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Lord Byng News
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1. **Gas Conservation Letter and Information**

Message from Suzanne Hoffman, Superintendent, Vancouver School District

Please see link for letter regarding energy conservation due to the natural gas shortage.

<http://go.vsb.bc.ca/schools/byng/Documents/Gas%20Conservation%20Letter%20and%20Information%202018Nov01.pdf>

2. **Important Reminders**

Byng School rules re Vaping, etc.

Reminder to the Lord Byng School parents, guardians and students that vaping, smoking, use of drugs and alcohol, and possession of any weapons is strictly prohibited at the school, on school property and while attending any Byng school event or activity – including all field trips - both locally and internationally. Failure to comply with these rules will result in consequences which may include suspension, or transfer to another educational setting, and will be noted in the student file. Please, also note that the legalization of cannabis has no bearing on the school policies regarding using or being under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

Mid-Term, Mid-Year Dropping of courses at Byng

Students must consult their guardian/parent, their counselor, the teacher and the grade-level administrator to obtain signed consent from all concerned, in order to drop a course mid-term at Lord Byng. Additionally, parents and students are reminded that dropping of courses in Term one (after Oct. 8) results in a "W" on the report card and school transcript. Dropping a course during Term two results in a "W" school transcript, and both the date of withdrawal and a "W" on the report card. Finally, the dropping a course during Term three will result in a "W" along with the date of withdrawal and the percentage/mark achieved up to and including the date of withdrawal on

the report card. *(At this time, it is our understanding that the Ministry of Education does not record course withdrawals on the Final Transcript of Grades from the Ministry of Education.)*

Driving and Parking at Byng

Please use extra caution when driving around our school. Byng students should only be picked-up or dropped off on 16th Avenue or on Wallace. Parents and students are not permitted to drive in or park in the parking lot. Please be considerate of our neighbours and the other people sharing roads around the school. People picking up or dropping off students should not block the entrance to the parking lot. In fact, we prefer that parents pick-up and drop off students as far from the school as possible, to better reduce congestion and to help keep the streets safe for the students.

3. Theatre Company

Theatre Company presents "Night at the Movies II – X&Y"
November 14 & 15, 2018 7pm Lord Byng Theatre

Please join Theatre Company as they present a new look film by casting against gender typing.
Doors open at 6:30. Show at 7:00 PM

4. Bottle Drive – November 24, 2018 – 10-2pm

The next Bottle Drive is coming up so please save all your bottles and cans and bring them to the Byng Parking lot (on Wallace, between 15th and 16th) on Saturday November 24th between 10am and 2pm.

Please note that we can only accept BEVERAGE CONTAINERS (no food) and NO DAIRY PRODUCTS (no soya, no almond, no rice dairy products).

This is an important fundraiser for the grads and we appreciate your support. Thank you!

5. Call for Volunteers – Grad 2019 Fundraiser – Bottle Drive

The Grad Parent Committee is fundraising and needs volunteer parents for our first bottle drive on Saturday, 24 November. We need 10 parents/shift for 2 shifts from 9am-noon and noon-3pm. Please sign-up using the link below or alternatively email Claire Stormont at stormont1@gmail.com with your name, contact number, email and preferred shift.

We look forward to your help!

 [Byng Bottle Drive - November 24, 2018](#)

6. Lord Byng Grad Purdy's Chocolates Fundraiser

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Get a jump on your holiday shopping while supporting our Byng Grads!! Simply order Purdy's chocolates through the following link: <https://fundraising.purdys.com/738633-55383>

Order by Nov 15th and collect them at school at the end of the school day on November 29th or Nov 30th. 25 percent of what you spend goes to support the 2019 Lord Byng Grad class.

7. Immunization Clinic

This is a reminder to all grade 9 students and any students who received an immunization form that they are now due in the school office. The immunization clinic will be held on Wednesday, Nov 7th in the morning periods 2-1 & 2-2. If you have any questions, please contact the school nurse Ms. Emily Ho at 604-261-6366.

8. Take Your Kids to Work Day

Grade 9 students will be heading out to work with either a parent or other trusted adult to job shadow on November 14th. Ms. DeYoung has application forms available on her door for student to pick up. These forms need to be returned, once completed, by November 13th. I will be going into the Grade 9 English classes on November 1st and 2nd to give students more information and an assignment for them to do on November 14th.

*Please note that Ms. DeYoung will be away on November 8th and 9th so students can NOT return their application forms to her on those days.

9. **Gr. 12 Parents**

Student Transcript Services is now open.

Grade 12 students can LOG IN with their BCeID (they need to create one if they haven't already) and then select which post-secondary institutions can have access to their transcript.

