



# Be Safe, Be Fair, Be Kind

## Bayview Community Elementary School

# FEBRUARY

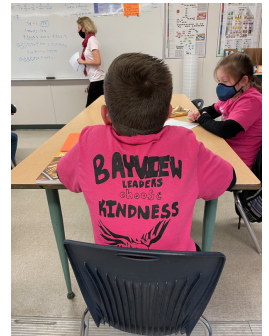
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### Wednesday, February 22 is Pink Shirt Day

In 2007, Halifax students, David Shepherd, Travis Price and their teenage friends organized a high-school protest to wear pink in sympathy with a Grade 9 boy who was being bullied [for wearing a pink shirt]...[They] took a stand against bullying when they protested against the harassment of a new Grade 9 student by distributing pink T-shirts to all the boys in their school. 'I learned that two people can come up with an idea, run with it, and it can do wonders,' says Mr. Price, 17, who organized the pink protest. 'Finally, someone stood up for another kid. So Mr. Shepherd and some others headed off to a discount store and bought 50 pink tank tops. They sent out a message to schoolmates that night, and the next morning they hauled the shirts to school in a plastic bag. As they stood in the foyer handing out the shirts, the bullied boy walked in. His face spoke volumes. 'It looked like a huge weight was lifted off his shoulders,' Mr. Price recalled. The bullies were never heard from again.



On February 22, 2023, we encourage everyone to continue to practice kindness and to wear pink. Remember that at Bayview, we are Safe, Fair and Kind every day and in every way.

### Upcoming Events

#### February

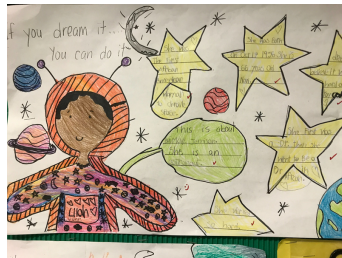
- 10 Friday Assembly-9:00 am Spirit Day-Wear Your Favourite Colour
- 14 PAC Bake Sale
- 16 Staff Appreciation Lunch
- 17 Professional Development Day
- 20 Family Day Holiday
- 22 Pink Shirt day

#### March

- 1-2 Early Dismissal for Student-led Conferences
- 3. Bayview Cabin Party
- 13-24 Spring Break

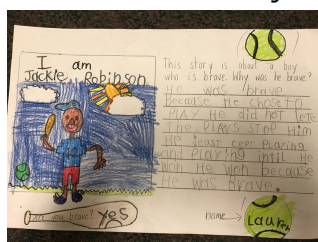
### February 17 and February 20-School Not in Session

Just a reminder that Friday, February 17 is a district wide Professional Development Day. This is a day of learning for our staff. Monday, February 20 is the Family Day Holiday. See you Tuesday, February 21.



### Learning at Bayview

**Division Seven, Ms. Taylor's** class is celebrating Black History Month. We have been having conversations about treating people fairly and kindly and not focussing on what they look like on the outside but focussing on what they are like in the inside. We talked about Mae Jemison who says, "If you can dream it work hard to achieve it you can do it!" The children talked about their dreams as well then we learned about Jackle Robinson who says great leaders are brave and that you have to be brave to make great changes. We will continue to talk about several people who have influenced the black movement. We will continue to have conversations about the fair treatment of all people regardless of their race their colour or where they originally come from!



**Div 9-Ms. Jung's** class enjoyed the story, " I Am Ruby Bridges" with Ms. Biorn. They learned that Ruby, at 6 years old, was the first African-American student in William Frantz Elementary School, an all-white school in New Orleans. She had to be escorted to school by federal marshalls. She was brave.



**Division 3, Ms. Montagon's class** started Measurement and learning a variety of games from around the world in Math. Last week they played Gomoku from Japan and week before Yut Nori from Korea. We are practising basic facts and strategy. In Science, we started Motion and Simple Machines. We think we should go to Playland to experience what we learn. In Social Studies, we are learning about Black Excellence. Today we learned about how the Aquatic Centre used to be segregated from 1928-1945 and so non-white Vancouverites claimed the beach at the foot of Burrard Street bridge by the Marina, Vanier Park, as their own and called it "Brown Beach". Thanks for this morning message Ms. Biorn and Lia .



### Black Excellence Day

<b>When is Black Excellence Day?</b> Jan 13, 2023	<b>2 Quotes</b> I have a dream... Martin Luther King Jr. Never be limited by other Peoples limited imaginations-Dr. Mae Jemison	<b>Willie Oree</b> Willie Oree was born in Fredericton in 1935. His grandparents came to Canada through the Underground Railroad. Willie loved playing hockey and wanted to play for the NHL. His eye was injured but he kept it a secret so that he could play in the NHL. In 1958, Willie became the first Black hockey player to play a game in the NHL.
<b>What is racism and anti-racism?</b> Racism is when somebody judges you by your skin colour. For example you are playing a game and somebody says you can't play just because your skin colour is different. ANTI-racism is when somebody stands up to racism. For example you are playing tag and somebody says you can't play because you're black and somebody says that's not cool. They are being anti-racist.	<b>Did you know?</b> 1. This year we celebrated the second Black Excellence Day ever. 2. It was created by Minandoo Society. 3. This year 32,000 students and teachers celebrated Black Excellence Day. 4. Black Excellence started in BC. 5. Black Excellence Day is still not recognized through out Canada.	<b>Martin Luther King Jr.</b> Martin Luther King Jr. was an activist and a minister. He fought for equal rights for Black Americans. He was the youngest man to receive the Nobel Peace prize.
<b>What is Black Excellence Day?</b> Black Excellence Day is a day to celebrate Black history and Black people because she sat in the back of the bus in a movie the Government of Canada.	<b>My Thoughts</b> I think it's sad and unfair that the Black people had less rights. For example they could not eat in the same restaurants and they had to sit at the back of the bus. I am glad these things have changed.	<b>Who King</b> Lith Pre Agents is a

