

# **LORD BYNG SECONDARY**

OUR VSB

# Newsletter

Friday February 2, 2024

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# **Message from the Principal**

Dear Lord Byng Students, Families and Community Members,

As you are all aware there was an accident on January 30, 2024, involving a student from our school at the corner of Wallace Street and 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Everyone here at the school is deeply saddened by this accident and our thoughts and prayers are with the student and their family at this very difficult time.

Throughout the week, our school community has been supported by the VSB Critical Incident Response Team that has been assisting the school's counselling team to support students and staff who have been impacted by the incident.

If your child needs support in dealing with the impact of this accident, please let the school know so we can arrange counselling assistance.

Additionally, many families and community members have reached out to the PAC and the school to seek ways to improve traffic and pedestrian safety in the school zone area on 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

The Byng PAC will facilitate an opportunity for students' families to bring their ideas and to voice their concerns at the next PAC meeting planned for Wednesday February 7, at 7:00 p.m. in the school library.

I am deeply grateful to the Byng PAC for providing this support for our school at this challenging time.

Mr. Wilmann - Lord Byng Principal

FEBRUARY 2024									
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY			
28	29	30	31	NO FIT Semester Turnaround Day (Semester 1) Byng Arts Auditions	NO FIT Semester Turnaround Day (Semester 1) Byng Arts Auditions	3			
4	5 AM FIT Period 1 2 3 4 Semester 2 Begins	Last Day for Course Changes Semester 2 Drama 9 Show - 7pm Theatre	Period 1 2 3 4 Course Planning Assemblies - Auditorium AM &PM	8 Semester 1 Final Reports MyED Published CLE 10 - Assembly FIT	9 AM FIT Period 1 2 3 4	10			
11	AM FIT Period 1 2 3 4	PM FIT CLC 11 - Assembly FIT	14 Period 1 2 3 4	Gr. 7 Parent Info Night 5-6pm Course Planning Night 6-7pm	District Wide PRO-D Day School Not in Session	17			
18	Family Day Statutory Holiday School Not In Session	PM FIT Period 1 2 3 4	Period 1 2 3 4 Collaborative Day AM (Students Start 10am)	PM FIT Period 1 2 3 4	AM FIT Period 1 2 3 4	24			
25	26 AM FIT Period 1 2 3 4	27 PM FIT Period 1 2 3 4	Period 1 2 3 4 Pink Shirt Day Byng Arts 1 <sup>st</sup> Round Offers	29 Lion Dance 10-12 CLE 10 @FIT Assembly/ Math Contest-FIT PM-4	1	2			



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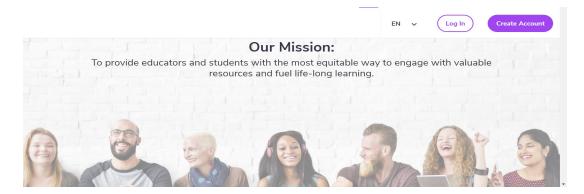
# **School News**

We are now down to the last 3 days of formal instructional time for S1 and as a school community are continuing to provide incredible opportunities for all our learners. Thank you to all of you for working so hard to complete final assignments, complete assessments, and work to provide engaging and active learning experiences for students at our school.

A major accomplishment from the past week was the formal recognition of Byng students for the incredible work that they have completed as part of the Career Education Grade 10 Program. As part of the CLC Program the entire grade 10 class was enrolled by the Program coordinator Ms. Kim Chong-Ping into the Chatterhigh online learning platform.

The program offers programming that includes **Social and Emotional Learning**, mental health and wellness education, career planning and a variety of other active learning opportunities.

# Social and Emotional Learning How do we nurture the social and emotional wellbeing of all our students?



Thanks to the efforts of our Career Education Teachers and Career Education 10 students the school has been formally recognized as the coming in second place on Canada's Most Informed School on the AAAA leaderboard for Let's Talk Canada's Most Informed School Competition.

Staff and students met to receive their awards on Tuesday that included a \$900 cheque for the school as well as cheques for students that had been recognized for their exceptional efforts.