Note: New this year: UBC and SFU will have access to this website in March-April (not May like in the past); they will see interim marks (typically term 2 marks), and final marks of anything that is completed. They are not doing self-reporting anymore. Ms. Radic

10. **Attention Gr. 9 Students - Trek Program**

Trek – Outdoor Education Program

Information Session for Gr. 9 Students and Parents

Date: Wednesday, Nov 7th

Time: 7pm

Place: Prince of Wales Secondary

<http://www.trekoutdoorprogram.ca/>

<http://www.trekoutdoorprogram.ca/procedures-and-timeline/>

11. **Legalization and Regulation of Cannabis**

The legalization and regulation of cannabis took effect on October 17. In an effort to prepare and support students and families as this legislation comes into place, find attached two info sheets; one is designed for students and one for parents.

<http://go.vsb.bc.ca/schools/byng/Publications/Cannabis%20Student%20Factsheet.pdf>

<http://go.vsb.bc.ca/schools/byng/Publications/Cannabis%20Parent-Caregiver%20Factsheet.pdf>

12. **Families Interested in the Byng Arts Mini-School Program**

New applicants, at all grade levels, interested in the Byng Arts Mini-School program for September 2019, should begin the application this month. Our website provides a wealth of information (<http://byng2.vsb.bc.ca/byngarts/>) about what we offer, the application process, and important deadlines. Please check our [TIMELINE](#), and our [FAQ](#) for helpful information.

Application envelopes are currently available in our school office. Deadline for the paper and online submissions is December 20th at 3pm.

Email inquiries can be made to Jon Hartley-Folz at byngarts@vsb.bc.ca.

13. **ADHD in Schools: What Parents Should Know Workshop**

There is a special workshop on Thursday, November 15: **ADHD in Schools: What Parents Should Know**. - <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/adhd-in-school-what-parents-need-to-know-tickets-51275064097>

Meeting is in Rm 180 at VSB Education Centre and start at 7pm.

14. **School Forms / Medical Care Plan Forms**

Students are reminded that the forms that were handed out in homeroom class are due in the school office ASAP! (Student Emergency, CASL, Media Consent, Technology Policy). If you are missing any forms, please come to the school office.

If your child has a medical emergency concern, (ie. anaphylaxis, asthma, seizures, diabetes, etc.), please come to the school office to pick up a Medical Care Plan form. Any questions, please contact our school nurse Emily Ho at 604-261-6366.

15. **Ski and Snowboard Club 2018-19**

Currently we have 4 weekend dates booked for this school year.

December 15, 2018 (Sat) December trip is full. Waitlist has been started.
January 27, 2019 (Sun)
February 24, 2019 (Sun)
March 9, 2019 (Sat)

You will be able to choose just one day or multiple. Be clear to mark on your form the dates that you are choosing. The bus will depart from Lord Byng at 6:15 a.m. and return to Lord Byng at 6:00 p.m. We will travel to and from Base 2 at Blackcomb via International Coach Lines. There will be teacher supervisor(s) on board the bus and at the mountain to help with organization. Once at the mountain, RideTribe staff take over supervision and instruction of students. Only students who wish to participate in a fully guided day should plan to participate. There is no option to free ride or ski on your own. Participants will be matched with students and instructors who are at a similar ability level from complete beginner to advanced/expert. Helmets and GPS cuffs are mandatory while wrist guards are optional. Students must have their own winter weather gear.

Our cost for each Sunday
\$98: bus, lesson/guide, lunch (Season's Pass is required);
\$110: bus, lift, lesson, lunch; and
\$132: bus, lift, lesson, rental, lunch.
Our cost for each Saturday
\$103: bus, lesson/guide, lunch (Season's Pass is required);
\$115: bus, lift, lesson, lunch; and
\$137: bus, lift, lesson, rental, lunch.

The mountain requires payment by October 31, 2018 in order to secure space. Payment is refundable with 2 weeks' notice.

Teacher Sponsor/ Organizer/ Questions: Kathleen Whelan
Trip Chaperones: Collins, Hartley-Folz
kwhelan@vsb.bc.ca

16. **Yale Young Global Scholars Information Session**

When: Tuesday November 20th at lunch (11:45-12:15)

Where: Mr. Fung's room (room 316)

Is your child interested in a summer enrichment program that brings together talented high school students from around the world for a two-week academic experience at Yale University or Yale Center Beijing? With these 7 unique disciplinary sessions featuring lectures from Yale University faculty, seminars from Yale students (areas ranging from sustainable development and social entrepreneurship to politics, law, and economics, to biomedical engineering), and representation from over 126 countries, YYGS is dedicated to international exchange and liberal arts education and seeks to empower the next generation of leaders by building a global community and designing interdisciplinary programs that foster intellectual curiosity, deepen understanding and inspire creative action across all borders. This program is perfect for any student **currently in Grade 10 or 11** striving for academic and social enhancement!

Come to the information session (details above) for more information and hear about other students' firsthand experiences!

