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Lord Byng News
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1. **Changes to the New Curriculum Implementation Schedule for Grades 10-12**

Please see link for the letter from the Minister of Education regarding the changes in scheduling for the implementation of the Graduation Years (Gr. 10-12) curriculum.

<http://go.vsb.bc.ca/schools/byng/Publications/Parents%20and%20Guardians%20New%20Curriculum%20Update.pdf>

2. **Class of 2018 Grad Fundraiser**

A terrific way to get ahead with your Christmas and Holiday Season purchases by supporting our Grads at the same time.

- Poinsettia, Wreath, Planter Holiday Season Sale – deadline to order November 17th: <https://lordbyngsec.growingsmilesfundraising.com/home>

Chinese Translation:

http://go.vsb.bc.ca/schools/byng/Publications/Lord%20Byng%20Poinsettia_2017_Chinese.pdf

- Coffee Lovers, Bean Around the World Coffee - deadline to order December 4th: <http://go.vsb.bc.ca/schools/byng/Publications/Coffee%20Lovers%20Grad%20Fundraiser.pdf>

2 ways to order: Print out the form and attach a cheque made payable to: Lord Byng Secondary or got to School Day: <https://www.school-day.com> and log into your account. Choose “Product” tab and select the items you wish to order.

3. **Lord Byng Grocery Card Program**

The Lord Byng Grocery Card program is back!

Get info about the program, and order forms by clicking the link.

<http://go.vsb.bc.ca/schools/byng/Documents/LB%20Grocery%20Card%20Order%20Program%202017-2018.pdf>

Any questions? contact Erin Davis at davdun@telus.net

4. **BOTTLE DRIVE SAT. JAN. 13TH - PLEASE SAVE YOUR BOTTLES!**

Thank you to all who supported the first grad bottle drive, successfully held last weekend! The bottle drives are a significant fundraiser for the grad class and the next one is already scheduled for Sat. Jan. 13th, the first Saturday after the Christmas holidays. We are asking that Byng families save all of their returnable bottles, cans etc. over the next 2 months, and particularly over the holidays, and bring them to the school parking lot on Jan. 13th. With your help we hope to make this an even more successful event than the first one. The grads of 2018 thank you so much for your support!

5. **Cuba 2018**

Please join us for our first student meeting at lunch on November 14, 2017 in Room 316. There's so much to talk about... bring your lunch and your enthusiasm. We'll start right at 11:45 am.

6. **Trek Program**

The TREK outdoor education program is once again looking for interested grade nines to join us for next year. This one year program brings kids from all around the city to join together for an unforgettable year.

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

7. **Lord Byng Symphony Orchestra**

The Lord Byng Symphony Orchestra is happy to announce our first concert of the year on Friday, December 8th at 7:30pm! We will be playing selections from Mozart, Saint-Saëns, Atterburg, J.C. Bach, and Berlin. Our featured grade 12 soloists are Michelle Qu, Kelly Lin, and Judy Zhu. We invite all students, parents, and staff. Tickets are \$5 for students and \$10 for general at Lord Byng Theatre. We hope to see you all there!

Please see links for concert dates:

<http://go.vsb.bc.ca/schools/byng/dailybulletin/Documents%20Library/LBSO%20concert%20Friday%20Dec%208,%202017.jpg>

<http://go.vsb.bc.ca/schools/byng/dailybulletin/Documents%20Library/LBSO%20concert%20%20Friday%2020March%2016,%202018.jpg>

<http://go.vsb.bc.ca/schools/byng/dailybulletin/Documents%20Library/LBSO%20concert%20Friday%20May%2025,%202018.jpg>

8. **Lord Byng Xmas Tree Lot**

THE LORD BYNG XMAS TREE LOT OPENS FRIDAY DEC.1 to THURS. DEC.21 Hours are: MON.-FRI. 12:30pm-8 pm, SAT. & SUN. 10am - 8pm

Please get your tree while supply lasts!

Proceeds go to support Lord Byng PE Department and Athletics!

9. **Traffic Safety**

Traffic Safety: Please be very cautious when driving around our school. We need keep access to the school safe for everyone. Drop off and pick up of students should not block the streets or the entrance to our parking lot. The further away from the school the safer for everyone. If you're near the school you may drop-off Lord Byng students on Wallace or out in front of the school, on 16th, but please do not come into the school parking lot or in any way block the entrances to our school.

Avoid pick-up or drop-off of students along Crown, or *anywhere* near the elementary school. If you're in the car waiting to pick up a student after school, please do so as far from our school zones as possible. We've had a number of dangerous traffic incidents with students, especially in the congestion around the elementary school. As the fall weather sets in, Police and Bylaw Enforcement will be coming to help us alleviate the dangers of traffic around our school. Please remember to be careful, and adhere to all the traffic laws and parking bylaws. During school hours, pick-up and drop-off of Byng students in the staff parking lot area is not permitted.