Great job Byng and thank you to all the Career Education 10 staff that have supported students along this learning journey:

Ms. Rupi Sadhra, Ms. Hattie Chen, Ms. Kim Chong-Ping, Ms. Michelle Moldowan, Ms. Jesssica Erwin, Mr. Nick Boulding, Mr. Kevin Sandher.

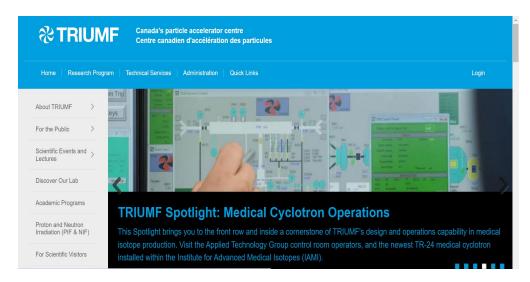
Figure 1 Byng students and staff are recognized for their online contribution to the Chatterhigh learning platform.

# Other Highlights Included:

ELC Students Visit the TRIUMF Particle Accelerator and find out about the future of nuclear physics.

- Personal Passion comes to life with photography student learning how to use an antique camera.
- Dance Brings Learning to Life in Physical Education and French classes at Byng.
- Strings and Choir Perform for the Byng Community

ELC Students Visit the TRIUMF Particle Accelerator and find out about the future of nuclear physics.



Mr. Koscal and Ms. Adrienne Conner took the ELC class onto the UBC campus to find out about nuclear physics and the contribution of the research centre to the progress of modern science.

TRIUMF is Canada's particle accelerator centre. From the hunt for the smallest particles in the universe to the development of new technologies, including next-generation batteries and medical isotopes, TRIUMF is pushing the frontiers in research to advance science, medicine, and industry.

Students had an opportunity to ask questions and to engage in an interactive learning opportunity providing them with another chance to discover the inner workings of this important science research facility in our own backyard!



Figure 2 ELC Students receive firsthand information from scientists as they tour the TRIUMF research facility on Friday.

# Student Engagement

How do we build student curiosity and imagination in the process of lifelong learning?

Personal Passion comes to life with photography student learning how to use an antique camera.

Supporting students to develop a personal passion for learning is one of the key goals of the Revised BC Curriculum and is clearly reflected in the Core Competencies of Learning. One example of this is the Capstone 12 Final Project in which students prepare a passion project focused on a key area of learning and connected to a long-term career goal.

Throughout their 8-12 learning journey students can develop their skills and create ideas for possible Capstone 12 Projects. One good example of a student project that may lead to a further Capstone 12 project was completed in a Grade 11 photography class by Grade 11 student Alex Tuppurainen.

Here is an update on the project in which Alex works with antique photography equipment and develops photographs using chemicals in the studio dark room:

Film photography is extremely important for me. Unlike digital photography, film allows the mind to ponder, encouraging the photographer to take time framing and planning before every shot. Every image takes many days to create. For the process, I first set up the camera. Then I shoot 4 photographs onto 4x5 negative paper. Last, I take the paper and develop it in the darkroom. The entire process is done in the dark because the paper is light sensitive. It is extremely rewarding to have an image that worked out after such a lengthy process.





Figure 3 Step 1 setting up the camera.

Figure 4 Step 2 in the dark room developing the photograph.







# **Active Learning and Student Engagement**

Other examples this week of Student engagement through Active Learning included students learning how to dance Bollywood style in Dance classes and to engage in Improv Theatre in French classes.

Here is a quick look at some of this learning with an update from Modern languages Department Head Ms. Shelby Calman:

All of the French classes participated in improv workshops with the company Théâtre la seizième.



They got to spend time learning how to use French skills in a different context and the workshops were a great opportunity for students to work on their social-emotional skills.

# Social and Emotional Learning

How do we nurture the social and emotional wellbeing of all our students?

Figure 6 Students learn both language and social and emotional literacy in this workshop

facilitated by company Théâtre la seizième

Meanwhile students in the Grade 11 classes with Ms. Kim Chong-Ping learned how to dance Bollywood style in a dance class that was both fun and active as well as

inclusive supporting the school's Inclusion and Diversity Pillar of Learning.



Figure 7 Bollywood dancing brings Inclusion and Diversity to life in this Grade 11 Dance Class.