17. **University Visits to Lord Byng**

University of Toronto	Monday	Nov 5 th	@ lunch	Library
McGill University	Tuesday	Nov 6 th	@ lunch	Library

Concordia University	Wednesday	Nov 7 th	@ lunch	Library
York University	Thursday	Nov 8 th	@ 9:57 AM	Counselling Suite
University of Waterloo	Monday	Nov 19 th	@ lunch	Library
University of Alberta	Wednesday	Nov 21 st	@ lunch	Library
Queens University	Thursday	Nov 22 nd	@ lunch	Library
Langara	Monday	Dec 10 th	@ lunch	Library

18. School Cash Online

School Cash Online:

2018-2019 School fees and Supplemental fees are now DUE !

We wanted to take this opportunity to thank all of you that have already registered with *School Cash Online*, our school's preferred method of payment. We now have a 91% adoption rate of parents since the launch of the latest version of *School Cash Online*, an online fee payment system to pay for student fees and ALL school items. For those of you who haven't, please follow the link below to register online (it takes less than 5 minutes!). Once you have registered your child, you will be able to see all your child's required to fees. You also have the option to be notified whenever your child has a new school expense due, so you don't have to worry about missing the deadline.

To set up an account and explore the system, please follow the instructions below. We look forward to hearing your feedback!

Register Online:

Step 1: Please click on this link: <https://vsb.schoolcashionline.com>

Step 2: Register by selecting the "Get Started Now" and following the steps.

Step 3: After you receive the confirmation email, select the "click here" option, login in and add each of your children to your household account.

✓ Convenient ✓ Safe ✓ Secure

If you have any questions during the registration process or while shopping online, please select the *SUPPORT* option in the top right hand area of the screen.

Thank you for helping our school **"Go Green"**.

19. Calendar of Events

NOVEMBER

05	Mon.	University of Toronto Visit @ lunch library
06	Tues.	Swim Team – 7:20 – 8:15 a.m. @ Lord Byng Pool
06	Tues.	WEX Training @ lunch Rm 316
06	Tues.	Collaborative Day – Early dismissal at 1:28 p.m. for 8, 9, 11 & 12 except grade 10's
06	Tues.	McGill University Visit @ lunch Library
07	Wed.	Immunization Clinic – Grade 9 – Day 2-1 & 2-1 in lower cafeteria
07	Wed.	Concordia University rep visit @ lunch in the library
08	Thurs.	Swim Team – 7:20 – 8:15 a.m. @ Lord Byng Pool
08	Thurs.	Canadian Open Math Contest – Library
08	Thurs.	York University Rep @ 9:57 AM Counselling Suite
08	Thurs.	Remembrance Assemblies - TBA
08	Thurs.	District online tests registration ends midnight
09	Fri.	District Wide Curriculum Implementation Day – No school in session
12	Mon.	Remembrance Day – School not in session
13	Tues.	Swim Team – 7:20 – 8:15 a.m. @ Lord Byng Pool
13	Tues.	AMC 8 Math Contest
14	Wed.	Period Flip – (Day 1- 2, 1, 4, 3)
14	Wed.	Take Our Kids to Work Day
14	Wed.	Byng Arts Team Meeting @ Lunch in room A223
14	Wed.	Theatre Co. Show @7pm Theatre
15	Thurs.	Theatre Co. Show @7pm Theatre
15	Thurs.	Swim Team – 7:20 – 8:15 a.m. @ Lord Byng Pool
15	Thurs.	Period Flip – (Day 2 – 2, 1, 4, 3)
15	Thurs.	Lock Down Drill #1 @ 9:15 a.m. – Day 2-2
16	Fri.	Provincial Swim Meet @ Watermania (16-17 th)

- 17 Sat. Pacific Mobile Depot Recycling Byng parking lot – 9-12 noon
- 19 Mon. University of Waterloo @ lunch library
- 20 Tues. District Testing 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. small gym & gallery
- 21 Wed. Canadian Senior Math Competition/Canadian Intermediate Math Competition Contest
- 21 Wed. Gr. 7 Parent Info Night 7pm Auditorium
- 21 Wed. Planning 10 – Day 2-4
- 21 Wed. University of Alberta @ lunch library
- 22 Thurs. Queens University rep coming @ lunch in the library
- 22 Thurs. Byng Arts Fab / Whole School “The Code” - 1-4, 1-3
- 23 Fri. Peer Counselling Training #2
- 24 Sat. Grad Bottle Drive 10am – 2pm School Parking Lot
- 26 Mon. Strings Rehearsal theatre in use – (26th – 28th)
- 28 Wed. Strings Winter Concert 7:00 p.m. Theatre
- 28 Wed. PAC Meeting – 7:00 p.m. Library
- 30 Fri. Term 1 Ends

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