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Lord Byng News  
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## 1. **Take Your Kids to Work Day**

### **Attention Grade 9 parents:**

Take your kids to work day is coming up on Wednesday November 14<sup>th</sup> and your kids have been given the permission forms and information/worksheets in preparation for the day. There is a permission form that **MUST** be handed in by November 13<sup>th</sup> to Ms. DeYoung in the counselling office. Please note if I am not there, students should slide their completed forms under my door. I will be away November 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> for a conference.

Students do **NOT** have to attend their parent's work sites. They are allowed to go with a friend, relative or organize a trip to a workplace that is meaningful to them. They just need to indicate on the parent permission form where they will be going and you must sign it in order for the student absence to be excused. Students who do **NOT** have a workplace to go to are expected to attend their regular classes that day and I will have a work package for them to work on in lieu.

Students must hand in their completed Job Shadowing form to me by Friday November 16<sup>th</sup> as the students will be receiving a completion mark as part of their Health and Career Education 9 course.

I highly recommend that students take part in this once in a school lifetime opportunity. It's so important for students to see and understand what going to work means for different people. This gives them a chance to see a new perspective and to get some valuable hands on experience. I hope you will please support your children in making something meaningful for this day away from their normal academic duties.

Updated information about the Health and Career Education course can be found on my blog at: <https://hce-9.blogspot.com/>

## 2. **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

### 3. **Bike Repair Club**

Starting November 14th, Mr. Barski and Mr. Raoul will be offering bike repair tutorials to students. The new club will meet Wednesdays for an hour after school in the Metal Shop. Students who bring their (or their family members') bikes will be taught how to fix them, to encourage each of us to commute more sustainably. Ride on!

### 4. **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>

### 5. **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 16<sup>th</sup> 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 or 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.

### 6. **Bottle Drive – Nov 24, 2018 – 10am - 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!

### 7. **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](mailto:stormont1@gmail.com) with your name, contact number, email and preferred shift.

We look forward to your help!

## 8. 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.

## 9. Capacity Invite for Lord Byng Parents

Lord Byng parents are warmly invited to come to King George Secondary on Nov 29 2018 at 6:00 pm, for a light dinner and an evening learning about youth culture and perspective. You will hear directly from teens about the pressures and stresses young people face and how they cope – and how parents can help. This workshop is for PARENTS so please leave your teens at home. There is limited seating so please request a seat by emailing [ajwilson@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:ajwilson@vsb.bc.ca) or please see link:

<http://go.vsb.bc.ca/schools/byng/Publications/Capacity%20Cafe%20Invite%20for%20Lord%20Byng%20Parents.JPG>

## 10. VSB SWIS Byng Project 3B & Leaders of Hope Need Your Support For Refugee & Disadvantaged Immigrant Children & Youth

Do you want to make this Christmas extra special by sharing, helping and building friendship with refugee and disadvantaged immigrant children and youth by donation some books, board games, arts, sports & school supplies?

VSB SWIS Program Byng Project 3B, together with Leaders of Hope, David Thompson E.C. Club, youth leaders from Lord Kitchener and CLCE Exchange Foundation are taking the initiative to host the **2nd ISSofBC Youth Ambassador Project: Book *plus* Drive** from **Nov. 3 to Nov. 30, 2018**.

We are collecting **new and good condition** alphabet books, number books, coloring books, activity books as well as chess sets, LEGO, puzzles (100+ Pieces), Jenga, pick-up sticks, color markers, pens & pencils, crayons, paints, paint brushes, basketballs, volleyballs, badminton racquets, bubble blowers, soft toys, backpacks, etc.

The donation items will be placed at the ISSofBC Welcome Center's Youth Hub (<https://issbc.org/welcome-centre>) to **help the newly arrived refugee and needy immigrant children and youth to learn, to socialize and to have fun** while staying in the transition units, waiting to be transferred to permanent housing throughout the Lower Mainland.