# Inclusion and Diversity

What pedagogical practices can we use to support all our learners?

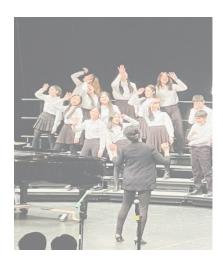
# Strings and Choir Perform for the Byng Community

It was a night to remember with both Choir and Strings performing on a rainy Wednesday and Friday night in the LB Auditorium.

Figure 8 Musical Choir Director Ms. Lan leads the LB Junior Choir on Wednesday evening.

Figure 9 LB Strings and Choir perform side by side in the beautiful concert held at the school this week!

Thank you, Ms. Lan and Ms. Anderson, for two incredible evenings showcasing both the hard work and skill of your student performers!



# Student Engagement

How do we build student curiosity and imagination in the process of lifelong learning?



Theatre 9 Show: The Witch's Princess - FEB 6th

TITLE: The Witch's Princess

WHEN: Tuesday February 6th. 7pm.

WHERE: Lord Byng Auditorium (off Crown Street)

**WHAT**: When Princess Alessandra's father the king offers her hand in marriage to the knight who can slay the evil bog witch and lift the curse, there's only one thing for the princess to do: Sneak out of the castle and kill the witch herself to avoid marriage. But she first assembles a crack crew of the deadliest monsters in myth and legend to help. A rollicking and wild quest of magic and adventure. (Appropriate for all ages)

**LENGTH:** Approx. 1hr 45min **PRICES:** Students 5\$. Adults \$10.

**Tickets Purchased on:** https://vsb.schoolcashonline.com/ or at the door.

Byng Arts Theatre 9 presents:

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Please note: For those who have purchased tickets to the January 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> show, can attend on either dates (Jan 22<sup>nd</sup> or Feb 6<sup>th</sup>). Proof of payment will be required at the door.

# **School Nurse Visit**

Did you know our public health nurse Alana has office hours at lunch time every other Monday?! Come in to introduce yourself and feel free to ask any questions. Everyone is welcome!

# **Byng Athletics**

# Lord Byng Ultimate Frisbee Team

The last tryout for the Lord Byng Ultimate Frisbee team is on Monday, February 5<sup>th</sup> from 3:30-5pm on the field by our tennis courts. Please email Ms. Chen (<a href="https://hnchen@vsb.bc.ca">hnchen@vsb.bc.ca</a>) if you have questions. Thank you.



# Track and Field

Track and Field is starting! Anyone interested in being on the school track and field team this year, please sign up with Mr. Jack in the PE office. Pre-season training will take place at 7:45 am, in the gym, every Tuesday and Thursday in February. Starting in March, most practices will be after school from 3:30 to approximately 5 pm at Camosun Park (days of the week have not been determined yet). Some specialty practices, like hurdles and high jump, will continue to take place in the mornings. Competition days are also to be determined. A full schedule will be available after Spring Break.

Also, after Spring Break, meetings will take place every Monday at lunch in the main gym. If there is no school on a Monday, the meeting will be on a Tuesday.

The Track and Field team is the largest team in the school. It is co-ed and all grades. We don't make cuts (no one will be eliminated from the team). The team won 11 City Championships in a row ending in 2023. Last year, we placed second to Kitsilano, so this year we will try to recapture the title. Despite our competitive nature, we are still an all-inclusive team. We encourage students of all abilities to join. Managers are also needed. The Track and Field team is a great way to get involved at Byng, work on your general fitness, improve your strength, power, speed, and endurance for another sport, or make new friends.

Mr. Jack

# **Graduation Status Update-Information for Families**

Starting in the 2023-24 school year, students in Grades 10-12 will receive a Graduation Status Update with their February and June report card. This is a brochure from the BC government with more information. If you have questions about your child's Graduation Status Update, please contact the school counsellor. Also, please visit the Grade 12 page on the school website. Graduation Status Update Information For Families **Updated Feb 1, 2024** 

What information is included in the Graduation Status Update?

# **Graduation Pathway**

- Students are on one of two graduation pathways from grade 10 to 12: Dogwood or Dual Dogwood (French Immersion). Click here for more information on the graduation pathways.
- For students on a modified school program, click <u>here</u> for information on the Evergreen School Completion Certificate.

