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Friday, May 21, 2021

Next Week@ Birchmount Park Collegiate Institute

Monday May 24	Tuesday May 25	Wednesday May 26	Thursday May 27	Friday May 28
HOLIDAY	Day 2 Term 2 Starts (Civics and Careers)	Day 3 Financial literacy workshops (grade 11 & 12) See Guidance	Day 4 BEAP Presentation 7pm Gr 12 Memory book Photo submission	Day 1 OUAC deadline to accept offer (June 1)

Important Dates: <u>Click here for TDSB important dates in Secondary School</u>

Student Council 2021-22



Campaign Begins Election Day Monday May 24th-June 4th Friday June 4th

From the Desk of the Principal

Vaccine Clinic at Birchmount Park CI Wed. May 26, 2021

Michael Garron Hospital will be hosting another vaccination clinic at **Birchmount Collegiate Institute on Wednesday May 26. The clinic will run from 3 pm until vaccine supply runs out**. The clinic will be open to your students who are **12 years old** and above and their families. Please see the attached flyers for details.

As eligibility expands to include 12-17 year olds in Ontario's vaccine rollout, Michael Garron Hospital (MGH) is hosting a **Town Hall on the COVID-19 Vaccine for Students and Families at East Toronto Schools** to empower you with the information you need to make confident, educated decisions about the vaccine.

The virtual town hall takes place on Tuesday (May 25) from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. It is open to ALL students and families at schools in East Toronto hosting upcoming school-based vaccine clinics. During the call, Dr. Janine McCready, infectious diseases physician at MGH, will share the latest updates on the COVID-19 vaccine and answer your vaccine-related questions in real-time.

We invite you to attend the call using the following meeting details. We encourage you to ask vaccine-related questions during the meeting. You may also send your questions in advance to Jonah.Chevrier@tehn.ca with the subject line "Town Hall".

How to Join the Town Hall on the COVID-19 Vaccine with Dr. Janine McCready on Tuesday, May 25 from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Open to ALL students and families at schools in East Toronto hosting upcoming school-based vaccine clinics.

Zoom: https://tehn.zoom.us/j/61448806755?pwd=TW90RytYek9ob1ZaTmRaTXdaNmk4UT09

 Webinar ID: 614 4880 6755
 Enter the password: 758381

 For audio only, call in to the Town Hall by telephone or mobile:
 Dial: 1 647 375 2970

 Meeting ID: 614 4880 6755
 Participant ID: Press pound (#)
 Meeting Passcode: 758381#

 Also included is an information sheet on the Pfizer vaccine.
 Image: Comparison of the prizer vaccine information sheet on the Pfizer vaccine.

Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine – Youth age 12 to 17 May 18, 2021

COVID-19 in Children and Youth

<u>Click here for fact sheet Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine – Youth age 12 to 17</u>

School Council presents.....

Charmaine Lane, Registered Psychotherapist

Charmaine was our Keynote speaker discussing Racial Trauma on Tuesday. She started with an emotional video where children discussed their Racial Trauma and then explained how experiences and environment can frame a person's mental state. This pain, if left untreated, can manifest into behaviours that can be misdiagnosed.

How do we as parents support our children?

Where do we as parents go for support?

What does a parent do when they are faced with a teacher or principal that treats our child as the problem?

Please join us to continue this very important conversation which will give parents the tools and confidence to be there for their child.

Tuesday May 25th from 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm <u>http://bit.ly/RacializedTrauma</u>

Career Chats

The first **Career Chat** last week was a success and will continue to run **every Friday until June 4 at 1pm**. High Fives to the student interviewers and congrats to the prize winners. Today's presentation featured a paramedic and dentist and on **May 28**th we will have a crisis intervention worker and an accountant.

Tell your kids to save the link for all future Career Chats <u>http://bit.ly/CareerChatBPCI</u>



Click here for Birchmount Park School Council Facebook Link

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Learn more at ethp.ca

Pop-up COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic

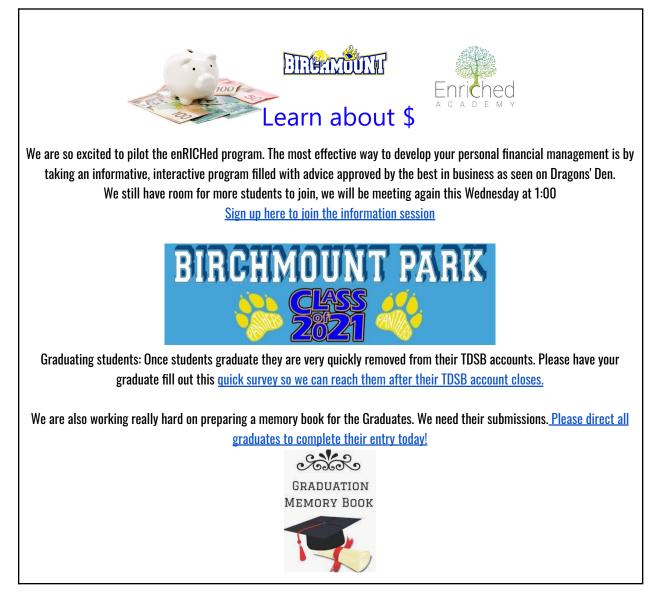
Individuals 12+ who are students or immediate family members of students at BIRCHMOUNT COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE, BIRCH CLIFF HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL, J.G. WORKMAN PUBLIC SCHOOL, CLIFFSIDE PUBLIC SCHOOL, IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL AND BIRCH CLIFF PUBLIC SCHOOL

