



Newsletter

Friday Nov 29, 2024

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Message from the Principal

Dear Lord Byng Students and Families,

With the winter weather now upon us and the holiday season beginning, the school is already preparing for the celebrations to come!

This week the winter theme for the Byng Arts Gala took place at the Roundhouse, the parent greenery fundraiser for the Grad PAC was up and running and our tree lot filled up for the annual school holiday tree fundraiser organized by the Physical Education Department.

Stay posted for more holiday updates throughout the month of December.

Have a restful 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	6 Fire Drill @1:15pm	7
8	9	10 Drama 10 Performance 6:30pm	11 CE9 Assembly 1-3 @12:15 Aud 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
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School News

Highlights from last week Included:

Other highlights from the week just passed included:

- An incredible Strings Orchestra Performance
- An update from our Athletics Director Mr. Kevin Sandher on Fall Athletics Program
- The Reconciliation Journey continues with staff students working with Indigenous Elder Mr. Martin Sparrow



Lord Byng Strings Benefit Concert

It was indeed a dark and stormy night on Tuesday evening but despite everything that was thrown at them by the weather Ms. Anderson and Ms. Cindy Shum went ahead with the beautiful Lord Byng Strings Benefit Concert.

Thank you to all the parents, students and staff for braving the weather coming out to support this exciting community event. Highlights included a

dinner in the cafeteria accompanied by the Strings Orchestra playing accompanied by the Infinitus String Quartet.

Infinitus is a critically acclaimed beatboxing string trio known for their unique sound and upbeat performance style. With a repertoire featuring classical standards and original jazz/hip-hop arrangements and compositions, Infinitus is quickly becoming one of North America's premiere chamber groups.

Student Engagement

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



Figure 1 A night to remember the Strings Benefit Concert directed by Ms. Ruth Anderson begins in the school cafeteria with the Infinitus String Trio supporting.

Two Thumbs Up for Our Coaches and the Fall Athletics Program!!!

It has been an incredibly busy Fall Athletics Season at Byng thanks to all the volunteers, coaches, managers that made it all possible thanks to their commitment and generosity in supporting our young athletics.

Athletics connects to all four of the school's **Four Pillars of Learning** and builds community and connection for so many students at the school.

Here is a quick update on the season so far by our incredible Athletics Director Mr. Kevin Sandher:

“Our Fall season is coming to an end and here is the recap:

- **Sr. Boys Soccer** - Legendary coach Andy Johnston led the team again this year and they narrowly missed out on the playoffs
- **Cross Country Team** - Byron Jack was the coach and Chloe Symon in Gr. 12 came third in the province! Chloe has also accepted a full ride scholarship to the University of Washington Huskies for Track and Field.
- **Aquatics** - Thanks to Sarah Tarnowsky and Jon Hartley-Folz for their work this season.
- **Rugby** - Thanks to Scott McKeen and Mike Mallette for their work this season in getting the rugby team going again.
- **Volleyball** - Our Sr girls volleyball team led by Kim Chong-Ping got to the semifinals on the zone championships, great job!

And finally, our Gr. 9 Girls volleyball team, led by Dan Marks (who also coached the Gr. 8 girls) won the CITY CHAMPIONSHIP!!!

They are headed to the Provincial Championships this weekend!”

Thank you coaches and special thanks to our incredible Athletics Director Mr. Sandher!

The School Reconciliation Journey Continues

Staff and Students met Indigenous Elder, Artist and Knowledge Keeper Martin Sparrow and his daughter Caitlin Sparrow to learn about Musqueam history and culture. As part of the school's 100-year celebration next year, the school will be raising a Musqueam House Post, a traditional welcome figure on the entrance to the school driveway on 16th Avenue.

The artwork was started at the school two years ago by Martin Sparrow and fellow Musqueam Artist Ramsey Louis and will be raised early in 2025, with a ceremony to acknowledge the land to follow shortly afterwards.

Connecting the students to the artwork and the artist, Martin has invited the staff and Byng Community to carve 14 paddles in the traditional Musqueam style. These paddles will be gifted to the school upon completion, two will be presented as gifts one to the Musqueam Nation and the second to the Vancouver School Board Indigenous Education Department.

The first of these paddle workshops began last week with four classes and their teachers meeting in the Gallery for the introductory workshop with Martin and Caitlin.

Truth and Reconciliation Through Indigenous Teaching and Learning

How do we authentically promote,
embrace, and engage with the First
Peoples Principles of
Learning in our classrooms?



