises close to \$5,000 each year. Do you, or your friends and family, have any items that you could donate to our silent auction? Gift cards, baskets, experiences, or sports tickets are all welcome.

All the funds raised from the Silent Auction go directly towards enhancing the learning experience at Bessborough. This includes the purchase of items such as classroom technology, enhanced art programs, science equipment, book programs, as well as outdoor learning initiatives. Please email alison.steinman@gmail.com and/or jefferyandrea@hotmail.com with your ideas and donations. Thank you!

MAYFAIR - May 27

Just a reminder to Save the date for our annual fun fair, May 27 from 11AM - 4PM.

KILOMETRE CLUB- VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for a couple of volunteers to run the much-loved Kilometre Club. This annual event takes place in June for one week, running daily between 8:00-8:30am. Students run laps around the school field and collect a popsicle stick for every lap completed. Once the students have completed the run, they exchange their popsicle sticks for a charm for their shoelace, eventually collecting all 5 if they attend every day. We would love to see as many parents as possible to help run the event, but at this time, we are just looking for 1 or 2 people to coordinate it.

If you are interested, please email bessboroughschoolcouncil@gmail.com

PLANTABLES

Spring is finally in the air and it's time to start planning for spring plantings! Bessborough has partnered with Plantables.ca this year to help our community *get growing* and to raise money

for the school. For every purchase made with the code "**BESSBOROUGH**" 10% of sales will go directly to our school council which funds a myriad of great things each year to improve the school life of our kids.

How it works

1. Visit [Plantables.ca](https://plantables.ca)
2. Pick Your Plants and use the code: **BESSBOROUGH**
3. Choose your delivery week
4. Plants are delivered to your door!

Please contact Rachel Gordon at rkingston00@gmail.com with any questions.

SPRING STREET CRAWL - June 3

We are so pleased to bring back the Bessborough Street crawl! This is a parent/caregiver event that will take place in the evening of June 3. Save the date! More information including how to buy tickets will come shortly.

100 YEAR COMMITTEE

As you know we are celebrating 100 years at Bessborough in 2023. We have formed a committee to plan a Fall event for the community and need volunteers! Please contact Andrea Bee at bee.andreaellen@gmail.com if you are interested in participating.

Appreciation Corner

A big thank you to all those that attended Bessborough's first-ever Trivia Night! It was a huge turnout, and we were thrilled to feel such a strong community vibe.



May 27 - Mayfair

June 3 - Street Crawl

June 26 - Grade 8 Graduation



Bessborough School Council is on Insta! @bessboroughschoolcouncil