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**What is racism?** Racism is a very mean way of saying your Not Allowed to join because of your skin color.

**Quote:** (I have a Dream) "Darkness cannot drive out Darkness, ONLY Light can do that"

### Black My thoughts

I think that it is really stupid that some people got different rights just because of their skin color.

Both quotes are from Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.



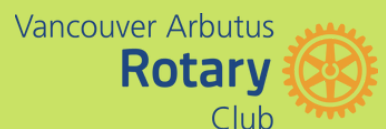
### Racism and anti-racism

Racism is when a person or people bully people of colour. Anti-racism is people working to make less racism.

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## Books For Kids Book Drive-February 27-March 10



We believe that if a child hears 1000 books by age 5, they will be better prepared to succeed in learning.

There are children in all neighbourhoods who struggle with poverty and school readiness. There are also children from new Canadian families who have difficulties accessing books for their homes.

How do we get books to these youngsters?

- ✓ The goal for 1,000 books by Age 5 is to ask families to donate, or "recycle" the books their children have "outgrown" so other children can enjoy them
- ✓ Families at Vancouver Schools donate gently used picture books for children aged birth to five and Rotary members skillfully clean, sort and label these quality books
- ✓ Parents take picture books for babies and pre-schoolers to a yellow bin in their school designated for donations during a 2 week book drive
- ✓ Rotary-Arbutus members source and buy extra new books too
- ✓ With the expert help of Early Learning Teachers at Vancouver School District, Rotary members clean and label your recycled books and sort them for age and appropriateness
- ✓ Finally, books are given, through School District programs, to children to keep and enjoy

**\*\* There will be book bins at Bayview from February 27-March 10. Please remember these books are meant for 5 year olds. Thank you for supporting this event.**

## Important News From our PAC

### VALENTINE'S DAY BAKE SALE: FEB 14th RECESS

We are still looking for some baked goods donations for the recess bake sale on Feb. 14th. Items will be sold for \$1. (Ex: cupcakes/bars/cookies)

Donations to be dropped off on FEB 13th at Brie or Jess's house - we will send the address this weekend to those on the sign up list. (link below)

NO NUTS please.

To sign up for a donation please click on the link below:

BAKED GOODS DONATION SIGN UP:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0E4BA5A628ABF85-valentines>

### STAFF APPRECIATION LUNCH: FEB 16TH

We are looking forward to bringing back the potluck style for our staff appreciation lunch. To celebrate our amazing teachers and staff we will be setting up a lovely lunchtime offering on Thursday, Feb.16th. We are looking for food donations (make your favourite lunch food, a family recipe or whatever you want to donate!)

Be able to bring your dish, ready to eat to the school between 11 and 11:30. If you have a cold/non heated item, you can also arrange to drop it at Brie or Jess's house in the morning before 10:30am. You can also email the PAC if you need to drop the dish off at one of our houses the night before.

Please sign up at the link below BEFORE Feb. 10th, with the dish that you plan to bring so we can track food items and to ensure we have enough dishes to feed all the staff (33 staff and teachers!).

**STAFF LUNCH SIGN UP:** <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0E4BA5A628ABF85-staff1>

Volunteers Needed (We are still looking for a couple):

**SET UP:** 11:15am - 12pm to help set up/decorate tables and food.

**CLEAN UP:** 1:15pm - 2pm to help clean up. If you would like to volunteer for either or both of time slots, please email: [bayviewpac@gmail.com](mailto:bayviewpac@gmail.com)



### CABIN PARTY FUNDRAISER

We can't wait to see you all at the cabin party on Friday, March 3rd. Come get to know more parents, the Bayview community and celebrate our staff! Help us raise money: We all hope to be in the new school very soon, but we have a couple things left to do (playground!!) once we are in there, and we also expect a few unexpected costs will come up.

This is going to be a really fun event with a live band, silent auction, live auction, 50/50 draw and more! Tickets include a hot dog and snacks. Bar drinks sold separately. Please note that due to licensing regulations, all tickets must be sold ahead of time, there will be no tickets sold at the door! If you are unsure if you are able to make it, grab your ticket now, as it is also a great way to donate to the fundraiser!

If you still need to purchase your ticket, [CLICK HERE!](#)

*thank you*

Your generosity is overwhelming! All of these donations will be on their way to Syria and Turkey tomorrow. Thank you to Ms. Montagano and the Burton family for coordinating this effort.

