



## Newsletter

Friday Dec 6, 024

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### Message from the Principal

**Dear Lord Byng Students and Families,**

Happy Friday to everyone and thanks to our staff, parents and community for the holiday cheer and seasonal fun that is beginning as we start the month of December.

Once again, this year the annual Winter Tree sale is up and running and helps to add to the spirit of the season. All funds raised from this event contribute to the school and help run programming in the Physical Education Department.

Please see the update on sales below:

Our traditional fundraiser for Byng Athletics is open for business. Please come support our Byng Athletics program by purchasing a holiday tree.

Our tree lot will be open from Nov 29<sup>th</sup> – Dec 17<sup>th</sup> (or until all trees are sold). Please help support Byng Athletics!

Cash and Credit Card will be accepted.

Weekdays: 12:30pm – 8:00pm

Weekend: 10am – 6pm

Thank you to all the volunteers this holiday season and for those of you that have already purchased a tree, we really appreciate all you support for our school.

Have a great weekend!

Mr. Wilmann

DECEMBER 2024						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3 UBC Sauder Visit @ FIT A323	4	5 Drama 10 Performance 6:30pm Theatre	6 Fire Drill @1:15pm CANCELLED	7
8	9	10 Drama 10 Performance 6:30pm Theatre	11 CE9 Assembly 1-3 @12:15 Auditorium CLE 10 Assembly @1:40 Aud	12	13	14
15	16	17	18 Gr. 8 Movie Day w/ PC's 12-3pm Aud	19 FIT for Learning – FIT Freeze Deadline Byng Arts Application	20 Last Day of Classes Airband – PM Blocks	21
22	23 Winter Break	24 Winter Break	25 Winter Break	26 Winter Break	27 Winter Break	28
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Highlights for the past week included:

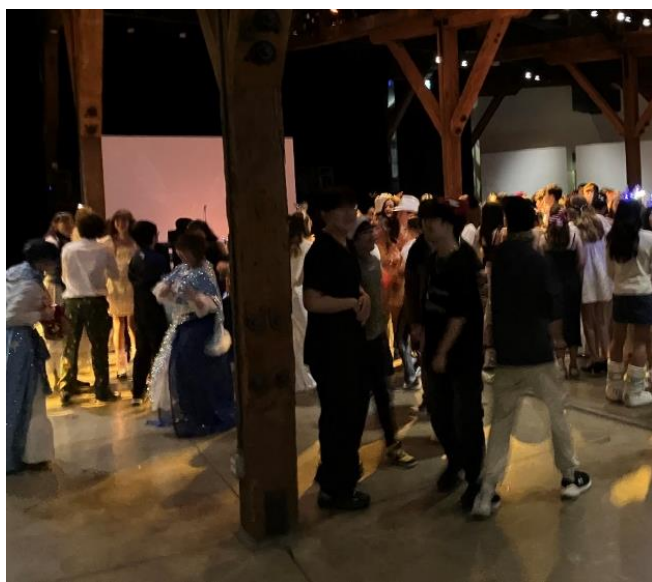
- Byng Arts Gala celebrates the Theme of Winter
- Seasonal Tree Lot Lights Up Our School
- Truth & Reconciliation: The Journey Continues
- Career Education 11 & 12 Students Learn from Byng Alumni

**Byng Arts Gala Celebrates Winter 2024-25**



*Figure 1 A Winter Land Greeted the staff, students and parent volunteers at the Vancouver Roundhouse for the 2024-25 Byng Arts Fine Arts Gala*

*Figure 2 One of the main highlights for the evening was the costume dance!!!*



Thank you to Mr. Jon Hartley-Folz and the entire Byng Arts student and parent community and all the Byng staff that came out to support the incredible Byng Arts Gala night at the Vancouver Roundhouse on Wednesday night. With music, dance and student performances it was a night to remember.

### Seasonal Tree Lot Lights Up Our School

Other seasonal highlights this week included the arrival of the annual Winter Holiday Trees for the winter season with everyone in the PE Department and other loyal volunteers stepping up to unload and to set up the tree lot for this year's seasonal fundraising sales.



