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Message from the Principal

Dear Lord Byng Parents, Students and Community Members,

Special thanks this week goes to all our staff for working hard to complete Semester 2 Midterm Reports.

The Reports will be available for students and parents for review this afternoon in advance of the Parent-Teachers on-line Interviews that are planned for May 5th. On-line interview appointments can be made through the on-line link that is provided in the parent letter that has already been e-mailed to all parents today.

Another important information item for parents and students in the current Grade 10 will be coming next week with an update on the **revised graduation requirements** that are currently required for students first graduating in the **2023-24 school year**.

Thanks once again for all your continued support.

Mr. Wilmann

School News

Early Dismissal for Students on Thursday, May 5th, 2022

Students will be dismissed at 2:06 pm.

Indigenous Teaching and Learning:

An example of the deep learning that students have been able to explore can be seen in Ms. York's art class where students worked on a deeply moving art project that used the shards of wood from the recent sculpting project that Indigenous artist Dave Robinson completed on the school site.

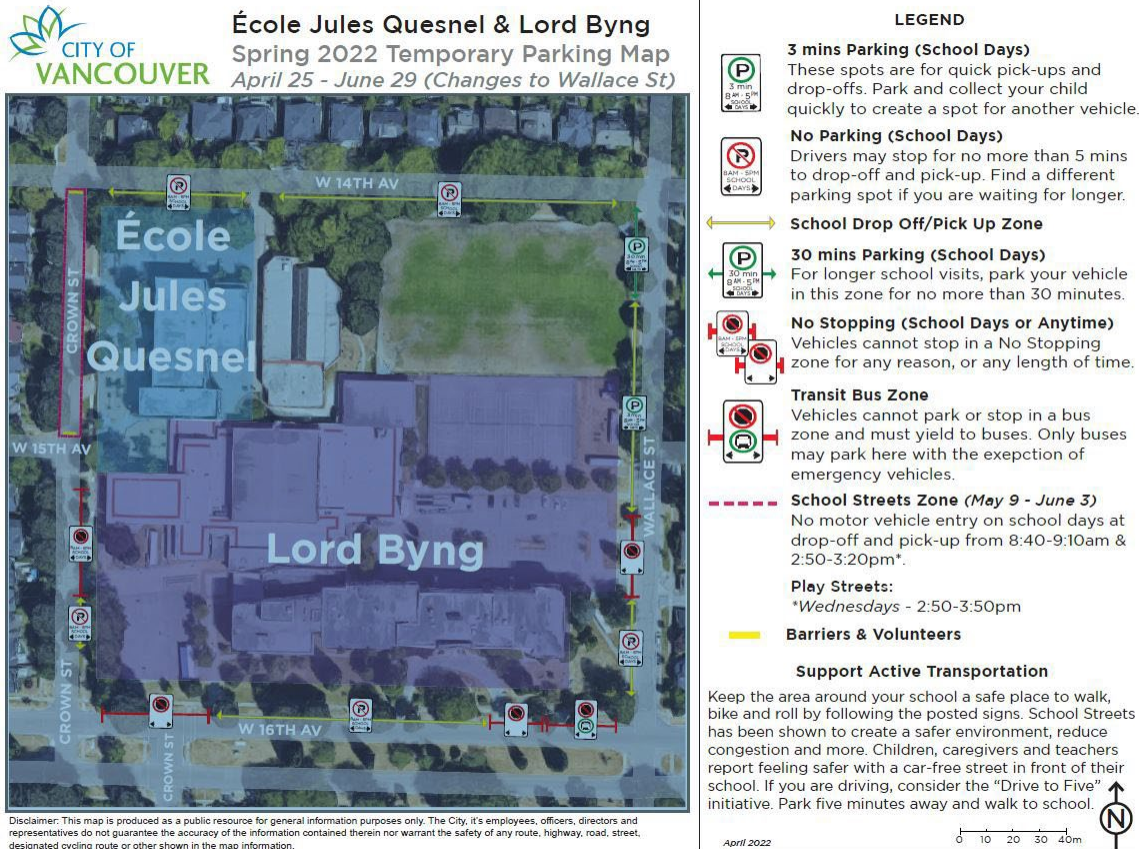
Below is a summary of the project by Ms. York:

"The project is the result of our art project that used the shards from Dave's sculpture. It is now installed at the Board offices in the student art gallery. My students decided it would work better if each of them painted an individual face instead of one face across all the shards. My CS student built the branch triangle and wove the red dreamcatcher net that suspends the pieces. Cohen helped me to string the pieces together and to install it at the Board. It was a truly collaborative process. "



Temporary Parking Changes

New Parking Restrictions: There will be new parking restrictions introduced by the city on the school site of Jules Quesnel and Lord Byng Secondary starting on April 25th. Please see map below for details.



