

Bessborough E & MS Newsletter



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Upcoming Events:

- December 19-Boys' Grade 5/6 Volleyball at Don Mills MS
- December 19 Kindie Concert 2:45 pm and Grade 1-6 Evening concert
- December 20-Vaccine Clinic at Bessborough
- December 21-Ms Hicks' Class to Nathan Phillips Square
- December 26-January 6-Winter Break (No School)
- January 13-PA Day (No School)



Winter Concerts-December 19

The kindergartens will be having their concert tomorrow in the gym beginning at 2:45 pm. Entrance into the school will be 2:30 pm through the gym doors that are near the staff parking lot.

Tomorrow evening is the concert for grades 1-6 as well as the middle school band and choir. Please drop your child off to their teacher in their classroom at **6:10 pm**. Band and choir will go to the music room. Staff and student greeters will help to direct families and students to classrooms. Families who are staying for the evening concert will go to the gym after dropping off their child and will pick-up their child from their classroom at the end of the concert. **Families who are not staying for the evening concert are asked to pick-up their child at 7:20 pm, again from their child's classroom.** We are asking all families to consider wearing a mask to these concerts as recommended by public health.

A huge thank-you to Bessborough staff for their efforts in making these concerts possible, especially with the change in date for the evening concert due to last week's storm!



Hot Lunch Sign-Up

The Bessborough page is all set up and online for next term's orders (January 10-March 30) - here is the link to sign your child up for hot lunches

[BESSBOROUGH HOT LUNCH SIGN UP LINK WINTER TERM \(Jan - March\)](#)



*Thank you for
your generosity,
Bessborough!*



The Student Engagement Committee raised \$ 1, 900.45 from the Bessborough Café and collected \$345 in gift cards, which will be donated to Covenant House, Toronto. A large amount of new toys were donated last week and will be delivered this Wednesday to the Red Door Family Shelter. Thank you to all the students and teachers who worked so hard to organize these campaigns. Thank YOU, Bessborough, for your immense generosity! Happy Holidays!



Grade 7/8 Girls' Basketball Team Champions!

Congratulations to the Grade 7/8 Girls' Basketball team and coaches Ms. Hum and Ms. Malouin on winning their tournament at the conference finals at Woodbine Middle School this past week. Well done team!!



Resources for Grade 8 to 9: Preparing for High School

Further Resources for Families for Grade 8 to 9 Information:

- Attend the [Secondary School Open Houses and Information Nights](#)
- Research [Secondary Central Programs and Schools](#), [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)

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.



Lost and Found

Missing a water bottle or perhaps a favourite sweatshirt?

Please take a look at the link to see if you recognize any of these items. All unclaimed items will be donated before the break so please contact the Front Office asap.

https://drive.google.com/file/d/19DZgu6giw-dtNHbY5pBAzxoPtjiuegfu/view?usp=share_link

Sub Lunch

Sub Lunch will be returning in the new year! Details on how to sign up will be coming next week.

Appreciation

Thank you to the amazing Bessborough staff who coached the various sports teams this fall! It is amazing for the kids to be able to participate in these activities again and we appreciate the time you have dedicated to make this possible.



Bessborough School Council is on Insta! @bessboroughschoolcouncil