*Figure 3 PE Department Head Ms. Kim Chong-Ping opens the store in the new Byng Sales Tent for the Holiday Season!*

*Figure 4 Mr. Sandher and Leadership Students are ready for the seasonal tree lot sale!*

The Truth and Reconciliation journey continued this week with Martin Sparrow from the Musqueam Nation inviting classes to participate in a series of paddle teaching workshops. So far twelve classes have attended this introductory workshop with the second workshop in the series now planned that will involve Martin visiting classrooms to complete the carving and painting of the ceremonial paddles with the students and their teacher.

Another first step for our Reconciliation journey was held last week with students from the entire Vancouver School District through a Microsoft Teams broadcast. The broadcast was led

by the renowned Indigenous Artist Andy Everson from the Khomoks First Nation on Vancouver Island. During the presentation Andy shared his history, culture and background and spoke about the many traditions and teachings that had been forbidden and punished because of the Indian Act and the bans on the Potlatch ceremony and other cultural practices.



*Figure 5 Musqueam Artist Martin Sparrow shares cultural teachings with Byng students in the Art Gallery*



During the presentation Andy shared his life journey and explained how he became a renowned internationally recognized artist. He also went on to describe how he infused his traditional West Coast artistic heritage with contemporary Western images including the fusion of characters from the Star Wars series and images created to celebrate sporting accomplishments by the Vancouver Canucks.



*Figure 6 Indigenous Artist Any Everson shared his life story and journey to becoming a renowned international artist with students throughout the Vancouver School District in a Fit for Learning Teams*

### Career Education 11 & 12 Students Learn from Byng Alumni

Senior Career Educations students in Grades 11 and 12 attended an important Career Education presentation by a panel of four former Byng students. The students were all recent graduates from Byng and were invited to participate in a panel and to share their experiences at post-secondary institutions. The panel was hosted by Career Education Coordinator Mr. Sean Nugent who asked the participants several important and invited questions from the students.



*Figure 7 Alumni panel hosted by Mr. Nugent discuss their experiences at post-secondary institutions.*

Thanks Ms. Kim Chong-Ping and Mr. Mr. Nugent for providing this important learning opportunity to support our senior students as they prepare to transition beyond high school!

And as we head closer to the start of the December holiday season thank you to everyone for your incredible energy and hard work to keep all our learners engaged and focused on learning. Not an easy task, especially as the holiday season begins.



## **Holiday Tree Lot Open for Business**

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## **Byng Arts Theatre 10 Presents: PROOF**

Byng Arts Theatre 10 Presents: PROOF, by David Auburn.

**December 5<sup>th</sup> and 10th, 6:30pm. Byng Auditorium. \$5 Students, \$10 adults.**

Catherine is a math genius, struggling to prove herself to those who don't believe that she - or any female - could be so talented. <https://vsb.schoolcashionline.com/Fee/Details/147672/196/False/True>

## **Grade 9 Boys Volleyball Open Gym**

Starting Friday, December 6th, any grade 9 boys interested in playing volleyball this spring are invited to an open gym Fridays at 3pm to work on skill development before the season starts. Tryouts will be held nearer to the start of the season. For more info, contact Mr. Richardson

## **Lord Byng Choir Program – Shredding Fundraiser – Dec 14<sup>th</sup>**

"The Lord Byng Choir program will be offering their annual Shredding Fundraiser on Saturday, December 14 from 10:00am - 2:00pm! Tired of boxes of documents and papers collected over the years? Come by the Byng Staff parking lot on December 14! Stand back, relax, and watch all your documents shredded right before your eyes! We hope to see you there and thank you for your support for music education!"



LORD BYNG CHOIR  
**PAPER SHREDDING FUNDRAISER**

WHEN: SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14TH  
WHERE: LORD BYNG STAFF PARKING LOT  
3939 WEST 16TH AVE  
TIME: 10 AM - 2 PM

Suggested Donation:  
\$15/bag  
\$20/box

**Peer Counsellors Covenant House Fundraising**

The Peer Counsellors are fundraising and doing a food drive for the Covenant House. The Covenant House is a non-profit that supports homeless youth in Vancouver. Please bring cash or non-perishable food donations to the counselling suite from now until December 20<sup>th</sup>.

