

## Newsletter

Friday May 30, 2025

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## Message from the Principal

Dear Lord Byng Students and Families,

What an incredible couple of weeks it has been at our school! The *Hadestown* theatre production has been a phenomenal success and tonight marks the final performance. This powerful production has brought our community together in such a meaningful way. It simply would not have been possible without the leadership of our dedicated staff and the hundreds of volunteer hours contributed behind the scenes—thank you to everyone involved!

We also invite you to celebrate more of our students' creativity at the upcoming **Fine Arts Show** on **Saturday, May 31st**, in the school gallery. It's another wonderful opportunity to witness the talent and passion of our Byng students.

Don't miss your chance to catch the final night of *Hadestown*—tickets are going fast! And be sure to stop by the Art Show to support our amazing young artists.

Mr. Wilmann

Principal

## JUNE 2025

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

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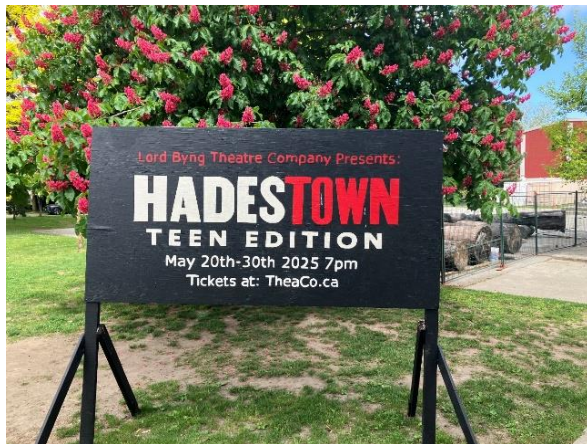
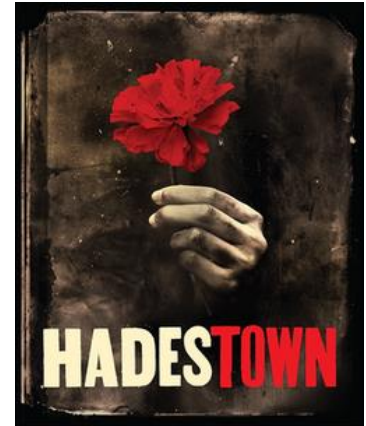
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### School News

#### Here are the latest updates:

After 9 months in the planning, with auditions completed, choreography in place, stage craft designed, thousands of hours of rehearsal and planning, it was finally time to raise the curtain for this year's incredible TheaCo Production-Hades Town.

*Hadestown* is a [musical](#) with music, lyrics, and book by [Anaïs Mitchell](#). It tells a version of the [ancient Greek myth](#) of [Orpheus and Eurydice](#). [Eurydice](#), a young girl looking for something to eat, goes to work in a hellish industrial version of the [Greek underworld](#) to escape poverty and the cold, and her poor singer-songwriter lover [Orpheus](#) comes to rescue her.



Special thanks to Mr. Matt Thiessen, Ms. Karli Sawka and Mr. Nick Booker for working so hard to pull this all together for another year's incredible theatre production.

Once again special thanks to all the Arts Club Theatre Staff that helped to support the school again this year, especially Mr. Darren Hales who as always goes so far to make these annual productions so special.

**There is still time to see the final production tonight if you haven't done so yet, but hurry tickets are selling fast!!!!**

#### Other Highlights Included:

- Modern Languages students visit France and Belgium in a joint school partnership: Byng Secondary and John Oliver Secondary
- ELC Students return from an action-filled adventure to our province's capital city-Victoria
- Capstone 12 Students Race to Complete Projects and present their work to Teacher-Panels
- STEM Engineering Students test run their newly designed extra strength cardboard furniture designs-watch out IKEA!

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- School and District Staff are recognized at the annual VSSA Coaches Appreciation Supper

### Recent Field Trips: Modern Languages & ELC

Partner schools John Oliver and Byng Secondary joined up to make a joint field trip to Europe.