Thank you for helping us to keep the students safe.

10. Student Emergency Contact Forms & Medical Care Plan Sheets

Student Emergency Contact Forms are due in the school office. It is important that we have up to date information in our school files. Please come to the school office to pick up a form if you require one.

Students who were given care plan sheets for anaphylaxis, diabetes, seizure conditions, asthma or other medical conditions, please return the forms to the school office.

If your child has any medical conditions (e.g. anaphylaxis, seizures, diabetes, asthma), please provide the appropriate medical forms and medication to the school office ASAP. Forms are available in the school office.

Any questions, please contact our school nurse Emily Ho at: 604-261-6366

11. Byng Grads and Parents of Grads

Ms. Smith encourages all Grade 12 students to regularly check our Lord Byng website (under Students top tab, Gr.12's drop tab) **for important Gr.12 Information.** Make checking this a habit and be informed about Gr. 12 opportunities, responsibilities, post-secondary updates, scholarships, and application deadlines.

<http://go.vsb.bc.ca/schools/byng/Students/Grade%2012/Pages/Grade-12-Information.aspx>

12. Byng Athletics

Cross Country

Congratulations to the Cross Country team which competed at the BC Championships on Saturday. The meet took place at Jericho Beach Park in the cold and even light snow.

In the Para race, Brandon Vanderluit won the gold medal. He placed first by more than 3 minutes, over the 2.3 kilometer course. This is Brandon's 2nd medal at BC's as he also placed first in 2015. Thanks to Justin Quattrocchi for running with Brandon and supporting him.

In the Junior Girls race, Lord Byng placed a very respectable 2nd. The course was 4.6 kilometers and there were 249 girls in their event. Bridgett Baziw repeated her top ten performance from last year placing in 8th place once again! Byng's other top 50 finishers were Ella Symons in 42nd and Skye Higgins in 48th. Rounding out the team's results were Skyla MacDonald in 98th, Sabine Fedder and Lily Kuropatwa. The girls came up just a little short of repeating as provincial champions but it was a gutsy effort. Second place is nothing to sneeze at and they will definitely be in the mix again next year.

In the Junior Boys race, Byng was without two of our top runners. Despite this, the boys managed to place 22nd out of 34 teams! There were 271 boys in the 5 kilometer race. Paul Paetzel had a top 50 performance with a strong 44th place. Finley MacDonald finished in the top half of the field. Sean Webster, Francis Sadleir, Ivan Tse, and Victor Carreira all put forth strong showings for Byng.

In the Senior Girls race there were 242 competitors in the 4.6 kilometer race. Devann Paterson ran a strong race to place 63rd to complete a very competitive grade 12 year for her. Renata Lawrence also ran well. In the Senior Boys race there were 233 competitors in the 6.9 kilometer race . Ben Paetzel cracked the top 50 with an impressive result to place 42nd Ben has always been a strong and steady competitor for each of his five years. His absence from the team next year will be deeply felt. Charles Yan showed a lot of grit as he sustained an injury during the race but still managed to sprint through the finish line to rank well. Well Done Grey Ghosts! We look forward to seeing you at our year end dinner on Wednesday, November 15th. Also, we look forward to you all coming out for track and field in the Spring!

Mr. Jack and Ms. Neil

Swim Team

Wow, our Lord Byng Swim Team had a fantastic day at The Regional Meet on Friday, October 27th. With 48 swimmers competing in 2 divisions, we finished 4th overall. That's 1st for public schools and 4th out of 27 schools. Our team rose 4 places in the standings! We really did well in the relay events and have 9 teams advancing to the provincials. Our top point scorers were the Senior Girl's relay team of Alice Zhou, Sarah Fedder, Giselle Steiner and Kate Block who placed 1st in all three relay events.

It's worth noting that the team is coached by students who also swim for the team. Huge thanks to Giselle Steiner, Sarah Fedder, Alice Zhou, Aaron Ping, Jacky Chen, Charles Yan, Angela Chen and Kate Block. The provincial meet takes place at Watermania on November 17 & 18. Go team go!!!!

13. University Visits to Byng

University of Victoria	Tuesday Nov 14 @ lunch library
University of Toronto	Monday Nov 20 @ lunch library
Queens University	Thursday Nov 23 @ lunch library
SFU	Tuesday Nov 28 @ lunch library

14. University Visits @ St. Georges Senior School & York House School

Parents and students are welcome to attend the evening event at St. George's School. 4175 W. 29th Avenue

Tuesday November 14th- UBC, 7pm

McGill University Info Session @ York House School Sat. Nov 18th 2:00 -3:30 pm

Please see link below:

http://www.mcgill.ca/applying/files/applying/bc_info_session_poster_nov_2017.pdf

15. Ski and Snowboard Club

The Lord Byng Ski and Snowboard Club will be heading to Whistler for another epic season. We have scheduled 5 trips with RideTribe: December 10; January 20; February 4; March 3 and April 14. All trips will depart Lord Byng at 6:00 a.m. and return at 6:00 p.m. Students will be supervised on the bus by Lord Byng staff. Teaching staff will also be available to help direct students who are new to the process. Once at the mountain, students are required to participate in groups determined by their ability for the entire day. There will be a guide/ instructor with every group of students.