The Peer Counsellors will also be selling \$2 tickets for a bag of chips for the Gr. 8 movie day on December 18<sup>th</sup>. The funds from the chips will also be donated to Covenant House. The tickets will be for sale on December 13<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, and 17<sup>th</sup> at lunch outside the counselling suite. The chips will then be handed out at the movie for those who bought a ticket. There will not be ticket sales on the day of the movie.

Please email Kathleen Milinazzo for any questions about this fundraiser or gr. 8 movie day.

**Student Excused Absences Procedure -Update**

When a student is ill, or away for an excused reason, a parent/guardian must email the school at [byngabsences@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:byngabsences@vsb.bc.ca) Cutoff for each day is 2pm. If we receive your email after 2pm we will record your child’s absence the next day.

**To avoid confusion due to the block flip, when reporting a partial day absence please report for what period of time your child will be away instead of which period they will be missing.**

Please state your child’s:

Full Name (first and last name)
Student Number
Grade
Date(s) of Absence
Reason of Absence
<b>Duration of Absence: please indicate if this is a full day absence or for what period of time your child will be away</b>
Copy to teachers so they are aware – email addresses located on school website

**Student Verification Forms – Please Verify Information**

We have updated the information from the verification forms that we have received. Please confirm that the information in MyEd BC is accurate (home address, emails, emergency contacts and numbers). We have also encountered difficulty reaching parent guardians when a student has been ill. Please ensure that we have a contact number for emergency situations. The school needs current up to date information.

**VSB Consent Forms – Please complete ALL FORMS**

Consent forms are now online <https://myforms.vsb.bc.ca>; **enter your child’s PEN and birthdate**; accept the consent for each of the forms; **not** accepting or completing implies decline.

**Please complete ALL forms:**

Adobe CC Acknowledgement of Use (for students)
Adobe CC Consent (for parents/guardians)

Canada Anti-Spam Legislation Consent
External Media Consent
G4-12 Student AUP
Neighbourhood Class Walk Consent
VSB Media Consent
Yearbook Media Consent

## **School Cash Online**

Please pay all school fees via School Cash Online. <https://vsb.schoolcashionline.com/>

## **Canley Cup 2024**

Student Council is collecting donations for the Canley Cup, a district school fundraiser competition that raises money for the Greater Vancouver Food Bank. Each dollar matters - one dollar donated equates to three cans of food for vulnerable populations.

To donate, there is an online donation form (<https://vfd.foodbank.bc.ca/fundraiser/lordbyng24>); Student Council grade representatives will also be coming around every Thursday requesting donations, with a donation collection box in the office as well. To incentivize donations, Student Council is running a raffle for food truck credit - students can donate in-person on Thursday in their third block class to be eligible. A newsletter shout-out will also be given to the top online donator!

## **Lost and Found Last Chance !**

Please check the lost and found table on the second floor for lost clothing items, shoes, lunchboxes, waterbottles and backpacks, etc. For smaller items, please come to the school office. All unclaimed items will be donated to charity over the winter break.

## **School Parking Lot**

Dear Parents and Students,

Parents and students should not be in the parking lot during school hours. This pertains to both in and out of the car. Also, reminder below:

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

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

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**

Students experiencing mobility issues should come to the office for an elevator key.



**Collaboration Dates and Schedule**

<b>Collaboration Dates</b>	
Sept. 18 • Oct. 16 • Nov. 13 • Jan. 15 • Feb. 19 • Apr. 16 • May 14 • Jun. 18	
<b>Block 1</b> (Students Start)	10:00 - 10:40
Break	
<b>Block 2</b>	10:40 - 10:50
Lunch	10:50 - 11:30
<b>Block 3</b>	11:30 - 12:15
Break	12:15 - 1:35
<b>Block 4</b>	1:35 - 1:40
	1:40 - 3:00

**School Calendar / Bell Schedules / Collaborative Days**

[2024-2025 School Calendar](#)

[Bell Schedule/Collaborative Day](#)

**How to Sign Up for Flexible Instruction Time “FIT”**

Please see link: [HERE](#) for instructions.