With the leadership of Byng Modern Languages teachers Ms. Sojung Shin and Mr. Cameron Phillips from John Oliver, students from both schools headed to Paris and Brussels for an action-filled 10-day field trip to Europe. Putting their language skills to work and learning about culture, art and history, students from both schools had a chance to bond and learn together while travelling through two amazing countries!!!

While the Modern Languages students learned about life in Europe, closer to home students from the ELC Class headed to Victoria to learn about the history of our own Province and the stories and people that made British Columbia the province that it is today.





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Staying on campus at the University of Victoria, the students had an opportunity to learn about the ancestral lands upon which the modern city of Victoria is built, as well as visiting the Provincial Legislature.

Thank you to Byng Staff, Mr. Vlad. Koscal and Mr. McKeen as well as Ms. Jessica Barrie for organizing, planning and leading this great adventure for our ELC students!!!

### Capstone 12 Final Projects: A Race to the Finish

With the end of semester just a few weeks away students in both Grade 11 and 12 this year were working flat out to complete final project presentations for Grade 12, while Grade 11 students are gearing up for the Capstone Fair.

This year is a double Capstone year for Byng Career Education Teachers that are working to support both Grade 11 & 12 students complete their final exit projects before the end of the semester.



*Figure 1 Garden Club Members work to complete their Capstone 12 Projects!!!*

Thank you to all the Career Education Staff that are supporting our students this year, with a total of nearly 600 students completing the program this year it represents an incredible task!!

Next year students in only Grade 11 will be completing their Capstone Projects. This year staff, students and parents will be able to see the results of this year's Capstone Projects during the planned year end Capstone Fair Event.



### Watch Out IKEA-Here Come Byng Engineering STEM Student Designers

With all the talk of tariffs, one group of Byng students are looking to market a new design concept that will rival IKEA!

Using their knowledge of applied physics and mechanics as well as aesthetic design, this group of young engineers set out to market with their newly built prototypes!!

*Figure 2 Two of the chair designers test out the latest model!!!*



*Figure 3 Mr. Wilmann is considering buying the new chairs for all staff and students as a cost-saving measure-stay posted for more updates!!!*

### School Coaches and Volunteers are Recognized at the Annual Coaches Recognition Supper

Coaches and staff from across the Vancouver School District met on Friday at the Pink Pearl Restaurant to acknowledge the contribution of staff and volunteers throughout Vancouver that do so much to make school sports a reality for students throughout our school District.

With opening remarks by Mr. Pat Lee, the Athletics Director of John Oliver Secondary School, the event included comments from VSB Trustees as well as VSB District Athletics Coordinator Mr. Richard Meister. Special thanks to all the staff at our school that do so much to support our students and the amazing athletics program at our school and of course to our Athletics Director Mr. Kevin Sandher for your leadership and commitment!!!

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### Lord Byng Theatre Company Presents - Hadestown Teen Edition

#### Hadestown Teen Edition

May 20-23

May 27-30

\$20 Adults

\$12 Students in Advance

\$15 Students at Door

7pm

Lord Byng Auditorium,

Crown St Entrance

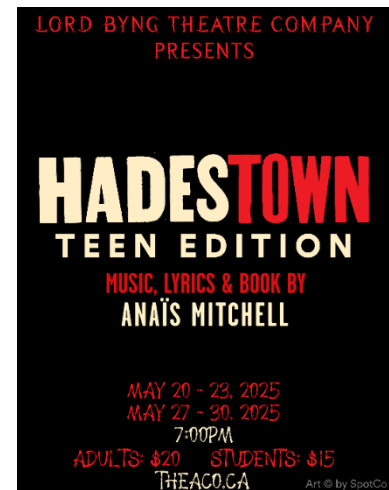
More info at [www.theaco.ca](http://www.theaco.ca)

Theatre Company Presents: Hadestown Teen Edition - Adult Ticket :

<https://vsb.schoolcashonline.com/Fee/Details/161955/196/False/True>

Theatre Company Presents: Hadestown- Student Ticket :

