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(Grades JK - 08)

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## May 2017

### *Principal's Message*

Dear Bowmore Families,

May is like a tornado! You hold on until it is over and then hopefully walk out alive!

As we move into spring (My how time flies!) and toward the end of term two, please continue with the structure at home as these are the most important final two months of school. We continue to remind students to read on a daily basis, to complete any unfinished work and to always work hard while at school. **Thank you** for continually supporting your child(ren) and the staff at Bowmore.

As usual, the calendar of May is full! We begin the month of May with our **Living and Learning Week** celebrations. During this week, come out and walk through the halls and into various classrooms to see the wondrous displays of work or to enjoy some of the planned activities. Bike Week, a parent workshop on Resiliency, Intermediate and junior concert, JK and SK French Immersion Open Houses and Movie Night are also happening. We look forward to celebrating excellence in education and all the wonderful accomplishments of both our staff and students during this very busy month.

Bowmore is presenting this year's production of **Shrek on May 16th, 17th, 18<sup>th</sup>**. The students are working hard at rehearsals each and every week. **Thanks to all the cast and crew!** We are so very proud of all the participants. Keep up the great work and everyone is doing such a fantastic job! **Please make sure to access our 'School Cash Online' to order your tickets early.**

The month of May also brings **EQAO** (Province Wide Assessments). These assessments give teachers, schools, the TDSB and the Ontario Ministry of education one way of seeing how children in Ontario schools are learning. The best way to support your child in writing the test is by continuing to support their overall success at school. Providing additional time outdoors while the weather is good and spending time with friends and family will also help support their well-being and school success.

On Friday May 12, Bowmore will have the privilege of **hosting a small Norwegian delegation** of administrators. It is a great opportunity for us to have our visitors observe classrooms, learn about teaching strategies in the classroom, tour the school and have the opportunity to speak to our staff.

On a final note! Childhood is a special time of learning, exploring and growing. Children need to be provided a secure pathway to explore their world and experience the joy of discovery. As Alexander Graham Bell so aptly stated, “When one door closes, another opens; but we often look so long and so regretfully upon the closed door that we do not see the one which has opened for us.” In our collaboration to support children during transitions, we need to positively model, that with support, guidance, patience, and optimism, children can embrace their changing world and take advantage of new opportunities with greater confidence and understanding.

## 2017/2018 - Classroom Organization

### English

JK/SK  
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Grade 1  
Grade 1/2  
Grade 1/2  
Grade 2/3  
Grade 2/3  
Grade 3  
Grade 3/4  
Grade 4  
Grade 4  
Grade 5  
Grade 5  
Grade 6  
Grade 6  
Grade 7  
Grade 7/8  
Grade 8



### French Immersion

FI SK  
FI SK  
FI Grade 1  
FI Grade 1  
FI Grade 1/2  
FI Grade 2  
FI Grade 2/3  
FI Grade 2/3

### Extended French

EF Grade 7  
EF Grade 7  
EF Grade 8  
EF Grade 8

### Gifted

Grade 4  
Grade 5  
Grade 6  
Grade 7/8  
Grade 7/8  
Grade 8

### ParticipACTION 150 @ BOWMORE

ParticipACTION is celebrating Canada's 150<sup>th</sup> birthday by encouraging all Canadians to be active in 150 ways. Bowmore is inviting our students and families to take part in this awesome opportunity by visiting [www.participaction.com/150](http://www.participaction.com/150) to see the **Palmarès 150 Play List** and, if inclined, registering to track one's activities for a chance to win great prizes!

At Bowmore, we will be keeping track of how many of the 150 activities we participate in during the year on our ParticipACTION 150 bulletin board and on our Twitter account **@tdsb\_bowmore**. If Bowmore families care to share their





**May 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, and 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017**  
**Door Open: 6:30 pm**

It's time for Musical Theater! As you are no doubt aware, Bowmore is staging "Shrek Jr, the Musical" this year. Students from Grade Four to Grade Eight have been hard at work since September, and it's almost show time! It's going to be GREAT!

The show will be on May 16, 17 and 18. All the performances start at 7 pm, are approximately 90 minutes, and the doors open at 6:30. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students. Seats are limited, and we will be using 'School Cash Online' to purchase tickets. More info on that will be coming through the online system soon!

We hope to see you at the show!

**Sincerely**

**Bowmore Musical Team!**



## School Cash Online

Copy and paste the clip art into your next newsletter.