**Daily, FIT (Flexible Instructional Time)**

FIT time is a period of instructional time built into the Lord Byng schedule that gives our students the opportunity to have choice in their learning time. Examples of some ways to use FIT time include:

- Meeting with teachers for support in subject learning or completing assignments
  - Connecting with counsellors
  - Individual study time
  - Work Experience 11 and 12
- Attending tutorial sessions
  - Collaborating with peers on projects
  - Career Education lessons and meetings
  - Enrichment passion projects

Ultimately, FIT time empowers our students to take ownership of their own learning and gives them the opportunity to develop core competencies such as personal responsibility, self-regulation, goal setting, wellbeing, and communication.

**Lord Byng Daily, FIT Schedule**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>FIT</b> 8:40 - 9:20				<b>FIT</b> 8:40 - 9:20
<b>BLOCK 1</b> 9:20 - 10:20	<b>BLOCK 1</b> 8:40 - 10:00	<b>BLOCK 1</b> 8:40 - 10:00	<b>BLOCK 1</b> 8:40 - 10:00	<b>BLOCK 1</b> 9:20 - 10:20
<b>BREAK</b> 10:20 - 10:30	<b>BREAK</b> 10:00 - 10:10	<b>BREAK</b> 10:00 - 10:10	<b>BREAK</b> 10:00 - 10:10	<b>BREAK</b> 10:20 - 10:30
<b>BLOCK 2</b> 10:30 - 11:30	<b>BLOCK 2</b> 10:10 - 11:30	<b>BLOCK 2</b> 10:10 - 11:30	<b>BLOCK 2</b> 10:10-11:30	<b>BLOCK 2</b> 10:30 - 11:30
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	<b>FIT</b> 1:20 -2:00		<b>FIT</b> 1:20 - 2:00	
<b>BLOCK 4</b> 1:40 - 3:00	<b>BLOCK 4</b> 2:00 - 3:00	<b>BLOCK 4</b> 1:40 - 3:00	<b>BLOCK 4</b> 2:00 - 3:00	<b>BLOCK 4</b> 1:40 - 3:00

**Counselling Update**

**Counselling Staff**

A-G Ms. K. Milinazzo  
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 U-Z Ms. M. VanderKlippe

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**STS/BCeID**

Grade 11s and 12s students need to register for BCeID [Register for BCeID](#). Once they have their BCeID, they can log into sts website, and access their transcript, see their provincial exam results, etc. All grade 12 students have been instructed to use STS for sending their transcript to in province and out of province post-secondary institutions ([STS login](#)) .

**University Visits**

University visits are now completed. We encourage all grade 11s and 12s to keep checking Counselling Teams under Post secondary channel and see any updates/information.

**Scholarships**

Here is some scholarship info: Where Can I Look for Scholarships. This document was shared with grade 11s and 12 on Counselling Teams. Please see [link](#).

**Counselling Teams**

Counselling teams are now up and running. Please if you are a new student, 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, and work opportunities, to name a few. Each grade has their own Counselling Teams, eg. Grade 12 2024/25 (Counselling), Grade 11 2024/25 (Counselling), and so on...

## PAC News

PAC News Dec 06, 2024

### ~~ GENERAL PAC NEWS ~~

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#### November PAC meeting:

The PAC meeting on November 20 at 7:00 p.m. held online via Zoom was productive. Mr. Wilmann introduced the 2024-2025 school year's new enrichment programs, the 100th anniversary, and a summary of the Grade 8 camping trip. Please refer to the [link](#) for more details.

#### Direct Appeal letter:

##### Dear Parents and Guardians of Lord Byng Students,

Today marks the launch of our *Lord Byng PAC Annual Fundraising Campaign*, and we need your support more than ever! Thanks to your incredible generosity last year, we raised over **\$29,281.68 from the Direct Appeal** — an amount that made a *tangible difference* in the lives of our students. With your help, we were able to fund all or partial of crucial projects such as:

- Cardio Equipment for the Fitness Center: Hundreds of students use this space during and after school.
- Important equipment for ADST learning including metal workshop, photography, and foods
- Program support for numerous clubs including Science, Math, Debate, Robotics, Model UN, and many others
- Support for Byng's Indigenous education & Community partnership
- Funding to support Byng youth at risk program
- Anti-racism, inclusion and diversity initiatives
- Multi-purpose learning space (partial)

Every dollar raised was put to use, and nearly every student at Lord Byng benefited directly from these investments. *Thank you* for making that possible!