# Required & Elective Credits

 Students must complete a minimum of 80 credits (52 required credits + 28 elective credits). Click <u>here</u> for more information on graduation requirements.

# **Provincial Assessments**

• Provincial assessments will only show as completed once they have been processed by the Ministry. Click <a href="here">here</a> for more information on these assessments.

# Indigenous Grad Requirement

All students must complete a course which fulfills this requirement. In many cases, this course will also satisfy
another graduation requirement in English or Social Studies. Click <a href="here">here</a> for more information on the IndigenousFocused Graduation Requirement.

Where is the Graduation Status Update located in MyEd?



library. Please bring your concerns and also your suggestions and ideas.

### **Lost and Found**

Please check the lost and found table located outside the school office on the second floor for lost clothing items, umbrellas, shoes, binders, backpacks, etc.

For smaller items, please come to the school office. All items will be donated to charity at the end of the month.

### **PAC News**

**NEXT PAC MEETING** - As a parent community, we were devastated to learn of the tragic accident on 16th Avenue involving a student of Byng last week. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family during this very difficult time and we wish the student a speedy recovery. Recent events have certainly highlighted significant concern amongst our Byng community, and we will work with the school to determine how best to advocate for improved student safety. To support this effort, the PAC will create a Safety Sub-Committee. If you are interested in being part of this committee, please email <a href="mailto:lordbyngschoolpac@gmail.com">lordbyngschoolpac@gmail.com</a>. Participation will require daytime meetings and some time commitment. We will also discuss this issue at our PAC meeting next week, Wednesday, February 7th, 2024, 7pm in the school

WEDNESDAY MORNING WALKS IN PACIFIC SPIRIT PARK. For Parents who would like to enjoy nature while making new connections in the Byng community, please join us for our Wednesday walks. All are welcome. We will meet at the steps at the front of the school on Wed Feb 7th at 9:00 am. Please RVSP to Nora at noradyng@hotmail.com

### SUPPORT LORD BYNG WHILE YOU BUY GROCERIES

The Lord Byng PAC has partnered with Sungiven and Stongs grocery stores. When you shop at either store, Byng receives a rebate (at no extra cost to you) and these funds are used to support clubs, activities, new programs, and new equipment at Byng.

- Sungiven (Yuanchu) Purchase a pre-paid grocery card using this order form and Byng receives a percentage of the value of your purchase. Instructions: fill out the order form, pay for your pre-paid grocery card, and pick up your grocery card between 9-10am on the last day of the month at the Byng entrance facing Crown Street. Orders are due by the 25th of each month. The first 30 participants receive additional gifts from Sungiven. Orders can be paid by etransfer, Wechat Pay and Union Pay now. + ORDER FORM
- Stongs Market Shop on-line at <a href="www.stongs.com">www.stongs.com</a> and they will donate 4% back to Lord Byng PAC as part of their rebate program. Items can be purchased online and delivered to your home or picked up in-store. Select Lord Byng Secondary under "Choose a School for Our Rebate Program" during check-out (not available in-store). Any questions please email <a href="mailto:lbpacgiftcards@gmail.com">lbpacgiftcards@gmail.com</a>.

PLEASE JOIN OUR EMAIL LIST – The PAC has created its own email list to communicate directly with parents. Please sign-up now using the QR code below or by visiting the PAC website and clicking subscribe https://www.lordbyngpac.com/



GRAD 2024 – To join the Parent Grad Committee Distribution list click here: <a href="https://forms.gle/N7jgxoJs7w4LAUNe6">https://forms.gle/N7jgxoJs7w4LAUNe6</a>. For any questions about Grad Committee please email <a href="mailto:bynggradcommittee2024@gmail.com">bynggradcommittee2024@gmail.com</a>.