COVID 19 Updates

Please see the updated District Communicable Disease Prevention Plan click on link:

[Vancouver School Board \(vsb.bc.ca\)](https://www.vsb.bc.ca)

Getting Started with Microsoft Teams & Passwords

Please click on link [HERE](#) for instructions.

School Parking Lot

Dear Parents,

Due to a serious safety issue, we are asking all parents to:

- please do not park on Wallace Street
- please do not drive through the staff parking lot
- please do not use the drive through at the Lord Byng front entrance

If you need to drop off your child, please consider doing so a few blocks away. We appreciate your cooperation in making sure that the safety of your child is of the utmost importance to us.

Thank you,

Mr. Wilmann

School Fees

\$ Pay a school fee now

https://www.vsb.bc.ca/Student_Support/General_Resources/school-fees/Pages/OnlinePayment.aspx

<https://www.vsb.bc.ca/layouts/vsbwww/arch/default/files/KEV-Translations/Chinese.pdf>

Cell Phone Usage During Class time

This is a reminder that cell phones are not to be used during class time instruction. Please respect the policy in your teacher's classroom.

PAC News

Important Information from Grad Committee for Grade 12 Parents: If you are a parent or guardian of a grade 12 student please sign up ASAP to our email distribution list. This will ensure you receive the most up to date information from the Grad Committee. Sign up [here](#).

The Byng Parent Grad Committee has been diligently working to help support the celebrations of our well-deserved Class of 2022. Thank-you to everyone who supported our fundraising initiatives. **There are several events coming up, some with important deadlines.** Please visit the Grad Committee Page on the Lord Byng PAC website to learn more. <https://www.lordbyngpac.com/grad-fundraising> . For any other questions related to Grad Committee please email Chair Kathy Findlay at kfindlay4@gmail.com

THANKS for your support of the Grad Bottle Drive on Sunday: Thanks to all the student and parent volunteers and to all those who brought items to the bottle drive **we raised over \$1,240 for grad events!!**

For any other PAC related questions please email us at lordbyngpac@gmail.com.

Thanks for your support!

Students Not Returning to Byng Sept 2022

If you are not planning to return to Lord Byng in September 2022, please click [HERE](#) and return the completed form to the school office ASAP!

VSBC Summer School

For more information about VSBC Summer School, please click [here](#).
Course information will be available for viewing on Friday, April 22nd.

School Service Hours

Volunteer hours for in-school related activities are due in the school office by Thursday, May 5th. This is only for volunteer hours at Lord Byng **not outside volunteering**. Please fill out page 34 of the student agenda book and return the completed sheet to the school office. Please ensure that teacher/sponsor signature is included, description of volunteer work and hours are tallied. **Due date is Thursday, May 5th.**

Immunization Forms

This is a reminder to grade 9 and 10 students who received an immunization consent form. Please return the form to the school office ASAP!

2022 Grad Citations – Grade 12's

Reminder to please submit your Grad Citations by April 29th
[Please complete this form](#) with your grad citation message, which should be brief but include thank you's as well as comments on interests and plans for the future. Please note, all citations will be proofread by the administration. **If you do not submit in time, or if your citation message is not approved, we include a generic message on your behalf.**

Grad Commencement Ceremony and Dinner Dance Information

Commencement Ceremony and Dinner Dance information (see below)
[Calendar of events for the Graduating Class of 2022.pdf](#)

Grad Fundraising Appeal Letter 2022

Please click [HERE](#) for the Grad fundraising appeal letter.
Please click [HERE](#) for the Chinese translation.