This year, our funding goals have grown, with an anticipated need of over **\$158,000** to continue improving the educational experience for our students. Some of the key areas that need your support include:

- **Outdoor Learning Space for STEM+ Art**
- **Adding Auditorium Stage Lightening**
- **Computer upgrade for Multi-purpose space of Fine Art & Applied Skills Department**
- **2025 Byng 100th Anniversary Celebration Ceremony**

Many of these requests come from dedicated staff members who generously volunteer their time and expertise to make these programs and initiatives successful. Your contributions enable us to equip them with the resources they need to continue their great work. For more details, please refer to [Principal Letter Direct Appeal 2024.pdf](#)

We are asking families who are able, to consider making a **\$150 donation**, which will be tax-receipted. **Please visit [SchoolCashOnline](#) to donate.**

*Be sure to select “Lord Byng Secondary PAC” (NOT Lord Byng Secondary) as the fund destination. In the “Message” field under the section “Message to School Board”, please make sure that you write “Lord Byng PAC Direct Appeal”. Please see a step-by-step instruction here [2024-25 Online Donation to PAC Direct Appeal Guide.pdf](#).*

Or visit the Lord Byng PAC website at [www.lordbyngpac.com](http://www.lordbyngpac.com) and click the “DONATE NOW!” button.

Every donation—large or small—makes a *real impact* on your child’s education and experience at Lord Byng. Your investment directly supports the programs that enrich their lives, both inside and outside the classroom.

Together, we can make Lord Byng an even better place for our children to grow, learn, and succeed. Thank you for your continued support!

Any questions please email [lordbyngschoolpac@gmail.com](mailto:lordbyngschoolpac@gmail.com)

Sincerely,  
The Lord Byng PAC

亲爱的Lord Byng学生的家长和监护人们：

今天，我们正式启动了Lord Byng家长委员会（PAC）年度筹款活动，我们比以往任何时候都更加需要您的支持！感谢您去年慷慨解囊，我们通过直接捐赠筹集了超过29,281.68加元，这笔资金在学生们的生活中发挥了重要作用。得益于您的帮助，我们能够资助一些关键项目的全额或部分费用，具体包括：

- 健身中心的心肺设备：成百上千的学生在课后和放学后使用这个空间。
- ADST（艺术、设计、技术与科学）课程所需的设备，包括金属工作坊、摄影及食品课程等。
- 对多个俱乐部的支持，包括科学、数学、辩论、机器人、模拟联合国等。
- 支持Byng的原住民教育与社区合作。
- 支持Byng的青少年风险项目。
- 反种族主义、包容性和多样性倡议。
- 多功能学习空间（部分资助）。

每一笔捐款都得到了充分利用，几乎所有Lord Byng的学生都直接受益于这些投资。感谢您让这一切成为可能！

今年，我们的筹款目标有所增加，预计需要超过158,000加元，以继续改善学生们的教育体验。一些关键领域需要您的支持，包括：

- STEM+艺术的户外学习空间。
- 增设礼堂舞台照明。
- 为美术与应用技能部门的多功能空间进行计算机升级。
- 2025年学校百年庆典活动。

许多这些请求来自于我们敬业的教职员工，他们慷慨地志愿奉献时间和专业知识，以确保这些项目和倡议的成功。您的捐款使我们能够为他们提供所需的资源，继续他们的伟大工作。更多详情，请参阅 [校长信-直接捐赠 2024Principal Letter Direct Appeal 2024.pdf](#)。