Figure 2 Musqueam Knowledge Keeper Martin Sparrow shares cultural teachings with Byng students.

Byng Athletics
Byng Volleyball

Lord Byng's Juvenile Girls Volleyball Team played in the Grade 9 Championships this past weekend. Competing against teams from across the province, Byng finished 5th. The team earned wins against Vernon, Walnut Grove and Claremont. Their only loss was to tournament champions, Kelowna.

During the closing ceremony, Abby Z. (team captain) was recognized as one of the best players in the province when she was named to all-star team, as voted by the opposing coaches.

The girls 5th place finish comes after winning City Championships the previous week. Over the past two season, the team has a 19-1 record in the city losing only three set in total over two years.

Congratulations to Bonica C., Jaya D., Angel D., Dana K., Fay L., Ariel L., Lucy L., Kexin M., Olivia M., Ava R., Rina T., Abby Z., Alice Z., and Stella Z. on an outstanding season.

The team wishes to thank Assistant Coach Jason Rudd, Ms Tichelman, Ms Chan, Ms Chow, Ms Lambrinoudis, Jeffrey K., Emma W., Gabriella M., Joanna L., Soomin C., Ellen S., and Violet W. for their help and support.

Finally, special thanks to Sophie Q. (Grade 8) for stepping up and playing with the 9's and being a difference maker in the win that secured 5th place.





Tree Lot Opens Friday, November 29th!

Our traditional fundraiser for Byng Athletics opens for business on Friday November 29th!
Tree lot will be open from Nov 29th – Dec 17th. Please help support Byng Athletics! Cash and Credit Card
Weekdays: 12:30pm – 8:30pm
Weekend: 10am – 6pm

No Barrier to Volunteer

--- 2024 Youth Volunteer Training @ Lord Byng
All youth at Lord Byng are welcome. Save the date.
Complimentary pizza and apple juice provided.
Please register for better food preparation. Thank you!

Registration link and QR code:
<https://forms.office.com/r/GkU7Q27zqd>



When: **after school till 6pm, Wednesday, December 4th**

Where: **school library**

Why to join :

- 3 volunteer hours credited when having fun
- First step to receive a leadership training certificate
- Connect with people and opportunities
- Volunteer, experience and grow with getting a proof letter of volunteer hours

This event is organized by Lord Byng Project 3B and VSB SWIS.

Career Education

On Tuesday, November 26th, a few Byng Alumni students (Sloan Davison, Claire Lord, Sophia Ner, and Beau Hinch) returned to Byng to be guest speakers on a student university panel for our CLC 12 students to help prepare them for university life. The Alumni discussed the most noticeable differences between being in high school and life in post-secondary. They shared what they wished they had known when they were in Grade 12, versus what they know now. They discussed how assessment practices differed from university compared to high school. The Alumni students shared their advice on how to have a full, meaningful social life while still meeting their post-secondary academic goals. This was a great community building event that allowed ex-grads to share their experiences and insight with our current graduating class.

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 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
Duration of Absence: please indicate if this is a full day absence or for what period of time your child will be away
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/>

Byng Arts Theatre 10 Presents: PROOF

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

December 5th 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.

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!

AirBand!!

Registration for a spot to audition for this year's AirBand opens Monday November 25th and closes Friday November 29th at 3:00pm. Registration will be found on All Student Teams.

Choose one member from your group to complete the form. That person must regularly check their email for information about auditions. These will be held in the week of December 2-6.

For any questions, please speak to Mr. Sundvick, Ms. Sawka, or Mr. Richardson.

Thanks, and good luck!