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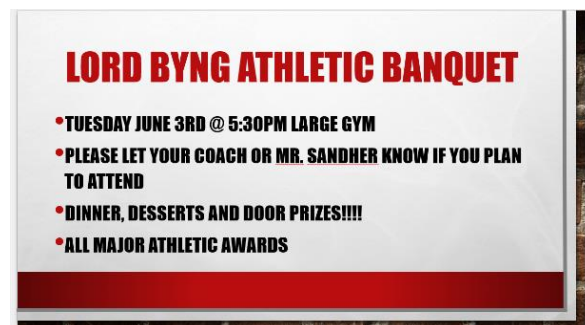


### 2025 Lord Byng Athletic Banquet

Tuesday June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5:30 pm in the Main Gym. (No cost as this is included in your athletic fees)

Includes Dinner, All Major Athletic Awards, Guest Speaker and Prizes!

Please let Mr. Sandher or your coach know if you plan to attend.



### Capstone Fair - Update Wednesday June 4<sup>th</sup>

"Our second annual Capstone Fair is happening next week! Grade 11 students are excited to present their Capstone Projects to their schoolmates, teachers, families, and mentors. The school will be open to community members on Wednesday, June 4th, 2025 from 3:00PM to 4:00PM. Please enter the school through one of the opened doors by the parking lot or the front doors of the school. It will be free to park in the school parking lot from 2:45pm until 4:30pm, but parking availability will be very limited. Please note that parking spaces are only for school staff use until 2:45pm. The Capstone Fair will take place in Lord Byng's B Building, including the gymnasiums, lower cafeteria, Byng Arts foyer/gallery, and the school library. We are looking forward to seeing you celebrate all of the students' hard work on June 4th!"

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### Yearbook Last Chance to Purchase!

Please click [HERE](#) to purchase your school yearbook.

<https://vsb.schoolcashonline.com/Fee/Details/159314/196/False/True>

### Lost and Found

Please check the lost and found table located on the second floor for lost items. For smaller items, please inquire at the school office. All unclaimed items will be donated to charity at the end of June.

### OVERDUE LIBRARY BOOKS

Please return all Lord Byng Library books as soon as possible. Look under your bed and on your bookshelves and make sure you get your book(s) back before June 13th. If you have lost the book, please see or email Ms. Rezler. Thank you so much and have a wonderful summer.

KEEP READING!

Ms. Rezler

### Lord Byng 100 Years Celebration – Merchandise is still available for sale.

Here is the website for the 100 Year Celebration. Merchandise is still available for sale.

Please visit <https://www.byng100.ca/>

### Collaboration Dates and Schedule

Collaboration Dates	
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	10:40 - 10:50
<b>Block 2</b>	10:50 - 11:30
Lunch	11:30 - 12:15
<b>Block 3</b>	12:15 - 1:35
Break	1:35 - 1:40
<b>Block 4</b>	1:40 - 3:00

### School Calendar / Bell Schedules / Collaborative Days

[2024-2025 School Calendar](#)

[Bell Schedule/Collaborative Day](#)

### Not Returning to Lord Byng 2025-2026

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



### **LORD BYNG CONTINUES TO EXCEL IN MATH CONTESTS**

Lord Byng mathletes continue to excel in math contests this year. While some of the problems are based on curricular concepts studied in class, many require the use of creative thinking and strategies. We're proud to recognize the achievements of these top-performing students.

#### **Euclid Contest (Grade 12)**

Our top scorers this year are Cindy Wu (93/100), Oscar Chen (77/100) and Thomas Tan (71/100). Our exceptional results have Lord Byng ranked 20<sup>th</sup> in BC!

