

## Newsletter

Friday June 27, 2025

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## Message from the Principal

**Dear Lord Byng Students and Families,**

I want to thank all the students, parents, staff and community at Lord Byng for the privilege of serving this incredible community for five and half years as your principal.

It has been a very rewarding learning journey, and I could not have asked for a better way to end my career with VSB after 36 years as an educator.

Thank you, Lord Byng-have a wonderful summer and good luck to all of you!

**Mr. Wilmann**

## JUNE 2025

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY                                                                                                | WEDNESDAY                                                | THURSDAY                                                                      | FRIDAY                                                                                                                         | SATURDAY                                                |
|--------|--------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| 1      | 2      | 3<br>Compulsory<br>Grad Rehearsal<br>@FIT Auditorium<br><br>Athletic Banquet<br>5:30-7:30pm All<br>Gym | 4<br>Capstone Fair<br><br>Band Concert<br>6:30pm Theatre | 5<br>Gr. 7 Visit to Byng<br>9:30-11:20am Gym                                  | 6<br>Grade 12 Grad<br>Rehearsal 9:30AM<br>UBC Chan Centre<br><br>Early Dismissal 2pm<br><br>Grad Ceremony –<br>Chan Centre 4pm | 7                                                       |
| 8      | 9      | 10<br>Strings Concert<br>6:30pm Theatre                                                                | 11                                                       | 12<br>PAC Teacher<br>Appreciation Lunch<br><br>LBSO Concert<br>6:30pm Theatre | 13<br>Byng Arts Breakfast<br>@FIT Foyer                                                                                        | 14<br>Grad Dinner<br>Dance UBC<br>Nest 5:30-<br>10:30pm |
| 15     | 16     | 17<br>Byng Arts Grad<br>Auditorium 1:20-<br>3pm                                                        | 18<br>Collaborative Day<br>AM – Students Start<br>10AM   | 19<br>FIT for Learning – FIT<br>Freeze                                        | 20<br>Gr. 8 Sports Day<br><br>Choir Concert 6:30pm<br>Theatre                                                                  | 21<br>National<br>Indigenous<br>Peoples Day             |
| 22     | 23     | 24<br>Last Day of<br>Classes – AM<br>Carnival – PM                                                     | 25<br>Turnaround Day<br>Locker Cleanup                   | 26<br>Turnaround Day<br>Locker Cleanup                                        | 27<br>Administrative Day                                                                                                       | 28                                                      |
| 29     | 30     |                                                                                                        |                                                          |                                                                               |                                                                                                                                |                                                         |

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# LORD BYNG SECONDARY NEWSLETTER

## School News

With the viewing of the two films on Friday **The Porcupine** and **The Woman of the Grass House Post Unveiling**, the school continues to work towards our Reconciliation goals with integrity, strength and purpose.

Highlights from the week included:

- LALS and ELL students engage in learning about the legend of the Musqueam Double Headed Serpent
- Foods students learning about the Metis tradition of making Pemmican and the sacred buffalo
- Indigenous Artist Dave Robinson works to complete two art sculptures for the Indigenous Garden with the help of student volunteers
- Sauder School of Business Recognize Horizons Students from Byng
- Byng Arts Awards Day celebration brings a close to an incredible year of learning through the arts after 25 years as a cutting-edge Arts Program
- Helping Hands Club Assess a year of hard work and meaningful community engagement
- Final Choir Concert celebrates and incredible school year of musical accomplishment

*Media Arts Teacher Mr. Nick Booker, Film Director & Producer Kieran August and the cast of the recently viewed film The Porcupine, take questions from a studio audience in the library as part of the school's National Indigenous Day in Canada celebrations at the school.*

## National Indigenous Peoples Day School Wide Celebrations

*ELC Students had an opportunity to learn about the tale of the Musqueam Double Headed Serpent as they helped to set up the school Library as a broadcast studio for the National Indigenous Day Celebrations at the School.*

A range of exciting learning opportunities have been taking place at the school to acknowledge National Indigenous Peoples Day in Canada.

*Students from Ms. Braich's ELL Class work alongside Caitlyn Sparrow from Musqueam to complete a paddle carved by Musqueam artist Martin Sparrow.*

One group of Grade 9 students have spent the past week working with Ray McKeown, here is an update from the Foods class teacher Ms. Watson:

Students worked with Ray McKeown to deepen their understanding of first Nations tradition and value. Specific topics included living off the land, first Nations artwork and life with and around one of the most important animals for the livelihood of the First Nations people- the Bison.

We want to thank Ray for his stories, his knowledge, and his energy. There is no greater gift an educator can give and the Grade 9 Foods students this semester are so grateful!

*Teachings with Ray McKeown-Culinary Arts students in Ms. Watsons class learn about Metis culture, history and tradition as part of the school's celebration of Indigenous Peoples in Canada.*

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Thank you, Byng, for all your leadership in so many subject areas on this important Pillar of Learning!!



## Byng Arts Awards Day: Celebrating 25 Years of Learning Through the Arts

*After a year of incredible accomplishments of the school celebrates 25 years of the program's history and the amazing contribution that the program has made to the rich learning opportunities through the arts.*

Thank you, Jon and Team, for an amazing learning journey for our students over the past 25 years-what will the next 25 years entail- great things.

### 2025 – 2026 Lord Byng School Calendar

Please click [HERE](#) for the 2025-2026 Lord Byng School Calendar.

### Grade 12 VSB Email, Teams & MyEd Accounts – Important Notice

Hello Graduates,

Please note that your VSB email, Teams, and MyEd accounts will be disabled as of July 15, 2025. If you wish to save and/or download information, please do it before July 15th. Once the accounts are disabled they cannot be re-instated.

Regards,  
Lord Byng Office

### Locker -Remove all Contents and Locks by 3pm on Friday, June 27<sup>th</sup>.

Please remove locks and all contents from your school locker by 3pm on Friday, June 27<sup>th</sup>. Locks will be removed and all items will be donated to charity after June 27<sup>th</sup>.

### Notice of Late Return

If your child will not be attending school during the first week Sept 2-5<sup>th</sup>, please click [here](#) and return the completed form to the school office.

### Not Returning to Lord Byng 2025-2026

If you are not planning to return to Lord Byng in September, please complete the required form and return to the office. Please click [here](#).

### School Cash Online

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