BOWMORE RD BULLETIN

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Dear Families and Guardians,

We are very excited to announce that Mr. Kosta Flegas is back at Bowmore effective Monday June 3, 2024 and we thank Ms. McLean for her support during his absence. As we enter the month of June we honour and celebrate Indigenous Peoples. We are very excited to be hosting for the first time the 2024 TDSB Inaugural Lacrosse tournament in partnership with the UIEC and the Toronto Police Lacrosse Club. Did you know that Lacrosse was invented by the First nations - Haudenosaunee it was called "tewaarton". This week our Grade 3 and 6 English and French students will be writing the EQAO tests from June 4-6, 2024. And a reminder that we have a PA day on Friday June 7, 2024.

Sincerely,

Georgia, Jacquie, Kosta

Staff Appreciation

It is coming to the end of the school year and members of the Bowmore community are organizing a way to show our Bowmore staff how grateful we are for the work they do.

Please show your appreciation by writing a short message (1-3 sentences) to Bowmore staff. All the notes will be shared with all staff. Messages will be anonymous and do not have to be addressed to any specific staff member. We are asking all families to participate and you may contribute as many messages as you like.

We hope to reach our goal of 1000 kind messages to share with the 100+ staff that work at Bowmore including office staff, teachers, specialty teachers, support staff, lunchroom supervisors, caretaking and others.

Please have your messages submitted by Monday June 10th.

CLICK HERE TO WRITE AND SUBMIT YOUR MESSAGE

Pizza Lunch – Thursday June 6th

Final pizza lunch of the school year!

If your child is on a fieldtrip OR away on Thursday, June 6th, please do not order pizza AND/OR make sure to cancel the order by Tuesday, June 4th at 11:59 a.m. to receive a Lunchbox credit. Credits will be carried over to next year.

If you miss the deadline for cancellation, we cannot refund manually.

At our May pizza lunch, there were a number of students expecting pizza that were not on the order sheets. If an order has been placed correctly, you will receive a confirmation email at the time you order.

You can confirm you ordered correctly for June 6th by logging into Lunchbox and reviewing your order history from the top menu bar.

If you do not have a confirmation email and/or cannot see an order placed for June 6th in your account, you have not completed your order.

IMPORTANT DATES:

NOW: Place your order / double check you ordered for June 6th pizza lunch Sunday June 2nd 12:00 p.m.: Ordering closes Tuesday, June 4th at 11:59 a.m.: Last day to refund pizza lunch for a credit (if you miss it we cannot refund) **Thursday, June 6th: PIZZA LUNCH!**

For issues with setting up your child profile/ ordering / cancellation help, Call Lunchbox support Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. 1.877.426.6860 The office is not able to support.

A refresher on how to register for Lunchbox / access your account can be found on May 10th Bowmore Bulletin:

https://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/bowmore/Bowmore-Bulletin/ctl/Detail/mid/225998/ItemID/1022

Fall Carnival Update

Bowmore Carnival 2024 - Thursday, September 26, 2024

Carnival is our biggest fundraising event of the school year and this year it's only getting bigger.

While it may seem far away, we are trying to lock down as much as we can before the end of June.

Carnival has many moving parts and is powered exclusively by volunteers. As such, the organizing committee is looking for YOUR support in one (or more) of the following ways! If you are able to help with any of the below, please email bowmorecarnival@gmail.com

VOLUNTEER:

There are approximately 300 volunteer hours we need to fill on carnival day alone. That's 2 weeks worth of hours in just one evening! One hour of your time can greatly impact the success of the event.

We appreciate that many parents are juggling younger kids at the carnival making volunteering sound impossible. We offer one hour shifts so the maximum number of volunteers will still have time to enjoy the event with their families. Consider buddying up with another family to trade off child minding and a volunteer shift.

DONATE:

We are in need of the following items:

- Boxes of individual snack sized bags of chips
- Freezies
- Baked goods
- Loan us some lawn games (corn hole, giant jenga, connect 4, etc)
- Funds that can be used to purchase the items above
- Items for our silent auction (i.e gift cards, sports tickets, experiences)

SPONSOR:

If you have a business or know of a business that would like to be recognized as a community sponsor we'd love to hear from you!

Do you have a skill or talent you'd like to dazzle a crowd or line-up of children with (i.e. music, juggling, comedy, magic. etc)?

Again, we are trying to lock down as much as we can before the end of June. If you are able to help with any of the above please email bowmorecarnival@gmail.com

The Carnival Committee.



Mark your calendars!

