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# A Message from the Principal

Dear Lord Byng Parents, Students and Community Members,

As we continue to work through the blended online and in person learning model of our first teaching quarter of the school year, I never cease to be impressed by the adaptations and creativity that I have seen from both teachers and students as the new model of learning develops. This week I had an invitation to sit in on a Senior English, British Literature 12 class with Ms. Pitchford Young as well as had the opportunity to attend a live broadcast of our Grade 12 assembly that was presented by Ms. Radic in the school library.

Both are just two examples of what is taking place throughout the school on a daily basis and I am continuously reminded of the talent and exceptional professionalism of our staff as they work to support all of our students. As a school community we are all focused on working together to support each other throughout these unprecedented days and we all deeply value and appreciate the constant support of our parents and community members. Keeping our students safe and engaged with their social and emotional learning as a top priority has been our collective focus since March and will continue to be the case.

Just a reminder for all our students as we head into the Halloween weekend with all the Halloween magic in the air that we want you all to stay safe and to remember that fireworks and firecrackers are extremely dangerous and are prohibited from our school grounds.

Stay safe and have a happy and safe Halloween weekend with your family!

Mr. Wilmann

#### **School News**

### The dogwoods are back!

If you were at Byng in June, you will remember the 2020 Drive Through Grad as a highlight of the school year. On the front steps of the school you may have noticed two dogwood trees in pots. The trees were brought to us by the VSB Grounds Department, then were taken back to the grounds department for the summer. Last week the trees were brought back and planted on either side of the steps of the main entrance to the school.

The dogwood is of course the floral emblem of British Columbia and the Dogwood diploma the certificate of achievement for all our graduates. The trees are a wonderful way to acknowledge our school as a centre of wisdom, knowledge and learning and replace the two dying fir trees that were removed for the ceremony.





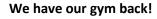
### **Outdoor Classrooms!**

Staff took advantage of the great weather to take classes outside.



Ms. Calman taking her French class outside for a book reading activity.

On Wednesday, our talented Jazz Band teacher Dr. MacLennan organized an outdoor concert for the benefit of the community!!!



Another recent highlight was the opening of our large gym and other learning spaces that had been impacted by the seismic upgrading project. Now that these learning spaces are up and running staff have been able to put them to good use. Here are just a few of the activities that took place in these areas last week:

Ms. Anderson held a "physically distanced" strings concert in the small gym!

Great work
Ms. Anderson!



And while the small gym was opened for a concert the big gymnasium was being used for a fitness challenge with the PE department using the newly renovated space to put our junior PE students through the rigor and challenge of the famous "beep test" !!!



Thanks Mr. Jack and your PE colleagues for getting our students back into shape-great work!!!!

With more space than ever now available to our PE department than we have seen since March, Ms. Pendree provided another unique opportunity for her PE class with our multi-talented students using their own talents to share and teach each other fitness and training techniques from their own areas of expertise.

One of the many talented students demonstrated their martial arts skills for their peers in the cafeteria teaching space!!!! Great work Ms. Pendree!



## **Quarterly Schedule**

Reminder that your D1(P2) class will be remote next week, and your D1(P1) class will be face to face (F2F). See rotation schedule: <u>Student F2F Rotation Calendar</u>.

#### **School Photos and GO Cards**

Click <u>here</u> to order your school photos. Please disregard the deadline. GO Cards will be handed out to students on November 4<sup>th</sup> in their 1.1 class.

Retakes will take place on Tuesday, November 17th.

# Visitors to the Building

The school building remains closed to the general public. Access by parents is by appointment only, approved directly by the Principal or Vice Principal, and for essential school business or on an emergency basis only. All other communication and business will occur via phone, virtual meeting or email.

### **Parent Resources**

Please click here for a information on Raising Digitally Responsible Youth - Guide for Families.

# **Daily Health Assessment**

Please see the revised <u>Daily Health Assessment</u> form (revised Sept. 15, 2020). If any of your children are experiencing any of the symptoms of illness on the form, contact a health-care provider for further assessment. This includes 8-1-1, or a primary care provider like a physician or nurse practitioner.