#### **Fryer, Galois & Hypatia Contests (Grades 9, 10, 11)**

These contests are full-solution contests that emphasize mathematical thinking and communication. Our exceptional results in the Fryer (Grade 9) contest have Lord Byng ranked 1<sup>st</sup> in BC and 8<sup>th</sup> in Canada. Congratulations to our top scorers:

- Fryer (Grade 9 contest): Ryan Wu (Grade 8), Frank Zhao, Dana Yoo, Mason Wu (Grade 8)
- Galois (Grade 10 contest): Andrew Ding, Tony Xu (Grade 9), Yiwen Zhu
- Hypatia (Grade 11 contest): Thomas Tan, Oscar Chen, Connor Tsoi

#### **Gauss Contest (Grade 8)**

Congratulations to Mason Wu, Ryan Wu and Coco Zhang who scored a perfect 150/150 on the Gauss! Watch out for these up-and-coming mathematicians!

This concludes math contests for this year. Interested math contest participants can check the Lord Byng math page (<http://lordbyng.net/math/>) for next year's dates and registration details. Many thanks to PAC for their financial support!

### **Mandatory Grad Assembly for all Grads June 3rd at FIT in the Auditorium**

#### **Grad Ticket Sales Information**

See below.

#### **Grad Ceremony at the Chan Centre – June 6, 2025**

##### **Ticketing Round 1: CLOSED**

##### **Ticketing Round 2:**

**Wednesday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at NOON - Wednesday, June 4<sup>th</sup> at 11:59pm PST**

Online bookings for a maximum of 2 additional paid tickets are open. No promo code required.

***Complimentary tickets are no longer available.***

[Click here to reserve your tickets](#)

*These tickets are first-come, first-served, until available seats are all booked.*

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### **Ticketing Round 3: Thursday, June 5<sup>th</sup> at NOON PST**

Online bookings for any remaining paid tickets are open, without limits.

*The Chan Centre Box Office will be open from 12 Noon on event day.*

[Click here to reserve your tickets](#)

### **Grad Reception and Dance – June 14, 2025**

#### **PRICE OF TICKETS:**

- \$130 per ticket
- This will be a ticketless event. A check in desk will be available during the reception for you to check in, which will be done by your graduate's last name.
- Only those with pre-purchased tickets will be permitted to enter the venue.

#### **HOW TO PURCHASE:**

- [SchoolCashOnline](#) Sign into your child's account and look for optional items, click on "Grad Reception and Dance" to purchase tickets.
- Ticket sales end: **JUNE 3, 2025**

### **School Cash Online**

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

### **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.

### **Student Verification Forms – Important UPDATE**

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.

**Grade 12's will be mailed their dogwood certificate in the summer so it's very important that their home address is current on MyEd BC. If an address needs to be updated, please let the school office know.**

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### Elevator Use for Students with Mobility Issues

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

### 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. IMPORTANT: We can only excuse students' absences in MyEd from emails received from the parents' email address not the student's email address.**

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

### Counselling Update

#### Counselling Staff

A-G Ms. K. Milinazzo

H - L Ms. J. Radic

M-T Ms. S. Schumacher

U-Z Ms. C. Davies and Ms. Vanderklippe

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### Welcome Grade 7s Event

We will be hosting a welcome grade 7s event on June 5 from 9:30-11:30. Our grade 7s (new grade 8s) have been invited via email. Please if you know any grade 7s who will be coming to Byng for grade 8, feel free to let them know about this event. Grade 7s will be coming with their elementary schools, and/or parents can drop off and pick them up.

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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](#)) .

### Scholarships

Here is some scholarship info: Where Can I Look for Scholarships. This document was shared with grade 11s and 12s on Counselling Teams. Please see [link](#). Also, our Counselling Teams continues to advertise many scholarships on Grade 12 teams page.

### 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 May 30th, 2025

#### ~~ GENERAL PAC NEWS ~~

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#### **Volunteers sign up for 2025 Teacher's appreciation Lunch June 12th Thursday 11:00-12:15 @ Staff lunch room beside office**

Join us for a heartfelt Teacher's Appreciation Lunch as we celebrate the incredible dedication, care, and hard work of our teachers. This special event is our way of saying thank you for the difference they make every day in the lives of students.

There will be a delicious lunch, warm conversations, and small tokens of appreciation prepared by students and parents. It's also a multicultural food festival! Let's come together as a school community to honor the educators who inspire, guide, and uplift us all.