Tuesday June 11th 2024 will be our last Parent Council Meeting.

Our Jump Rope for Heart day is Friday June 14th, 2024.

Library Updates

The Used Book Sale is next week, June 11- June 14th. Thank you for the amazing donations of books. We will still accept donations until Thursday, June 6. of previously loved books and puzzles. All funds raised will go directly back to the library. This event will be CASH only and the hours will be 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Tuesday, June 11-Friday June 14th. If you are interested in volunteering during this event, please contact Leah Jarvis at leah.mcnabjarvis@tdsb.on.ca.

At this time, please encourage your child/ren to return all library books. June 6th will be the last day for students to check out books. We would love all books to be returned the week of June 17th.

Thank you for your continued support. Leah Jarvis

Kindergarten News

Kindergarten graduation for French Immersion classrooms will occur on Friday June 14th, 2024 at 9:40 am to 10:20 am at the Kindergarten playscape park. Should weather conditions change, the ceremony will happen in the Junior Gym.

Italian Heritage Month: Video Submission - Sharing of Special Memories / Traditions

During the month of June Italian Heritage Month is proudly recognized at the Toronto District School Board (TDSB) by our students, staff and TDSB community since a motion was passed by the Board of Trustees on May 16, 2012. The Province of Ontario has also held celebrations in honour of Italian Heritage Month since 2010 with the royal assent of the Italian Heritage Month Act, https://www.ontario.ca/laws/statute/10i17.

This year's selected theme for Italian Heritage Month is Sharing Our Stories and Embracing Our Future / Condividere le nostre storie e abbracciare il nostro futuro. We are excited to share the many stories from Italian ancestors whose contributions helped shape our Canadian cultural mosaic. Italian stories and traditions reaffirm identity and connect us to one another. These stories allow us to walk for a moment in someone else's shoes, to see ourselves in others. Stories unite future generations while they evolve and create new customs and traditions for us to embrace. Together, the past, present and future will redefine what it means to be an Italian-Canadian.

Seniors Month is also celebrated across Ontario throughout June, and with this lens in mind combined with our theme of Sharing Our Stories and Embracing Our Future/Condividere le nostre storie e abbracciare il nostro futuro we're inviting all our TDSB students to submit a 2-minute video that:

- Expresses a special memory you have of your nonna/nonno (grandmother/grandfather) or an elder caregiver or
- Shares a tradition that you learned from your nonna/nonno (grandmother/grandfather) or an elder caregiver

Deadline: Friday, June 7, 2024 @ 5:00 pm

Please see the attached document for all details including eligibility, criteria, etc.

We look forward to your submissions!

Should more informations be required, please contact Jessica Dalinda (jessica.dalinda@tdsb.on.ca) or Simona Emiliani (simona.emiliani@tdsb.on.ca)

.Nutrition Program - Week of June 3rd

Mon - Pretzel Tues - Cheese, Pita Bread Wednesday - Banana Oat Bars, Banana/Tangerines Thursday - Yogurt, Apples Friday - PA DAY

Week at a glance - June 3rd-June 7th

Monday, June 3rd - Day 9 <u>Italian</u> & <u>Portuguese-Speaking</u> Heritage Month <u>National Indigenous History</u> Month

• (9:00 am): Jr. 5/6 Co-Ed Ultimate Conference Finals

- Rugby Tournament @ Bowmore field (all day)
- (11:45 am): YEP grade 8 students
- (3:45 pm): Jr. Girls Slo-Pitch practice
- Days of Significance: Intergenerational Day, Pride Month begins all month

Tuesday, June 4th - Day 10

- EQAO Grade 3 & 6 testing
- (8:00 am): Jr Girls Slo-Pitch Practice
- (11:45 am): YEP grade 7 students working on questioning with Grade ½ students
- (12 pm): Grade 6 Ultimate Frisbee Practice
- (3:45 pm): Gr. 8 CoEd badminton Team practice

Wednesday, June 5th - Day 1

- EQAO Grade 3 & 6 testing
- Track and Field Event
- (12:00 pm): Junior Choir
- (3:45 pm) Junior and Intermediate Lacrosse Practice
- Days of Significance: World Environment Day

Thursday, June 6th - Day 2

- EQAO Grade 3 & 6 testing
- Cricket Tournament
- Grade ⁷/₈ Baseball Game
- (8:15 am): Concert Band
- (12 pm): Grade 6 Ultimate Frisbee Practice
- QSA lunch

Friday, June 7th

• P.A. Day - There will be no classes.