See link below for more information!  
<https://tdsb.schoolcashionline.com>

**Follow us on Twitter**  
**@TDSB\_Bowmore**

24% of our parent community  
are following us!  
Let's increase this to 100%

## Upcoming Movie Nights



**Friday, May 26<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm**

**Check out Bowmore  
School Council Facebook  
page for more details  
closer to the date!**

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## MAY

- 1 - Education Week (stay tuned for more info)
- 1 – 5 - Bike Week
- 1 - 5 - Scholastic Book Sale/Fundraiser
- 2 - Intermediate concert 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- 3 - JK Open House -7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- 4 - SK FI Open House – 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm
- 5 – Track and Field Meet @ Birchmount
- 9 - School Council Meeting – 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- 10 – Gifted Open House
- 11 - 26 - Dental Screening
- 11 - Parent Resiliency Workshop
- 12 - Pizza Day
- 16, 17 & 18 - School Musical “Shrek”
- 22 - Victoria Day (No School)**
- 24, 25, 26, 29 & 30 - Grade 3 & Grade 6 EQAO Testing
- 31 – Junior concert 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm

## June

- 2 – Pizza Day
- 8 – Immunization for 7/8 students
- 9 – PA Day (**No School**)
- 16 – Bowmore Carnival
- 21 – 22 Grade 8 Graduation Trip
- 26 – Grade 8 Report Cards go home
- 27 – Grade 8 Graduation (Time TBD)
- 29 – Last day of school
- 29 – JK to Grade 7 Reports go home
- 30 – PA Day (No School)**



**SUMMER IS ALMOST HERE!**



# A Parent's Guide to Resilience



A Parent's Guide to Resiliency

***An Evening Event by Bowmore PS and the  
WhyTry Organization***

**Thursday, May 11, 2017 6:45 p.m. - 7:45 p.m. Intermediate Gym**

How can parents create lasting change, resilience, and motivation in their children, particularly when times are hard or the child is resistant to your efforts? This fun, hands-on evening event will give you tools to improve your relationship with your children and create a family culture of motivation and resilience. Based on the strategies in the widely-renowned book *The Resilience Breakthrough*, you'll learn:

- Strategies to acknowledge accomplishments and build value and worth
- Tricks for creating quality time when time is in short supply
- Listening strategies that go beyond parenting
- How to turn your family into a unified force

Come connect with other parents, enjoy a night away, and enhance the way you approach your parenting.

The Bowmore Spring into Summer FUNdraiser Fair is happening...

### Save the Date:

**FRIDAY JUNE 16 from 3:00pm-7:00pm**

#### Come out & enjoy:

- An entertainment stage,
- Bake sale,
- Raffles,
- Food and activities for the whole family!

If you would like to get involved with this event to volunteer or help with sponsorship to make the day a great success, please email:

**[bowmorecarnival@gmail.com](mailto:bowmorecarnival@gmail.com)**

### **PIZZA and SUBWAY LUNCHES**

Dates as follows:

- Friday, May 12th – Pizza – **Note the change!**
- Friday, June 2nd – Pizza

**Please note: If you have more than 1 child you must submit separate forms and payment.**

### **Bike Rodeo Volunteers**

## **NEEDED**



**May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017  
10:30 am to 11:30 am**

**On Wednesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> we need parent volunteers for the following stations:**

- **Helmet fitting**
- **Safety check**
- **Starting and Stopping**

**In addition, we are looking to borrow extra bikes or scooters for the day. We truly appreciate your assistance.**

**Please contact [linda.taillefer@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:linda.taillefer@tdsb.on.ca) for info.**

### **Calling All Volunteers!**

How can you help out at Bowmore Public School? Volunteer! It's easy! Just send an email to [bowmoreesc@gmail.com](mailto:bowmoreesc@gmail.com) with your name, contact information and what you would like to do to or the skills you have to share and we will happily find something for you.

Come help us out by joining our volunteers to make a difference at Bowmore with one of our upcoming events! See you there!



### **Upcoming School Council Meeting**

**May 9th, 2017 @ 6pm**

**All are welcome!**

**Pizza & Babysitting are available!**



### **Ahchoo!**

**Quick, pass a tissue!**



We are in the midst of a long season of sniffing and runny noses and extra boxes of Kleenex would be appreciated! Please send a box or two to school with your children and they will then give them to their homeroom teachers. Thank you!