Students may sign up for one day or multiple days.
Cost per trip for Whistler Blackcomb Ridetribes

December 10, Jan 20, Feb 4

\$96 (bus, lunch, guided day....students must have their own activated Season's Pass)

\$108 (bus, lunch, lift, guide)

\$130 (bus, lunch, lift, guide, rental)

Mar 3, April 14

\$101 (bus, lunch, guided day....students must have their own activated Season's Pass)

\$113 (bus, lunch, lift, guide)

\$135 bus, lunch, lift, guide, rental)

Winter clothing is not included in the cost of the trip and is not available at the mountain.

Lunch is included, but, it's always a good idea to bring extra food and drink for the way home.

There are spaces to store gear at the mountain or items may be stored on the locked bus for the day. The bus must park offsite so students will not be able to access their belongings until the end of the day.

Cheques payable to Lord Byng Secondary

Questions to kwhelan@vsb.bc.ca

Forms and money to be returned to Kathleen Whelan in Room 302

16. School-Day 2017/2018 School Fees Payment

Please continue to pay your General School Fees and Supplemental Fees online.

1. New users for School-Day, please go to www.school-day.com . Click **Log in**, then click **Register**. Complete your information, making sure to include a valid email address.
2. Once you make a School-Day account, you need to add a student:
 - a. Click **Add Student**
 - b. In the Secure-Match field, enter your **Secure-Match Key** and then click **Register**.
Contact our school accountant, Ms. Chan for your child's Secure-Match Key
Tel: 604-713-8171
email address: mchan@vsb.bc.ca
 - c. If you don't need the Secure-Match key from Ms. Chan, you can also register your child electronically by filling in their unique student information, select the '*Electronic Authentication*' link.
 - d. Confirm you are the legal parent or guardian of the student

We are sure that you will find School-Day easy to use, and we appreciate your help in improving our communications and significantly reducing the amount of paper our school consumes.

17. Calendar of Events

NOVEMBER

10	Fri.	Curriculum Implementation Day – No school in session
13	Mon.	Remembrance Day – School not in session
14	Tues.	Period Flip – (Day 2 – 2, 1, 4, 3)
14	Tues.	Parent Grad Committee Meeting 7pm A219
14	Tues.	Swim Team – 7:20 – 8:15 a.m. @ Lord Byng Pool
14	Tues.	University of Victoria @ lunch in the library
15	Wed.	Period Flip – (Day 1- 2, 1, 4, 3)
15	Wed.	Sec. Concert Band Festival (Sr. Night) @ Magee Sec. time TBA
15	Wed.	Cross Country Team Dinner @ 5:30pm
16	Thurs.	Swim Team – 7:20 – 8:15 a.m. @ Lord Byng Pool
16	Thurs.	Collaborative Day – Early dismissal at 1:28 p.m. for 8, 9, 11 & 12 except grade 10's
17	Fri.	Peer Counselling Training off campus at St. Phillips Church
17	Fri.	Poinsettia Order Deadline
17	Fri.	Code Red Drill @ 11:00 a.m. Day 1-1

- 17 Fri. Provincial Swim Meet @ Watermania (17& 18)
- 18 Sat. Pacific Mobile Depot Recycling Byng parking lot – 9-12 noon
- 20 Mon. University of Toronto @ lunch library
- 21 Tues. District Testing 12:30 – 4:00 p.m. small gym & lower cafeteria
- 22 Wed. Term 1 Ends
- 22 Wed. Canadian Senior Math Competition/Canadian Intermediate Math Competition Contest – Day 2-2 & 2-1
- 22 Wed. Immunization Clinic Grade 9's – 2-2 & 2-1 Lower Cafeteria
- 22 Wed. PAC Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
- 22 Wed. Gr. 7 Parent Info Night Auditorium 7pm
- 23 Thurs. Term 2 Begins
- 23 Thurs. Queens University Visit @ lunch in the library
- 23 Thurs. Byng Arts FAB Assembly –1-3 @ 1:45 pm
- 27 Mon. Strings Rehearsal theatre in use – (27th – 30th)
- 28 Tues. SFU Visit @ lunch in library
- 30 Thurs. Report Cards Posted to School Portal
- 30 Thurs. Strings Winter Concert 7:00 p.m. Theatre
- 30 Thurs. Novice & Jr. Debate- 4-9 pm Cafeteria, 2nd & 3rd Floors

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