**Volunteer sign up :** <https://forms.gle/MqVHmN9vqs5sBBat9>



Any questions, feel free to contact PAC Co-Chair May Lee (Email: [lbpacgiftcards@gmail.com](mailto:lbpacgiftcards@gmail.com))

### **Year-end Coffee Meetup: June 20th, Friday 9:30am**

Please join us for a casual year-end coffee meeting on Friday, June 20, 2025, at 9:30 a.m.

This will be a lovely opportunity to connect with fellow parents, celebrate the end of the school year, and share updates before the summer break. We are asking for volunteers to help set up, tear down, and bring food to share with folks. If you are able to help or bring food, please text Jacqueline Crummey at 778.788.2585, and she will set up a WhatsApp group for communication & coordination. *We hope to see you there!*

### **–Fundraising & Event Organization Committee–**

**Fundraising & Event Organization Committee:** all PAC members are in this committee.

We encourage **long-term volunteers** to join our committee, please register to join us with this form: <https://forms.gle/aodKd111ka4jM4k9A>.

Please contact PAC Co-chair **May Lee** at [Maylca808@gmail.com](mailto:Maylca808@gmail.com) for more detail.

**Grocery GiftCard Fundraising Initiatives:** The PAC gets rebates on parents gift cards purchases from the following vendors to donate to school.

- **SunGiven (元初)** - Please fill out the [ORDER FORM](#) and follow the instruction and make your payment for the gift card.
- **Stongs Market**- shop online at [www.stongs.com](http://www.stongs.com), and **select Lord Byng Secondary At checkout** under “Select the school for our rebate program” .

If you have any questions or if you have any other Grocery Card rebate program, feel free to send us email at [lbpacgiftcards@gmail.com](mailto:lbpacgiftcards@gmail.com)



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### ~~ Inclusion and Diversity Committee ~~

**PAC Inclusion and Diversity Committee** - PAC has 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) or by message 778-788-25

### ~~DPAC Committee INFO~~

Please see other important updated DPAC information shared by DPAC chair here [DPAC News Update Document.docx](#)

Vancouver DPAC continues to advocate for increased funding and meaningful supports for students with disabilities and diverse learning needs. Last month, we launched our strongest budget campaign to date: "Budgeting for Inclusion."

Our campaign included the following actions:

#### 1. Inclusive Education Working Group Report

Advocating for Equity: A Caregiver-led Examination of Inclusive Education in Vancouver Public Schools

Read the full report here: <https://www.vancouverdpac.org/inclusive-education-report/>

#### 2. Budget Submission Video

Watch our video submission here: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-dIDeq\\_nOuQ](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-dIDeq_nOuQ)

#### 3. Parent Delegations

Hear powerful testimonies from parents sharing their lived experiences (starts at the 50-minute mark):

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1JCMPfbV85I>

We express our sincere appreciation to all of these amazing parents for sharing their important stories to demonstrate how educational policies have an impact on families.

#### 4. Email Writing Campaign

Over 270 emails were sent by parents and caregivers to VSB Trustees and senior staff, calling for transparency and improved funding for inclusive education.

We believe that every child deserves equitable access to education and the supports necessary to thrive.

Parents across Vancouver are demanding greater transparency on how inclusive education funds are used—and we will continue to advocate for those funds to go directly toward supporting students.

We encourage all PACs and caregivers to stay engaged. Stay informed. Speak up. Together, we can enhance accountability.

Melanie Cheng  
Chair, Vancouver DPAC

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

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### ~~GRAD 2025 Committee INFO~~

**NOW!** Purchase GRAD RECEPTION AND DANCE tickets (details below)

- **HOW TO PURCHASE:** [SchoolCashOnLine](#) - Sign into your child's account and look for optional items, click on "Grad Reception and Dance" to purchase tickets.