## ByngWear and GradWear are on sale now!

Please visit the website for more information. Sale ends November 10th.

### **Student Council**

Any students who would like to be a part of Lord Byng's student council please complete the <u>Application Form</u> and email back to Mr. Sandher (<u>ksandher@vsb.bc.ca</u>) by Monday, November 2nd. There are several positions available (see form for a full description of each position).

### **Student Verification Forms**

Student Verification forms were sent home in September. Please ensure you review the information on the form and indicate any changes (in coloured ink, not black). Please return the form to the office if you have not already handed it in to your teacher.

If your form has the Personal Health number field highlighted, please ensure you add it to the form as it is required for the school to have this information.

Also, if you have moved please provide a recent copy of a bill so we can update your home address in MyEdBC.

# 2019/20 Student Service Hours

This is a message for students who have accumulated school service hours from Sept 2019 to March 2020 for in-school related activities at Lord Byng.

Please complete page 35 of your school agenda book and email to Ms. Chow in the school office at <a href="mailto:vchow@vsb.bc.ca">vchow@vsb.bc.ca</a>. Also, please make sure to have the teacher signature and total calculation of hours. Due date is Friday, November 20<sup>th</sup>.

#### **School Clubs and Teams**

Any students that would like to start a club are required to find a teacher sponsor.

To join an existing club or to find out more about the club please contact the teacher sponsor.

### **Club List:**

Avolution Magazine – Mr. Harris <u>rharris@vsb.bc.ca</u> Bike Mechanics Club – Mr. Raoul <u>araoul@vsb.bc.ca</u> Climate Club – Ms. York <u>lyork@vsb.bc.ca</u>

Investment Club – Mr. Wu <u>pwu@vsb.bc.ca</u>

Korean Language and Culture Club – Ms. Shum <a href="mailto:cnshum@vsb.bc.ca">cnshum@vsb.bc.ca</a>

Leadership and Enterprise Club – Ms. Schnieder <u>kschnieder@vsb.bc.ca</u>

The Social and Environmental Change Assembly (SECA) – Mr. McKeen <a href="mailto:smckeen@vsb.bc.ca">smckeen@vsb.bc.ca</a>

Robotics Club – Mr. Gustainis <u>pgustainis@vsb.bc.ca</u>

# Advanced Placement (AP) Exams Registration and Fees

Congratulations on enrolling in an Advanced Placement Course at Lord Byng Secondary. To register for your AP exam, you must complete the following steps:

- 1. Order an AP Exam via MyAP
  - o Sign into myap.collegeboard.org
  - o Use the access codes provided by your AP teacher(s) to join your AP class section(s).
  - Under "Order Exam?" change "Undecided" to "Yes"
    - If not ordering an AP exam, change "Undecided" to "No"
  - Deadline for AP Calculus, AP Computer Science, AP English Literature and Composition, AP French Language and Culture, AP Drawing and AP 2D Art and Design: November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020
  - Deadline for AP Statistics: March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021
- 2. Pay AP Exam Fee online using the <u>vsb.schoolcashonline.com</u> system (see Lord Byng website for more information on this system)
  - o For AP Calculus, AP Computer Science, AP English Literature and Composition, AP French Language and Culture, AP Drawing and AP 2D Art and Design:
    - Payment window will be open for AP exam payment between October 19<sup>th</sup> and November 6<sup>th</sup>,
       2020
  - o For AP Statistics:
    - Payment window will be open for AP exam payment between February 15<sup>th</sup> and March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021
  - o AP Exam Fee: \$140

#### **Advanced Placement Exam Schedule**

Exam	Date	Time
AP Calculus AB	Tuesday, May 4 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 am
AP Computer Science A	Thursday, May 6 <sup>th</sup>	12:00 pm
AP English Literature and Composition	Wednesday, May 5 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 am
AP French Language and Culture	Monday, May 10 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 am
AP Statistics	Thursday, May 13 <sup>th</sup>	12:00 pm
AP Drawing	Portfolio Submission Final Deadline: Fri, May 7 <sup>th</sup> (Portfolios need to be completed before this date.)	
AP 2D Art and Design	течно протов песа то ве сотристе вејоте та	s uute.)

