## Toronto District School Board

### Bessborough Elementary & Middle School

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Principal: Janet Bambrick Vice Principal: Lynette Bacon

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#### **Upcoming Events:**

• March 6-African and Chinese Heritage Assembly

•March 7-Afro-Cuban Brazilian Drumming Performs

March 13-17-MARCH BREAK No School.

March 20-Grade 5/6 Hockey Tournament

March 27-Grade 7/8 Hockey Tournament

March 28-Scientists in the School for Kindies

March 29-Pizza Lunch

# **Bessborough E & MS Newsletter**



### **Grade 6 Overnight Trip to Sheldon**

On **Monday March 6th from 6pm - 6:30 pm** Mr. Ivan and Ms. Warshafsky will be hosting a parent/guardian information night on Zoom for anyone who would like to attend. Please use this Zoom link in order to attend the meeting.

https://tdsb-ca.zoom.us/j/96902543973?pwd=aTFLTEwvZVZENUFHY2hkcm9TV1ZSUT09

Meeting ID: 969 0254 3973 Passcode: 515244

**The following items need to be completed in order for your child to attend Sheldon.** We ask that everything is completed and returned by no later than <u>Tuesday March 7th.</u> 1. EMA permission form must be completed.

2. Payment to Cash Online.

3. Paper medical form must be completed with up to date information.

4. Complete this <u>Google Form</u>. This form is a summary of information necessary for teachers. There is also a section for students to choose three options to room with. We will do our best to accommodate the requests.

### **Bessborough Wellness Club**

### From Mr. Chang and Ms. Buksner

This will be the last week for the first rotation of Wellness Club activities.

Wednesday March 8: the Bracelet Making Club, and the Volley Club will meet at lunch

Friday March 10: the Perler Bead Club will meet at lunch

Special thank you to the grade 7 and 8 students (Eva, Paige, Amelia, Zoe, Rumble, Nesta, Sam, Sienna, Kiki, Mandy, Lauren, Ella, Gracie, Olivia, Tessa, Erica, Chloe, Alize, Abby, Jordan, and Kaleigh) for helping to teach our primary and junior students a new activity!

### **100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary-Looking for Committee Members**

Did you know that Bessborough is celebrating its 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this year? Bessborough was the first school to be opened in Leaside and originally opened in December 1923. The original school building consisted of 4 classrooms and, also, housed municipal offices in the basement. We are looking for members of our school community who would like to join the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee to help commemorate this special anniversary. Please contact Parent Council Chair, Andrea Bee <u>bee.andreaellen@gmail.com</u> or Principal, Janet Bambrick <u>janet.bambrick@tdsb.on.ca</u>.

### **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 <u>out-of-area admissions</u>. Please contact <u>alternative</u> <u>schools</u> or <u>elementary academies</u> directly for more information about requirements and the registration process.

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

### March is Greek Heritage Month

The Toronto District School Board is proud to recognize Greek Heritage Month (GHM) during the month of March.

### **Trustee Chernos Lin's Ward 11 Webpage**

All families can visit Trustee Chernos Lin's Ward 11 <u>webpage</u> and sign up to receive her Newsletter. The theme for this year is based on TDSB's priorities: Joy, Engagement, Belonging. Quotes from Greek philosophers related to the theme will be read on the daily announcements.







### Tis the season 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
- 2. Pick Your Plants and use the code: BESSBOROUGH
- 3. Choose your delivery week
- 4. Plants are delivered to your door!

Contact: any questions, please reach out to Rachel at rkingston00@gmail.com

#### https://plantables.ca/for/bessborough

#### **100 Years of Bessborough!**

This year marks Bessborough school's 100th year. We are looking for members to join the 100 year celebration committee. This group will oversee ways that we can highlight this milestone this year.Please email <u>bessboroughschoolcouncil@gmail.com</u> if you are interested in joining.

### Grade 8 Graduation - PLEASE NOTE THERE IS A DATE CHANGE - NOW TO BE HELD ON June 26th 2023

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered so far. We'd love 1 or 2 more people to join the committee!



There are various roles, all well-documented from past volunteers with last year's committee members here to share information and guide. Please contact <u>bessboroughschoolcouncil@gmail.com</u> for more info and to lend a hand.



#### March 29 - Pizza lunch



Bessborough School Council is on Insta! @bessboroughschoolcouncil