Please bring some donations to the school drop-off bin on the 2nd floor in the corridor close to the main office to support the event!

For donation information, please contact Janet Chung, Byng Settlement Worker,  
778 772 2084 or [jchung@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:jchung@vsb.bc.ca)

## 11. 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 20<sup>th</sup> at 3pm.

Email inquiries can be made to Jon Hartley-Folz at [byngarts@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:byngarts@vsb.bc.ca).

## 12. 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

### 13. **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>

### 14. **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.

### 15. **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.

### 16. **Byng Athletics**

#### **Cross Country-BC Championships in Nanaimo**

Congratulations to the cross country team which took part in the BC High School Championships in Nanaimo on the weekend.

Bridgett Baziw was our only Senior girl participating. She has been injured most of the year, coming off of a stress fracture but she managed to place an amazing 29th out of 239 athletes.

In the Junior Boys race there were 33 teams. Lord Byng placed 8th which is our best performance ever for the Junior Boys. There were 277 boys in the race. Top performers for Byng were Paul Paetzel (27th), Ivan Tse (51th), Matt MacLean (54th) and Zachary Mullen. Honorable mention goes to Theo Robson, David Mo, and Jacob De Wijze.

In the Junior Girls race, Lord Byng placed third out of 27 teams, placing behind West Point Grey Academy in first and Abbotsford Christian in second! There were 226 girls in the junior race. Top Lord Byng performers were Ella Simon (12th), Sky Higgins (40th), and Skyla MacDonald (45th). Honorable mention goes to Risa Nakamura, Taylor Boykiw, and Sarah Lamb. This is the fourth time in four years that Lord Byng has placed in the top 3 for Junior Girls. And it is the fifth time in five years that they have placed in the top five!

Brandon Vanderluit, in grade 11, won the gold medal in the para race! This is the third time that Brandon has won a medal in this race!

Special thanks goes to Beck Brown who acted as the number one cheerleader and the mascot for the team! The Byng athletes represented our school extremely well on and of the race course and a good time was had by all. Also to Stephen Symon and Ms. Neil for their huge contribution in coaching and sponsoring the team all season! Way to go Grey Ghosts!

This a reminder of our gathering today for our last Meeting Monday and our wind-up dinner on Wednesday night at 5:30 pm at La Notte.

## Lord Byng Swim Team

After a Top 5 finish in The Regionals, 23 qualifiers are heading off to Watermania in Richmond for The Provincial Meet on November 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>. Our swimmers are poised to do very well as they prepare to compete against 120 schools from around the province. Warm-up on Friday starts at 9:30. Warm-up for consuls and finals on Saturday starts at 7:30. Go Team Go!

## 17. 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](mailto:kwhelan@vsb.bc.ca)**

## 18. University Visits to Lord Byng

University of Waterloo	Monday	Nov 19 <sup>th</sup>	@ lunch	Library
University of Alberta	Wednesday	Nov 21 <sup>st</sup>	@ lunch	Library
Queens University	Thursday	Nov 22 <sup>nd</sup>	@ lunch	Library
Langara	Monday	Dec 10 <sup>th</sup>	@ lunch	Library

## 19. 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!**

## 20. 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**.

## 21. Calendar of Events

### NOVEMBER

09	Fri.	<b>District Wide Curriculum Implementation Day – No school in session</b>
12	Mon.	<b>Remembrance Day – School not in session</b>
13	Tues.	Swim Team – 7:20 – 8:15 a.m. @ Lord Byng Pool
14	Wed.	AMC 8 Math Contest
14	Wed.	Period Flip – (Day 1- 2, 1, 4, 3)
14	Wed.	Take Our Kids to Work Day – Gr. 9 Students Only
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 <sup>th</sup> )
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 & lower cafeteria
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 @ 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 – (26 <sup>th</sup> – 28 <sup>th</sup> )
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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