For students not enrolled in an AP class at Lord Byng please visit the <u>VSB website</u> for more information.

# **Lord Byng Library**

The library has had great success in getting books out to students even through these difficult times. Please encourage your child to request books to read through the entire school year as a focus on literacy is integral to learning. It is also important that students take a break from being online all the time and just read a good book. PLEASE READ!!!!

Students are encouraged to access *lordbynglibrary.weebly.com* to browse the catalogue. There is a BOOK REQUEST FORM button that allows students to enter information on how the Ms. Rezler can locate them when they are at school in order for the books to be delivered to them during that class. Additionally, there is a BOOK REQUEST FORM on the library door for students to fill out with a red folder for the drop off of the form.

Ms. Rezler is happy to help with book recommendations as well as research for assignments. Please email her if your student has any questions or would like some support from the library on their schoolwork.

## **Cross Country**

Congratulations to everyone on the Cross-Country team who participated in Virtual Meet # 1 at Jericho Beach Park on Wednesday. Surprisingly, the weather held up making the conditions ideal on the 3.5 km course and a good time was had by all. Lord Byng had a strong turnout with 25 athletes (13 boys and 12 girls). The team ran very well on the whole and there were some very outstanding performances. The next practice will be on Monday with Virtual Meet # 2 next Thursday, November 5<sup>th</sup> back at Jericho.

Cross Country Virtual Meet # 1 @ Jericho Beach Park:

<u>Girls</u>	Boys
1st-Chloe Symon (1st Junior), 13.49.50	1) Jacob De-wijze (1st Senior), 12:03.80
2nd-Ella Symon (1st Senior), 13:57.87	2) Paul Paetzel (2st. Senior), 12:20:19
3rd-Skye Higgins (2nd Senior), 14, 36.57	3) Eli Mullin (1st- Junior), 12:32:0
4th-Risa Nakamura (3rd Senior), 15:32:74	4) Zackary Mullin (3rd Senior), 12:37:37
5th-Sophia Bi (4th Senior), 15:35.88	5) Isaac Dance (2nd Junior), 12:40:25
6th-Sara Lam (2nd Junior), 17:10.69	6) Finn Coleman (4th Senior), 13:32:53
7th-Claire Tonner (3rd Junior), 17:37.95	7) Marko Radic (3nd Junior), 13:56.84
8th-Leah Fedder (5th Senior), 17:40:51	8) Aiden Liu (4th Junior), 14:43:49
9th-Lisa Dai (4th Junior), 19:38.54	9) Josh Rudd (5th Junior), 14:44:27
10th-Danielle Chu (5th Junior), 19:53.0	10) Nick Watchorn (6th Senior), 14:45:93

For more information about the Byng Cross Country Team. Please contact Mr. Jack at bjack@vsb.bc.ca

### **Terry Fox Fundraising Campaign**

So far, we have raised approximately \$3,900 for the Terry Fox fundraising campaign. Donations can still be made on-line or in person to your current quarter one teachers.

Please click <u>HERE</u> to donate and help us reach our goal of \$8000. Thank you for your supporting our school in the fight against cancer and continuing Terry's legacy! #terryfoxschoolrun @terryfoxfoundation

## **Counselling Department**

Counsellors have been assigned to students by their last name (for all grades):

A to Gr	Mr. R. Greenshields rgreenshields@vsb.bc.ca
Gs to I	Ms. I. Radic iradic@vsh bc.ca

M to Te Mr. R. Rymer <a href="mailto:rrymer@vsb.bc.ca">rrymer@vsb.bc.ca</a> (Ms. Smith is currently away)

Tf to Z Ms. Birsan <u>ibirsan@vsb.bc.ca</u>

## **Grade 12 Parent Info Night**

Counsellors are organizing a *Post-Secondary and Beyond Info Night* on Tuesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7pm. This is will be a virtual Zoom presentation. Zoom link will be emailed to all grade 11 and 12 parents on Tuesday morning.