Lost and Found

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

Collaboration Dates	
Sept. 18 • Oct. 16 • Nov. 13 • Jan. 15 • Feb. 19 • Apr. 16 • May 14 • Jun. 18	
Block 1 (Students Start)	10:00 - 10:40
Break	
Block 2	10:40 - 10:50
Lunch	10:50 - 11:30
Block 3	11:30 - 12:15
Break	12:15 - 1:35
Block 4	1:35 - 1:40
Break	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
FIT 8:40 - 9:20				FIT 8:40 - 9:20
BLOCK 1 9:20 - 10:20	BLOCK 1 8:40 - 10:00	BLOCK 1 8:40 - 10:00	BLOCK 1 8:40 - 10:00	BLOCK 1 9:20 - 10:20
BREAK 10:20 - 10:30	BREAK 10:00 - 10:10	BREAK 10:00 - 10:10	BREAK 10:00 - 10:10	BREAK 10:20 - 10:30
BLOCK 2 10:30 - 11:30	BLOCK 2 10:10 - 11:30	BLOCK 2 10:10 - 11:30	BLOCK 2 10:10 - 11:30	BLOCK 2 10:30 - 11:30
LUNCH 11:30 - 12:15	LUNCH 11:30 - 12:15	LUNCH 11:30 - 12:15	LUNCH 11:30 - 12:15	LUNCH 11:30 - 12:15
BLOCK 3 12:15 - 1:35	BLOCK 3 12:15 - 1:15	BLOCK 3 12:15 - 1:35	BLOCK 3 12:15 - 1:15	BLOCK 3 12:15 - 1:35
BREAK 1:35 - 1:40	BREAK 1:15 - 1:20	BREAK 1:35 - 1:40	BREAK 1:15 - 1:20	BREAK 1:35 - 1:40
	FIT 1:20 - 2:00		FIT 1:20 - 2:00	
BLOCK 4 1:40 - 3:00	BLOCK 4 2:00 - 3:00	BLOCK 4 1:40 - 3:00	BLOCK 4 2:00 - 3:00	BLOCK 4 1:40 - 3:00

Counselling Update

Counselling Staff

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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 Nov 29th, 2024

~~ GENERAL PAC NEWS ~~

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 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

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 ,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。

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.

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 (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 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

~~ DPAC INFO ~~

Next DPAC GENERAL MEETING: NOV 28th, THU 7 – 9pm Zoom Meeting

DPAC news will be updated on [DPAC Info](#)

We encourage all parents to attend the DPAC meetings and get involved in supporting our school community. For information on future DPAC meetings and how to get involved, please visit the DPAC website <http://vancouverdpac.org>

DPAC representatives: Cindy cgroner18@gmail.com Nora 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

IMPORTANT UPCOMING GRAD FUNDRAISERS

1. **GRAD 2025 Purdy's Fundraiser** - Pick up date is December 7th. Contact janinekobylka@gmail.com with any questions. Thanks for your support!
2. Thank you to everyone who dropped off recyclables for our bottle drive last weekend! We are awaiting our final count! Thanks to the Grad students and parents who helped
3. Growing Smile Fundraiser – Thanks to everyone who supported! We will be doing our direct donation drive in the new year, stay tuned!
4. 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 hosted a GALA on Nov 27. Appreciated for the large number of parents volunteers.

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/LebbGtqRocv31UU10A0w38>.

~~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

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 or visit <https://www.lordbyngpac.com/>

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

Art News

Art News

Upcoming Performances at Byng

- December 5th & 10th: Drama Performance in the Theatre

Message from the Lord Byng Gallery – Call for Artwork



Attention artists, we have taken down the current show and will be installing a new one in December. If you would like your work displayed in the new show, please drop it off Monday or Tuesday in the gallery. Please label it on the back with your name and contact info.

Thank you to all the artists who submitted their work for the last show. Your art is available for pick up in the gallery.

Art for Earth Event – November 30th

- Art For Earth Show this Saturday
- Art exhibition on Saturday 10:00am-12:00pm at Dunbar community centre

The Art for Earth Club invites you all to our exhibition *this Saturday, November 30th*, at the Dunbar Community Center. Feel free to bring your friends and family!

The event will feature a fashion runway show, delicious food, engaging art activities, and, most importantly, our **100 Youth Artists Cardboard Campaign**.

Join us and support our environmental cause.

See you there!



Chan Centre - Call for Artists (Deadline December 6th)

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](#)

Capilano University Fine Art Program Open House

- **Open House November 30th:** https://www.capilanou.ca/programs--courses/get-started/visit-capu/explore-capu/?utm_source=programs--courses/get-started/visit-capu/explore-capu-open-house&utm_medium=web&utm_campaign=Redirect

VanArts! Media Programs

ONLINE INFO SESSION – Next Wednesday, Dec. 4th

- From the comfort of home, check out a LIVE info session on Zoom about all things VanArts! Programs for animation, game art, visual effects, photography, web design and acting will be covered.
- **When:** Wednesday, December 4th @ 5pm
- **Where:** ZOOM
- **Link to Register:** <https://www.vanarts.com/event/online-info-session/>

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 12th (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 if you have additional questions.