Lord Byng Golf Team

It was a big week for Byng golf. On Sunday 2021 grad Victoria (YanJun) Liu and golf team alumni won the individual Ivy League Title and propelled her team; Princeton, to the Ivy League NCAA Div 1 title. On Monday, Victoria's sister Elaine Liu ; who is in grade 8, won the closest to the pin, Jack Cluff won the long drive with a 340 yard drive and George Zhou shot a -5 67 score to win the individual title at the 16 team Delta Police Tournament. Those 3 players along with Ethan Shum and Michael Li defeated many of the province's top teams including rival St. Georges, as Byng placed place 2nd in the tournament with a team even par score. On Wednesday, the team defeated U Hill in league play by 48 strokes continuing their undefeated record. Mason Sun and George Zhou contributed to the win with Ethan Shum carding a 3 over par 74 and Elaine shooting a 5 under par 67. The team plays next week at Point Grey Golf Club against Kits.

Parents of French 8 - Seeking Chaperones

SEEKING CHAPERONES for Vancouver International Children's Festival

We will be taking students in **French 8** to the Vancouver International Children's Festival on Wednesday June 1st, 2022 (11:45 am – 3 pm). We are looking for Parent chaperones to accompany us. If you have a flexible work schedule and would like to join us, please contact me at pvioli@vsb.bc.ca. **Come have fun!**

In your email, please include the name of your child and their French 8 teacher. Thank you!

Byng Athletics

Track and Field

Track and field schedule next week:

You can still join the team but time is running out.

The last qualifying meet is next Wednesday at UBC (Rashpal Dhillon Track), from 3:30 to 7 pm.

Practices and meets next week will be as follows:

Monday at 3:30 pm at Camosun Park

Tuesday at 7:45 am for hurdles and high jump only

Tuesday at 3:30 pm at Camosun Park

Wednesday from 3:30 to 7 pm at UBC (Rashpal Dhillon Track)

Saturday and Sunday, BC Summer Games Trials for those born in 2007 and 2008 only, Swangard Stadium

Track and Field Raffle Tickets:

Please return your sold or unsold tickets to Mr. Jack ASAP. The draw will be next week.

Contact Mr. Jack in the PE office or bjack@vsb.bc.ca for more details.

Counselling Department Update

A to Gr – Ms. Boyd aboyd@vsb.bc.ca

Gs to L – Ms. Radic jradic@vsb.bc.ca

M to Te – Ms. Smith msmith@vsb.bc.ca

Tf to Z – Ms. Birsan ibirsan@vsb.bc.ca

Blush

Counsellors have invited Blush with VCH to come and present to our grade 8s, 9s and 10s. The presentations are happening mostly during Fit time. The topics are: Healthy relationships, Safer sexy and Media Literacy. We are already seeing many of our students engage, learn, and develop these important concepts. We are excited to support them and be part of their learning.

VSBSWIS Byng Project 3B Fundraising for Ukraine: Youth Helping Children in Crisis!

Update:

More than eight weeks into the conflict in Ukraine, over 5 million children and adults have fled to neighboring countries in a crisis that continues to intensify, with casualties and displacement still growing. It is the fastest-growing refugee crisis in Europe since World War II. **What can we do to help?**

With support from UNICEF Canada, Byng Project 3B is joining forces with David Thompson E.C. Club to organize a **“Peace & Hope for Ukraine”** fundraiser consisting of 7 initiatives to donate to the **UNICEF Ukraine Emergency Relief Fund** to show support to those made vulnerable by the crisis.

Below are updates of the 7 fundraising initiatives at Byng:

1) Direct Donation Appeal Leadership Team: Completed

(Chief leads Jennifer Nguyen, Xuan Zhou, Eleanor Liu, Rainbow Nie)

A huge heartfelt thank you to the Byng admin, teachers, staff and fellow students for their extraordinary generosity and kindness to support this urgent humanitarian relief initiative! During the period of April 20 to 23, 32 Direct Donation Appeal leaders visited 45 classes and collected \$1100 to kickstart the 8 week-long fundraising initiative at Byng! Again, our deep appreciation to all the donors and the amazingly supportive Byng community!!