我们请求有能力的家庭考虑捐赠150加元，这笔款项将会获得税收回执。请访问[SchoolCashOnline](#)进行捐款，并确保选择“**Lord Byng Secondary PAC**”作为捐款目的地 (请注意不要错选成Lord Byng Secondary)。在“Message to School Board”部分的“留言”栏中，您需要填写“**Lord Byng PAC Direct Appeal**”。如果需要，您也可以参阅这份直接捐款网上操作指南[2024-25 Online Donation to PAC Direct Appeal Guide.pdf](#)。

您也可以访问Lord Byng PAC网站：[www.lordbyngpac.com](http://www.lordbyngpac.com) ,点击“立即捐赠！”按钮进行捐款。

每一笔捐款—无论大小—都对您孩子在Lord Byng的教育和成长产生了真实的影响。您的投资直接支持了丰富他们课堂内外生活的各类项目。

让我们共同努力，使Lord Byng成为一个更好的地方，让我们的孩子在这里茁壮成长、学习并取得成功。感谢您一直以来的支持！

如有任何问题，请通过电子邮件联系：[lordbyngschoolpac@gmail.com](mailto:lordbyngschoolpac@gmail.com)。

此致  
敬礼！  
Lord Byng PAC

### --Fundraising Initiatives--

#### \*Byng Student Handmade Greeting Card Sale

Our students will launch a crafted **handmade Greeting Cards Program** from this week to raise funds for their clubs and the school, while celebrating the holiday spirit. Each card reflects their hopes for society, nature, and the season, charged for 10\$ each. While they may not be perfect or the best price, these cards are a heartfelt expression of the students' creativity. As you share them with friends and family, you can proudly say, "These are the works of our talented students, you supported and contributed ." Your support means a lot to us and will contribute to our school community. Feel free to **place an order** [here](#).

**Card delivery will be between 9:00 -10:00 AM on December 13th(Friday) at the school entrance on Crown Street.** Thank you for your generosity! Any questions, feel free to contact [lbpacgiftcards@gmail.com](mailto:lbpacgiftcards@gmail.com).

### --2025 Byng Winter Fair event preparation--

2025 Byng Winter Fair will be organized on Thursday 3-8pm Jan 23th, 2025 @ Lord Byng Cafeteria (Crown street Entrance). Register [here](#) for **Free Booth now!-limited Space, First Come First Serve!** Any questions, feel free to contact [lbpacgiftcards@gmail.com](mailto:lbpacgiftcards@gmail.com).

#### JOIN THE PAC EMAIL LIST



The PAC sends out monthly PAC newsletters with important information for the parents and guardians. Please use this QR code to sign up for our newsletter or visit our website <https://www.lordbyngpac.com/> to subscribe. We look forward to connecting with you.

**\*NEW\* PAC Inclusion and Diversity Committee** - PAC would like to create a space for discussing issues related to inclusion and diversity at Byng. Please contact PAC Co Chair Jacqueline Crummey [j.crummey@icloud.com](mailto:j.crummey@icloud.com) (Email and WhatsApp group).

**\*NEW\* Fundraising & Event Organization Committee:** - PAC established this committee primarily to collaboratively ensure sufficient funding for more enriched programs for school students. Please contact PAC Co-chair May Lee [Maylca808@gmail.com](mailto:Maylca808@gmail.com) or Text message to 236-990-9228(Same as Whatsapp) or Wechat: Maylee2023.

**Wednesday Morning Walks** - For parents/guardians who want to enjoy nature while making new connections in the Byng community, please join us for our Wednesday 9 am walks.. Meet near the front entrance (W. 16th Ave). Please email to Nora at [noradyng@hotmail.com](mailto:noradyng@hotmail.com)

### ~~ DPAC INFO ~~

DPAC news. Please see any updated on [DPAC Info](#)

DPAC representatives: Cindy [cgroner18@gmail.com](mailto:cgroner18@gmail.com) Nora [noradyng@hotmail.com](mailto:noradyng@hotmail.com)

### ~~ GRAD 2025 PARENT INFO ~~

#### Grade 12 Parents List

- Join the [Grad Parents Registration form](#) to get updates of Grad info.
- If you would like to be part of the Grad Committee, please send an email directly to the grad committee – [bynggradcommittee2025@gmail.com](mailto:bynggradcommittee2025@gmail.com)

#### IMPORTANT UPCOMING GRAD FUNDRAISERS

1. **GRAD 2025 Purdy's Fundraiser** - Pick up date is December 7th. Contact [janinekobyłka@gmail.com](mailto:janinekobyłka@gmail.com) with any questions. Thanks for your support!
2. Thanks to the Grad students, parents/guardians, friends and family who helped make our first few fundraisers for our Grad class of 2025 so great! We will be doing our direct donation drive in the new year, stay tuned!