Individuals must be 12 years of age or older at the time of vaccination.

	Wednesday, May 26 (~500 doses available) Open 3 p.m. until vaccine supply runs out. First doses only. Pfizer will be administered.
*	Drop-ins welcome. No appointments required. Individuals who do not fit the indicated eligibility will be turned away to ensure there are enough vaccines for eligible individuals.
	Students of indicated schools: Bring health card and ID or document that proves you attend the school, such as student ID, report card, school letter or email.
	Other eligible populations: Bring health card and proof of address, such as driver's license, bank statement or utility bill.
	(Health card not required if you do not have one.)
Ĩ	Seniors, individuals with mobility impairments and people with young children will be provided accommodations when visiting our clinics. This may include: separate clinic entrance, expedited line, elevator access and/or a sit-and-stay experience.
	If you require assistance, please self-identify yourself to one of our staff members, to ensure we provide you with the proper accommodations.

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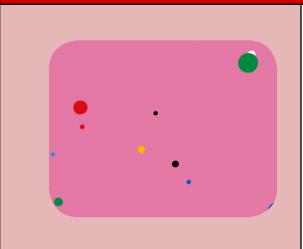
Guidance Corner



BPCI Library

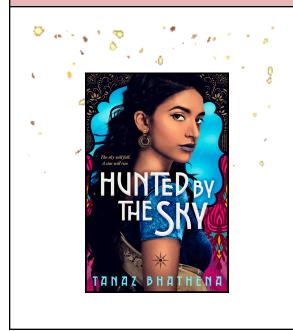
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WHITE PINE AWARD WINNER!





At BPCI the Library and Learning Commons is pleased to run the Forest of Reading. The <u>White</u> <u>Pine Award</u> is one of the annual Forest of Reading awards sponsored by the Ontario Library Association. Every year, 10 books are nominated for the award and students vote for their favourite book.



This year's winner is.....

HUNTED BY THE SKY by Tanaz Bhathena

This year there were so many amazing nominees. Last month we cast our ballots and are thrilled to see that our book clubs's unanimous favourite *Hunted by the Sky* is this year's winner!

BPCI's White Pine Book Club has been meeting every two weeks since November, and reading a lot of books. I am so proud of them!

Congratulations everyone!

BEAP News

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Our BEAP Nutrition Lecture for the month of May will take place next Thur, May 27th @ 7:00 pm. Kyle Byron will be presenting on food labels. The lecture is entitled, "Don't Assume You Know How To Read A Food Label B/c I See Really Smart People Do It Wrong". Check your emails for the link!

Former BEAP student and **Olympian Crispin Duenas** has been featured in *Professionally Speaking* as one of "Three Olympic hopefuls bring lessons of perseverance, patience and resilience into their classrooms."

Check the link here:

https://www.oct.ca/publications/professionally_speaking/2021-06/2021-06-Feature-Story-1-PS .asp

Student Success and Gifted

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Our B.P.C.I.'s Black Student Association (B.S.A.) hosted a workshop to discuss Racial Trauma with Psychotherapist Charmaine Lane. Approximately two dozen staff and students participated in the workshop where we discussed topics like: microaggressions, microassaults, and microinvalidations. We learned that the impacts of these actions are actually forms of violence against specific groups of people. We also explored the topic of Anti-Black Racism and the direct negative impacts that it has as a tool to encourage exclusion. I am confident when I state that participants benefitted from the ideas and experiences shared by Ms. Lane as well as by one another.

Last week's Career Chat was AMAZING! I would like to shout out Brandon Jahoor and Emmanuel Morgan for their investments of time, interest, and dedication in order to ensure a smooth and meaningful chat. These two young men were composed and professional chat facilitators. Thanks gentlemen! We will be continuing to deliver our Career Chats for the next two Fridays - May 28 and June 4. If you are a student interested in facilitating one of these chats please connect with Mr. P. You can earn some community hours as well!

Teacher Quote of the Week

"While we teach our children all about life, our children teach us what life is all about" Angela Schwindt