Grad is just a few weeks away! Crazy we are near the end of high school for our Grad 12s! If you have not done so already **PLEASE** purchase your tickets and spread the word!! Grad events can't happen if we don't sell enough tickets. The grad committee has now been sending out important information regarding **ALL** graduation events and ticket sales have started for all Grad events. **PLEASE** check your email and junk mail to ensure you are receiving them. All Grad 2025 event information can be found on the Lord Byng PAC website too. To stay up to date, if you have not done so already, please provide your contact information by clicking the following link: <https://forms.gle/8SMzfCdFfun3Kmba6>

You can also reach out to the grad committee at [bynggradcommittee2025@gmail.com](mailto:bynggradcommittee2025@gmail.com) for any information if needed.

### GRAD DATES and LOCATIONS:

- **GRADUATION CEREMONY** - UBC Chan Centre - FRIDAY, June 6, 2025 - 4pm -7pm
- **GRAD RECEPTION AND DANCE** - The Nest UBC - SATURDAY, June 14, 2025 - 6:30pm-10:30pm

### GRAD TICKETS:

**GRADUATION CEREMONY:** The school has sent information on this already. Check for emails from Svetlana.

### GRAD RECEPTION AND DANCE:

**PLACE:** The Great Hall at the NEST in the Student Union Building at UBC - 6133 University Blvd

**TIME:** 5:30pm - 10:30PM

**FORMAT:** This is a stand-up, reception style event with canapés, non-alcoholic refreshments and, of course, dancing to Lord Byng's very own, most requested, DJ - Mr. Johnston. There will be some general seating available for those who need to give their legs a rest during the evening. This event is attended by the graduate and 2 family members (please see ticket maximum below for more information) and some school staff.

**DRESS CODE:** Cocktail attire.

**MAXIMUM NUMBER OF TICKETS:** 3 per graduating student - includes 1 ticket for the graduating individual and 2 tickets for family members. Due to limited capacity at the venue and the size of our graduating class, 3 will be the maximum number of tickets sold to each graduate. This is to ensure that there is space for all graduating students to be able to attend.

**PRICE OF TICKETS:** \$130 per ticket

\*This will be a ticketless event. A check in desk will be available during the reception for you to check in, which will be done by your graduate's last name. Only those with pre-purchased tickets will be permitted to enter the venue.

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**HOW TO PURCHASE:** [SchoolCashOnLine](#) - Sign into your child's account and look for optional items, click on "Grad Reception and Dance" to purchase tickets.

- Ticket sales: **April 30, 2025 - Jun 3, 2025**

### ~~ BYNG ARTS PARENTS INFO ~~

**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>.

### ~~PARENT WEDNESDAY MORNING WALKS~~

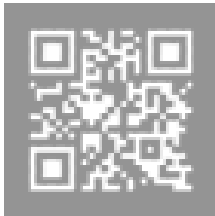
**Wednesday Morning Walks** - For parents/guardians who want to enjoy nature while making new connections in the Byng community, please join us for our Wednesday 9 am walks.. Meet near the front entrance (W. 16th Ave). Please email to Nora at [noradyng@hotmail.com](mailto:noradyng@hotmail.com)

### ~~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): Jan 22, 2025, Mar 05 19, 2025, April 30, 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/>



### 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 the **subscribe link:** <https://lordbyngpac.us14.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=af85d7bc4fcc7ac2d125c476c&id=df1ad1ae5c>

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

### Arts Info

**Come to School on a Saturday – Senior Art Show, Saturday, May 31st**



Please join our Senior Art Students as we celebrate their talent and creativity as part of the West of Main Art Walk.

West of Main Art Walk: Saturday, May 31st, 11am-5pm: Open Studio Event. This includes our own school gallery. Come to school on a Saturday and see the incredible work of our senior art students on display. Enter the school through the Crown Street entrance.

Click on the link below to find out more about this public event:

<https://www.artistsinourmidst.com/>



### **Attention graduating artists - Lord Byng Art Prize**

**We want your art!**

The Lord Byng Art Prize is an annual opportunity for a graduating student to have their art purchased and put on permanent display in our school. You likely have noticed the many inspiring legacy pieces that make up our growing collection of student artwork.