#### GRAD DATES and LOCATIONS:

- Graduation Ceremony - UBC Chan Centre - FRIDAY, June 6, 2025
- GRAD DINNER AND DANCE - The Nest UBC - SATURDAY, June 14, 2025
- PROM - The Marriott Pinnacle Downtown Vancouver - SUNDAY, June 22, 2025

### ~~ BYNG ARTS PARENTS INFO ~~

**Weekly updates** Byng Arts PAC sub-committee had an in-person meeting on Dec 4 from 6-7 in the school library.

**BYNG ARTS PARENTS SURVEY** Mr. Hartley-Folz invites all Byng Arts parents to fill out this [short survey](#) to get to know all the parents better.

**BYNG ARTS PARENTS GROUP** – Byng has a [Byng Arts Parents Group](#) and a Byng Arts PAC subcommittee. Please join! <https://www.lordbyngpac.com/byng-arts-parents>. Stay connected on WhatsApp. Join the "All Parents" and the subgroup you belong to <https://chat.whatsapp.com/LebbGtqRocv31UU1OA0w38>.

~~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，说中文的家长可以将他们的问题或者疑虑发中文邮件到 [lordbyngschoolpac@gmail.com](mailto:lordbyngschoolpac@gmail.com)

Upcoming PAC meetings (all at 7pm): Nov 20, 2024; Jan 22, 2025, Feb 19, 2025, April 23, 2025, May 21, 2025. For any PAC-related questions or concerns please email us at [lordbyngschoolpac@gmail.com](mailto:lordbyngschoolpac@gmail.com) or visit <https://www.lordbyngpac.com/>

We look forward to connecting with you! - Lord Byng PAC

### Art News

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#### Upcoming Performances at Byng

- December 10<sup>th</sup>: Drama Performance
  - Theatre 10 presents Proof at 7pm

#### Winter Art Market in the Foyer – December 11 to 17<sup>th</sup>

Food Bank Fundraiser – Buy your candles today!

The Art Department is busy at work making cards and candles for the Winter Art Market.

Come by the gallery foyer to buy your cards and candles in person or use this [LINK](#) to order your candle online. (We will add the amount to your School Cash Account for easy payment). Choose from:

- CLARITY: Awaken your senses with Rosemary, Lavender & Mint (\$12)
- CITRUS & SPICE: Enjoy the fragrances of Orange, Cinnamon & Pine (\$12)
- Or choose one of each for \$20

All money earned will be given to our local food bank to help families during the holiday season.

Candles are naturally scented with soy-based wax. Candles and cards were all made with love by our creative art students

#### Chan Centre - Call for Artists (Deadline December 6<sup>th</sup>)

The Chan Centre for the Performing Arts at the University of British Columbia is thrilled to announce an exciting opportunity for young, emerging visual and digital artists.



The Chan Centre invites talented visual artists between the ages of 15 and 22 to collaborate with us at our upcoming concert, **GET CLASSICAL! With Ian Parker**, part of the *Inspired at the Chan* family series. This unique project will allow selected artists to have their work projected onstage during a live music performance by Vancouver's acclaimed pianist, Ian Parker, on **Sunday, March 9, 2025**.

This collaboration is designed to let young artists contribute their vision and creativity to a live performance for an audience of 1,000. We're seeking artists who can create visual content—such as animations, film, photography, or sequential images—that will complement and enhance the music, providing an immersive experience for our audience.

### Key Details:

- **Who:** Young visual and digital artists (ages 15–22)
- **What:** Visual art to complement live music on stage
- **Event:** GET CLASSICAL! With Ian Parker, March 9, 2025, at the Chan Centre for the Performing Arts
- **How to Apply:** Interested artists should submit the attached application form by **December 6, 2024**.