BYNG ARTS PARENT GROUP MEETING: Several parents have started a Byng Arts parent group for families with Byng Arts students. Any questions please email <a href="mailto:byngartsparents@gmail.com">byngartsparents@gmail.com</a>

**CHINESE PARENT SUPPORT INFORMATION:** 

每周学校新闻的中文版和中文播报将更新在PAC 官网上

PAC 邮箱接受中文邮件,中国家长可以将他们的问题或者疑虑发中文邮件到lordbyngschoolpac@gmail.com

# 2023/24 PAC Meeting Dates:

February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024 in person library February 21, 2024 (Cancelled) April 17, 2024 May 15, 2024

For any PAC related questions or concerns please email us at <a href="mailto:lordbyngschoolpac@gmail.com">lordbyngschoolpac@gmail.com</a> or visit <a href="mailto:https://www.lordbyngpac.com/">https://www.lordbyngpac.com/</a>. We look forward to connecting with you! Lord Byng PAC

# **Collaboration Day Schedule**

Collaboration Dates: Students arrive at 10am No F.I.T.						
Sept 20; Oct 18; Nov 15; Jan 17; Feb 21; April 24;						
May 15; June 19						
Period 1	10:00-10:40					
Break	10:40-10:50					
Period 2	10:50-11:30					
Lunch	11:30-12:15					
Period 3	12:15-1:35					
Break	1:35-1:40					
Period 4	1:40-3:00					

# **Byng Calendars**

Please visit the Lord Byng School website. https://www.vsb.bc.ca/lord-byng/\_ci/p/65391

# **Lord Byng Daily Schedule**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
FIT				FIT
8:40 - 9:20				8:40 - 9:20
BLOCK 1				
9:20 - 10:20	8:40 - 10:00	8:40 - 10:00	8:40 - 10:00	9:20 - 10:20
BREAK	BREAK	BREAK	BREAK	BREAK
10:20 - 10:30	10:00 - 10:10	10:00 - 10:10	10:00 - 10:10	10:20 -10:30
BLOCK 2				
10:30 - 11:30	10:10 - 11:30	10:10 - 11:30	10:10-11:30	10:30 - 11:30
LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
11:30 - 12:15	11:30 - 12:15	11:30 - 12:15	11:30 - 12:15	11:30 - 12:15
BLOCK 3				
12:15 - 1:35	12:15 - 1:15	12:15 - 1:35	12:15 - 1:15	12:15 - 1:35
BREAK	BREAK	BREAK	BREAK	BREAK
1:35 - 1:40	1:15 - 1:20	1:35 - 1:40	1:15 - 1:20	1:35 - 1:40
	FIT		FIT	
	1:20 -2:00		1:20 - 2:00	
BLOCK 4				
1:40 - 3:00	2:00 - 3:00	1:40 - 3:00	2:00 - 3:00	1:40 - 3:00

# **2023/2024 School Fees**

Please pay your school fees. Payment for school fees via SchoolCash Online.

Vancouver Coastal Health – When Should I Keep My Sick Child Home from School?

Please keep your child home until they are able to participate fully in normal school activities or as told by a health care provider.

You can refer to the Vancouver Coastal Health resource:

https://www.vch.ca/en/when-should-i-keep-my-sick-child-home-school

# **Elevator Use for Students with Mobility Issues**

We need to provide the safest means of transport for our community when they have mobility issues: currently our **elevators** work with a **key.** 

Therefore, students experiencing mobility issues should be guided by staff to:

- Go to or send a student runner:
  - Basement A006
  - 1st floor- A100
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> floor- School Office
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> floor –Rm A316 to obtain key/help

If any other difficulties, please contact the school office.

# **Medical Care Plan Forms / Medication**

If your son/daughter has a medical condition: diabetes, seizures, anaphylaxis, asthma, or other medical concerns, please come to the office to pick up a medical care plan form. It is important that the school is informed of any medical condition that may require emergency care at school and have updated information on file.

It is strongly recommended that students who carry emergency medications such as inhalers, epi-pens or diabetic emergency kits keep these medications or supplies with them at all times in a fanny pack, purse or backpack which travels to class and on field trips with them.

### **FORMS**

Online forms: Please visit <a href="http://myforms.vsb.bc.ca">http://myforms.vsb.bc.ca</a> and fill out the following forms online.