If you are interested in submitting a piece for consideration it will need to be ready by June 9th. The subject, style, and type (Photo, Drawing, Painting, Sculpture, etc.) is up to you but think about the audience (our staff and students) and use the work on display as a guide as to what has been selected in the past.

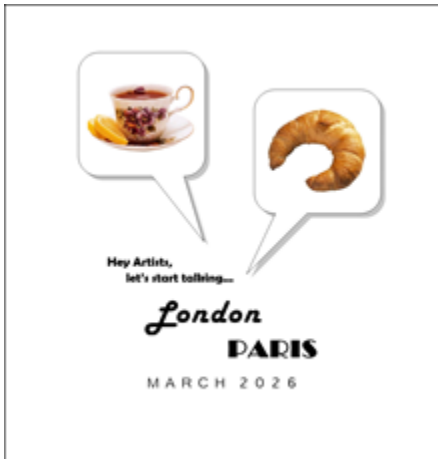
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We look forward to seeing what you create. Submissions are due on Tuesday, June 7th in the Gallery. Find the link for the artist statement on Teams.

## Byng Arts

### Byng Arts Trip to London & Paris – March 2026

**Attention Byng Arts Visual Arts Students going into Grades 12, 11, and 10**



The Byng Arts Visual Arts Department is planning a trip to London and Paris for March 2026. This trip is available for Visual Art students in Grades 10 to 12 in the Byng Arts Visual Arts stream. Enrollment is limited to 40 students and priority will be given to students in Grades 11 and 12.

The purpose of the trip is to access the art and architecture of two world class art centers. The Louvre in Paris, the British Museum and Tate Gallery in London, Notre Dame on the Île de la Cité and the Tower of London on the banks of Thames are just some of the locations that will be visited. Truly extending our artistic understandings beyond the walls of the classroom, this will be an educational and inspiring opportunity for all those involved.

Duration: Friday, March 6, 2026 - Friday, March 13, 2026

Estimated Cost: \$5,400 - \$5,800

Initial Registration Form: <https://forms.office.com/r/jwrP82jHvG>

### New Applicants to the Program

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

Welcome to all our new applicants. We have completed our steps for Grade 8 and will continue to monitor Grades 9 to 12. We will reach out to students on the waitlist if things open up further.

Thank you for your understanding and patience.

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



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## Byng Arts Passport

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




YOU HAVE ONE WEEK TO GO!

Passports are due at the end of May (seven new events are expected for this submission for a minimum of 14 unlocked events).

Your events contribute to group House points. Our current leader is Hepburn House, but for how long?

If you need assistance with your Passport, please book an appointment with Mr. Hartley-Folz ASAP.

Here are some new opportunities to unlock:

<b>West of Main Art Walk</b> <span>Art</span>  <p>Come to school on a Saturday. On May 31st, check out the work in our school gallery or take a tour around nearby art studios as part of the West of Main Art Walk.</p>	<b>May Colour Show</b> <span>Art</span>  <p>Check out the work of our art students in the gallery. Join the party after school on Wednesday, May 21st.</p>	<b>HADESTOWN</b> <span>Drama</span>  <p>Theatre Company invites you to join them on a trip to HADESTOWN. Playing May 20-30th. Tickets online and at Theaco.ca.</p>
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## Student Council Info

Student council meets every Thursdays in room A223. Everyone is welcome. We will post updates on TEAMS and Instagram ([@byngartstudentcouncil](https://www.instagram.com/byngartstudentcouncil))

## Meeting Notes

Grade 12 Byng Arts Breakfast – Friday FIT – June 13th – Pancakes!!!

Final Assembly: Tuesday, June 17th

- Elections
- House Winners
- Tribute to the Grads

Crew neck Merch payment is now on School Cash for all those who completed the order form:



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

With deep gratitude and respect, we are honoured to be learning and unlearning on the ancestral and unceded lands of the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish Nation) & səliłwətał (Tsleil-Waututh Nation).