### [APPLICATION FORM](#)

### VanArts! Media Programs

#### OPEN HOUSE: Wednesday, December 11th

- Last Open House of the year! Come and see our purpose-built campus on Terminal Avenue in Vancouver (one block from Main Street/Science World Station), including our classrooms, acting and photography studios.
- **When:** Wednesday, December 11th – 5pm to 7pm (Drop by anytime!)
- **Where:** VanArts, 333 Terminal Avenue, Vancouver
- **Link to Register:** <https://www.vanarts.com/event/vanarts-open-house/>

### Byng Arts

**New Applicants to the Program – APPLICATION FORMS NOW AVAILABLE**

**Online Portal Now Open** (Make sure to pick up the paper application first)

<https://byng2.vsb.bc.ca/byngarts/>

#### **Deadline is December 19th**

The Byng Arts Mini School has a long history at Lord Byng. Established in 1999 to acknowledge the creative energy and strong programs in our senior Strings and Drama departments it has grown to encompass all grades and offer opportunities not only in Strings and Drama but also Visual Art, Band, Choir, and Media Arts, with further opportunities available in Literary Arts in Grade 11 and 12.

Byng Arts, has all the benefits of a large high-school, while also maintaining a strong sense of community. In addition to an enriched curriculum in their fine art focus, all students in Byng Arts participate in events that feature community artists, musicians, and performers, thereby strengthening the collaboration between Byng and the professional arts community.



If you are interested in joining the Byng Arts program, please visit our website for the most up to date information on the application process: <http://byng2.vsb.bc.ca/byngarts/>

Application envelopes are now available and can be picked up from our office. Online registration starts November 12<sup>th</sup> (pick up an application envelope before going online). The deadline for submitting both your paper application AND your online submission is December 19th.

Email the coordinator, Jon Hartley-Folz at [byngarts@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:byngarts@vsb.bc.ca) if you have additional questions.

## **Byng Arts TEAM Page**

We hope that you are staying connected with all things Byng Arts related by checking out our TEAMS page for news and updates. Use this link to see what is going on: [Byng Arts Info Site \(2024-25\) | General | Microsoft Teams](#)

## **Byng Arts Passport**




<http://passport.lordbyng.net/>

### **How Many Events Have You Unlocked?!**

Everyone should have signed in to their passport account by now. Please reach out to Mr. Hartley-Folz ([jhartley@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:jhartley@vsb.bc.ca)) if you are having difficulties or review the instructions on TEAMS. You can sign up during FIT on Friday's and see Mr. Hartley-Folz in the Gallery - <https://byng.myweeklyplanner.net/>

The passport is a fun, but mandatory part of our program at Byng Arts. Byng Arts Passports are reviewed every January and May and students are **expected to have recorded seven or more events** by January.

Here are some of the most recent options:

<p>"Proof" Winter Drama 10 Performance <span>Drama</span></p>  <p>Earned on 12/6/24 Come see Drama 10 perform the award winning play "Proof", Thursday, December 5th and Tuesday December 10th at 6:30pm in the auditorium.</p>	<p>Luna <span>General</span></p>  <p>Earned on 12/2/24 Tis the holiday season. Unlock your art related events for December by sending in photo proof of your activities. Only two months to go until the first passport tally!</p>	<p>Fall Music Performance <span>Music</span></p>  <p>Earned on 11/30/24 You attended a concert or performed as part of one of our ensembles (Band, Choir, Strings) during October and November.</p>
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Get out there and start recording your interactions with the arts!

## **BYNG ARTS Parent Group – Link: [Byng Arts Parents Group](#)**

Byng Arts has a strong parent group and they are reaching out to connect with other Byng Arts Parents. Thank you to everyone who has signed up already.

If you haven't done so, please use this [link](#) to join the Byng Arts email list OR see the Byng Arts section of the PAC website for information on how to join and get involved.

## **Student Council Info**

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

Contact Mr. Hartley-Folz if you have any Byng Arts questions ([jhartley@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:jhartley@vsb.bc.ca))