- 1) VSB Media Consent 2023 2024
- 2) External Media Consent Form 2023 2024
- 3) Grade 4-12 AUP Form (Acceptable Use of Technology Policy) very important, read through this carefully with your child.
- 4) Adobe CC Consent Form (for parents/guardians)
- 5) Adobe CC Acknowledgement of Use (for students)
- 6) CASL Consent Form 2023 -2024 (Communicating for parents and guardians)

When logging into <a href="http://myforms.vsb.bc.ca">http://myforms.vsb.bc.ca</a> please make sure you are entering your child's PEN and not their student number. Students can find their PEN number on their report card.

Thank you for your cooperation, it is important that we have all families return/submit all of the forms posted here.

# **Counselling Update**

A-Gr Ms. Milinazzo <u>kmilinazzo@vsb.bc.ca</u>
Gs-L Ms . Radic <u>jradic@vsb.bc.ca</u>

M-Te Ms. Tanner/Ms. Davies ktanner@vsb.bc.ca cdavies@vsb.bc.ca

Tf-Z Ms. VanderKlippe <u>mvanderklippe@vsb.bc.ca</u>

### Semester 2

Tuesday, Feb 6<sup>th</sup> - Last Day For Course Changes Semester 2

# **Course Planning Assemblies**

Wednesday, February 7<sup>th</sup> Grade 11s period 2-1 Grade 10s period 2-2

Grade 9s period 2-3

Grade 8s period 2-4

Course planning is due on Feb. 19. All requests must be entered into MyEd by this date.

# Gr. 7 Parent Info Night & Course Planning Info Night - Thursday, Feb 15th

Thursday, Feb 15<sup>th</sup> – 5-6pm School Auditorium (Incoming Grade 8's) Thursday, Feb 15<sup>th</sup>

- Grades 8-9 Library 6-7pm
- Grades 10-11 Auditorium 6-7pm

### **Graduation Letter**

Counsellors have finished meeting with all students who have any outstanding requirements towards their graduation. We will be emailing letters home, and also giving a copy to your student only if they have some outstanding courses needed for graduation. Please note that we will be working closely with these students and helping them plan a way to complete all of their high school grad requirements. Here is a blank form of our letter:

<u>Grade 12 Graduation Letter</u> Grad Requirement Letter

# **Counselling Teams**

Any new Byng students? Please let your counsellor know and ask them to add you to our Counselling Teams group. This is where we post a lot of information regarding: **post-secondary school options, scholarships,** extra-curricular opportunities, mental health resources, work opportunities, to name a few. Each grade has their own Counselling teams eg. Grade 12, 11, 10, 9 and 8 (Counselling 2023/24).

# **Art Info**

# **Upcoming Calendar of Art Events @ BYNG**

Join us and see what the Fine Art students are doing...

# **FEBRUARY**

6 Tues. Drama 9 Presents: The Witch's Princess – 7pm Theatre

You can't get smART without Art!

### **Call For Yearbook Art Submissions**

Get your artwork into this year's annual!!! CLICK HERE to submit. Do this today, without delay.



# **Byng Arts**

# New Applicants to the Program -

Auditions took place on February 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> during the semester turnaround days. Email invitations were sent out to all shortlisted applicants. Our audition list is also posted on our website: <a href="https://byng2.vsb.bc.ca/byngarts/">https://byng2.vsb.bc.ca/byngarts/</a>

Audition formats for each area of focus is available by clicking: Selection Process section.

Email: <a href="mailto:byngarts@vsb.bc.ca">byngarts@vsb.bc.ca</a> with your questions.

# **Byng Arts Passport:**

passport.lordbyng.net

Passport will be reviewed at the end of the semester. You should have a minimum of seven (7) events by that point.

All successful accounts that have unlocked seven or more badges will be entered into a draw prize in the new year, so get your art on everyone!

# Potential Badges to unlock:



# **Byng Arts Student Council Info**

Student council meets every Thursdays in room A223. Everyone is welcome. We will post updates on TEAMS and Instagram (@byngartstudentcouncil)

# **Meeting Notes**

Coffee House Monday February 12

Teacher Fundraiser (Can you Sing, Can You Dance) – March 13 Foodbank Donations as target

Byng Arts T-Shirts Order Form is on Teams

Contact Mr. Hartley-Folz if you have any Byng Arts questions (<a href="mailto:jhartley@vsb.bc.ca">jhartley@vsb.bc.ca</a>)