2) Walkathon for Peace & Hope: completed

(Chief Leads: Rainbow Nie, Johnny Mao, Elise Lei & Beryl Gu, parent volunteer)

April 23, Saturday, 3:30 – 5:30pm, Lord Byng Secondary School

While other students were relaxing at home, meeting up with friends or planning for entertainment during their long weekend, high-spirited walkers gathered at the front entrance of our school to take their fundraising route while remembering the millions of Ukrainians who “walked long miles” to flee their homes in search for protection and safety! At the end of their “Walkathon for Peace & Hope”, they collectively fundraised a total of \$220 demonstrating a commendable team effort! Way to go “walkers”!!



3) Chess for Peace & Hope (open)

(Chief Leads: Mike Qiu, Kevin Weng, Tiger Lyu and Kingston So)

1st Virtual Chess Tournament: Completed

April 24, Sunday, 6:30 – 8:30pm on Zoom

The 1st Chess Tournament attracted 32 enthusiastic players from as far as Australia, USA, China, White Rock, Chilliwack, West Vancouver, Port Moody, Burnaby in addition to the host region, Vancouver. The 90 minutes virtual match brought together B.C.’s top ranking to novice players with warm hearts and generous spirits...they want to have fun **BUT** more importantly, they all want to help Ukrainians suffering atrocities!

At the end of the 1st Chess tournament, Alex Yu (David Thompson Secondary), Bella Wang (Burnaby online), Kevin Weng (Lord Byng Secondary) and Tao Xie (West Van Secondary) earned the highest scores to advance to the Championship on May 27 at Lord Byng Secondary. Congratulations to all of you with top chess tournament skills & compassionate hearts!!

The 1st Chess Tournament fundraised a total of \$330! Congratulations to all of you with good chess tournament skills & compassionate hearts!!

Registration for the 2nd Chess Tournament on May 15, Sunday from 6:30 to 8:00pm is now open! Please click link to registrar: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/10I5IzSBZxpUEHWfnrx4KE_QgPMYf0L1BFUGWjZ5-uhE



4) **Bottle Recycling for Peace & Hope: this Saturday!!!**

(Chief Leads: Helena Qi, Michael Zhang, Alina Huang & Sophia Song)

1st Collection: April 30, Saturday, 10 – 1:00pm, Byng Teacher Parking Lot.

“Even though the bottles are empty, they are overflowing with your love & Hope” for Ukrainians. Hope to see you with donation bottles on Saturday at Byng Parking lot!!

There are more fundraising activities in May: Crafting for Peace & Hope on May 13, Rally for Hope (friendship badminton) on May 20 and Art Shines for Peace & Hope YouTube variety show on May 29 at 7pm.

We would like to invite you to join our initiatives to maximize our impact in supporting Ukrainian children & families! For information, please contact Ms. Smith in the counseling office or Ms. Janet Chung at 778 772 2084 or at jlchung@vsb.bc.ca to join this great cause!

We look forward to working with you and helping the people of Ukraine.

2nd Collection: May 28, Saturday, 10- 1:00pm,

Lord Byng Secondary Teacher Parking Lot

5) **Crafting for Peace & Hope: registration begins**

(Chief leads: Angela Sun, Laura Chen, Eleanor Liu & Christina Wang)

May 13, Friday, 3:10- 6:00pm, Lord Byng Secondary

6) **Rally for Peace & Hope: registration begins**

Inter schools badminton friendship match

(Chief Leads: Anna Liu , Anna Fan & Kelvin Xi)

May 20, Friday, 3:30 - 5:30pm,

7) **Art Shines for Peace & Hope: performer registration begins**

(a celebration variety show & raffle draw)

May 29, Sunday, at 7pm on YouTube

More than eight weeks into the conflict in Ukraine, over **5 million children and adults** have fled to neighboring countries in a crisis that continues to intensify, with casualties and displacement growing. In addition to millions of refugees, **7.1 million** people are believed to have been displaced within the besieged country, meaning that nearly one of every four Ukrainians have been forced from their homes.

As war continues, humanitarian needs are multiplying

It the fastest-growing refugee crisis in Europe since World War II

Your urgent help is needed to protect those made vulnerable by the crisis

Pray for peace and safety for those in the midst of conflict

Donate to help children and families who have left everything in search of safety

PRAGUE, April 20 (Reuters) - The number of people fleeing Ukraine to escape Russia's invasion has passed 5 million in Europe's worst refugee crisis since the end of World War Two, U.N. refugee agency said on Wednesday.