BYNG ARTS GALA – November 27th

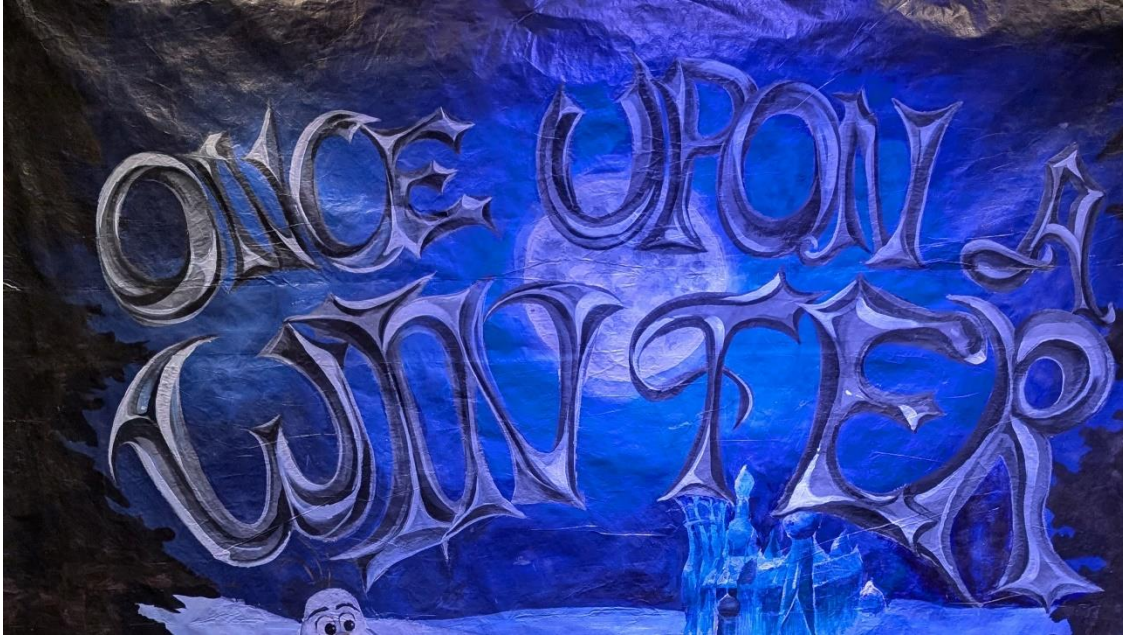


Congratulations to the student council, staff, and our parent volunteers for creating a night to remember.

Each year the Byng Arts program holds an art celebration at the **Roundhouse Community Center**. This year it was a cool affair with the theme of Once Upon a Winter, ballerinas from the Nutcracker, forest spirits, snowmen, gift boxes, and the cast of Home Alone were some of the characters who filled the decorated Exhibition Hall.

The event began with a series of student performances and followed by a sit-down dinner with all the healthy food choices of pizza, chips, and soda. Things ended with a costume contest, dance, and games area for those who didn't feel like dancing.

It was a fun, energetic celebration of the program and the students who fuel the creativity that makes our community what it is! Thank you to everyone for making this a special night.





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) 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>Art Panel Presentation - Nov 14 Events</p>  <p>Earned on 11/15/24 Art Panel for Grade 10-12 students takes place during FIT on Thursday, November 14th. Reps from film, music, art, and drama will share insights during this MANDATORY assembly.</p>	<p>Once Upon A Winter - November 27th Events</p>  <p>Earned on 11/22/24 Winter is coming November 27th at the Roundhouse Community Center. Gala theme is all things winter - come in costume. Dinner is pizza, chips, and pop. Dance and games to follow.</p>	<p>Remembrance Day Ceremony Events</p>  <p>Earned on 11/9/24 You were part of the group of student performers who helped us reflect on the purpose of Remembrance Day, Lest We Forget.</p>
<p>Fall Music Performance Music</p>  <p>Earned on 11/7/24 You attended a concert or performed as part of one of our ensembles (Band, Choir, Strings) during October and November.</p>	<p>Neptune General</p>  <p>Earned on 11/8/24 Take part in an art event during the month of November. Take a photo to document and hit Submit to redeem.</p>	<p>Wednesday Night at the Movies Events</p>  <p>Earned on 11/8/24 Come out for movie night in the auditorium on Wednesday, October 30th. Event starts at 3:45. Cost \$2. Treats available for purchase. In partnership with main school student council.</p>

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)