## Team for each Grade on Microsoft TEAMS

Counsellors have set up classroom groups for each grade on Microsoft Teams platform. Students will be able to click on their respective Counselling teams, for example, grade 12s will have access to **Grade 12 - 2020/21 (Counselling) team.** Here, counsellors will post information on graduation, scholarships, post-secondary info, volunteering opportunities, etc. We hope that students check this regularly as it will contain super valuable content. Any students that are not part of their grade counselling TEAM please notify your counselor so that we can add you.

# **Language Challenge Exams**

Language Challenge Exams: Information about Language challenge exams can be found in the counselling office. Please note that students are required to fill out the forms online this year and then print out the completed forms to return to counsellors. Handwritten applications will be returned to be filled out online and then printed. The due date for the application is November 6, 2020. We are not able to take ANY late applications.

Please see Lord Byng website for all the details: Language Challenge Exams and External Credits

### **Graduation Checks**

Click here for information on graduation requirements from Mr. Wilmann.

## **Scholarships**

Dear Grade 12s,

For scholarship info please check our Teams Grade 12 Counselling group. Also, some information can be found on our school <u>website</u>.

### LB School Website

Please feel free to check out our school <u>website</u> as we have worked on streamlining it and updating it with the most current information.

#### **Grade 12 Grad Photo Session**

It is not too late to schedule an appointment for Grad Photos! Please see link for more info and to book your appointment: https://artona.com/schools/BYNG/programs/graduation

### **Byng Arts Information**

Byng Arts Student Council ELECTIONS

Congratulations to our newly elected Student Council Executive

**President: Theo Robson** 

Vice-Presidents: Megan and Sarah Wang (exact tie in votes!!!)

**Secretary/Treasurer: Camille Griffiths** 

Executive will be meeting to organize things then we will make a call for Members at Large from all the students in Byng Arts to help with our different committees. Council will be made up of several small groups focused on things like events, communication, and fund-raising for initiatives like the Canley Cup Food Bank Funding Drive. Stay tuned.

# Byng Arts - Info Page on TEAMS

Please stay tuned and use the Team site to keep up with new information for Byng Arts. If you haven't checked out the site, please do so (it can be found attached to your TEAMS page – please contact me if you do not have a link on your TEAMS page and I will add you <a href="mailto:jhartley@vsb.bc.ca">jhartley@vsb.bc.ca</a>).

# New Applicants to Byng Arts

In response to Covid-19, we are reworking our intake process, keeping what we can and coming up with new steps where necessary. Please consult our website for the most up to date information: <a href="http://byng2.vsb.bc.ca/byngarts/">http://byng2.vsb.bc.ca/byngarts/</a>
To help keep you informed, we will post a set of information videos on November 4th (this is in lieu of our Parent Info Night). Online applications will be available beginning November 9th. We will not use physical applications this year.

#### **PAC News**

**BYNG GRAD COMMITTEE NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT** - Every year, the Byng Parent Grad Committee undertakes to raise a significant amount of funding to support events and festivities to ensure a memorable Grade 12 graduation. While you might not have a child in Grade 12 we encourage you to support their efforts where you are able.

The first Grad 2021 fundraiser, the Holiday Greenery Sale is under way. This year we will be selling beautiful poinsettias in three colours (red, white and pink) gorgeous holiday wreaths, and succulent bowls. Please note, this year plants will be available for curbside pick up at a Grad Parent's home (address to be announced) NOT at Lord Byng.

To view brochure and pricing, and order: <a href="https://lordbyngsec.growingsmilesfundraising.com/home">https://lordbyngsec.growingsmilesfundraising.com/home</a> Thank you for supporting Lord Byng Grad 2021

Please connect with the Byng Parent Advisory Council at any time at lordbyngschoolpac@gmail.com

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