"But every new attack shatters their hopes. Only an end to the war can pave the way for rebuilding their lives."

Russia's invasion has triggered a massive displacement of people in the nearly eight weeks since it began, including more than 7 million Ukrainians within the country. U.N. data showed that 5.03 million had fled Ukraine as of Wednesday.

The overwhelming majority of refugees and displaced individuals are children and women. The U.N. has said that another Ukrainian child is becoming a refugee nearly every second, and that more than one of every two Ukrainian children are now displaced.

"The war has caused one of the fastest large-scale displacements of children since World War II," said UNICEF Executive Director Catherine Russell. "This is a grim milestone that could have lasting consequences for generations to come. Children's safety, wellbeing and access to essential services are all under threat from non-stop violence."

More than 11 million people are believed to have fled their homes in Ukraine and nearly two-thirds of the 7.5 million Ukrainian children have been forced from their homes since the conflict with Russia began, according to UNICEF. This horrific humanitarian tragedy is evolving by the minute! **What can we do to help?**

With support from UNICEF Canada, Byng Project 3B is joining forces with David Thompson E.C. Club to organize a **"Peace & Hope for Ukraine"** fundraiser consisting of 7 initiatives to donate to the **UNICEF Ukraine Emergency Relief Fund**.

BYNG ARTS GALA – May 12th, 5-8pm at the Roundhouse Community Centre

Theme: Spring Tea Party

We are excited to return to the Roundhouse on May 12th.

The Gala will be a sit-down event with performances and games as well as a costume contest and snacks. It will not be a dance as we feel that it is important to continue to be as safe as possible with our activities.

Doors open at 4:30 and the event begins formally at 5:00 with performances followed by pizza. Performances, games and other activities are currently being planned by student council – who can build the tallest house of cards, costume contest, board games, and more.

BYOG: Do you have a favorite game to play – bring it along to the Gala and teach your friends how to play. Tables fit 10 to 12 attendees, start to plan your table groups. We have 2 weeks to go!

ACTION REQUIRED – Order Bubble Tea and Tell Us Your Dietary Requirements – Dinner will be Pizza, a veggie platter, cheese and crackers, and a dessert of profiteroles and macarons. **Please fill out this form by Wednesday, May 4th** and let us know if you have special food requests (vegetarian, vegan, Lactose intolerant...) and let us know if you want us to order you a bubble tea.

FOOD FORM



Gala Volunteers – Thank You for Signing Up

We will have an online Zoom meeting on Wednesday, May 4th to go over the plans and potential roles and responsibilities. Invites will be sent out to the email that you provided when you signed up to volunteer.

Gala Audition Results

Congratulations to the successful performers. Emails have gone out and you should be prepared to arrive at the Gala on May 12th at 4pm for the sound check and opportunity to practice in the space.

Byng Arts Passport: passport.lordbyng.net

Keep up the good work with recording your art activities and helping build your House team's total points – 25 points get added to your House for every event. Remember that you need another 5 events before the end of this semester. Get out and celebrate the arts and send in your evidence.

STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

Student council meets every Thursdays on Teams and in face to face in room A223. Everyone is welcome, use the link below to go to the Student Council Channel and start to get involved: [STUDENT COUNCIL ON TEAMS](#)

Meeting Details:

Gala: At this week's meeting, we discussed more plans for gala activities and began to finalize the food order. We made a form to help make sure that we know everyone's food needs and if they want to order a bubble tea.

Many exciting things are coming your way even if we won't have a traditional dance (sneak peak: dance off!). We signed up to help with Gala set up at the Roundhouse.

The date of the gala is set for May 12, please come in costume for the theme: tea party/Alice in Wonderland!

Scavenger Hunt – Who Stole the Sea of Flames? – can you solve the mystery. This will be the final contest in our House Challenge. The mystery begins the week after Gala. Stay tuned.

Contact council on Teams or Instagram ([@byngartstudentcouncil](https://www.instagram.com/byngartstudentcouncil))