



Newsletter

Friday, Sept 20 2024

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Message from the Principal

Dear Lord Byng Students and Families,

Thank you to the parents that came to the first PAC meeting of the school year on Wednesday evening. It was great to be able to meet all our newcomer parents that attended as well as returning parents and families to Byng.

Special thanks also to our PAC chair and co-chairs Ms. Michelle Tseng and Ms. May Lee for supporting the school and for all your leadership as we begin the 2024-25 school year.

Two important school start up procedures that we need support from parents is to ensure that **all on-line forms** have been completed. One of the forms that is particularly important is the local field trip form. The first major school wide event is coming up on October 4th with the annual Terry Fox Run and will require all participating students to have parent permission in place to take part in this school wide event. Also, we need to remind students to sign up for FIT time sessions in advance each week. Parents will be receiving notifications by e-mail if students have not signed up using the online planner.

Thank you for your assistance with this and other important school start up procedures.

Mr. Wilmann

SEPT 2024						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9 Course Changes Gr. 11 ONLY	10 Course Changes Gr. 10 ONLY CLC 12 Assembly FIT – AUD	11 Course Changes Gr. 9 ONLY	12 Course Changes Gr. 8 ONLY Byng Arts Assembly & Gr. 8 Sports FIT- P4 Period	13	14
15	16	17 CLC 11 Assembly FIT- AUD Langara Visit @ FIT	18 Collaborative Day Students Start 10 AM / Last Day Course Changes Semester 1	19 PC Camp Byng Arts FAB Assembly @10:30 AUD	20 PRO-D Day School Not in Session PC Camp	21 PC Camp
22	23	24 CLE 10@ FIT- AUD Grade 8 Camp Info Night / New Parent Orientation	25 Fire Drill @1:15pm ADST Rotation 2 Begins	26 FIT for Learning – FIT Freeze	27 Photo Retake Day NO FIT Friday Students Report to Per 1 class 8:40am	28
29	30 National Day for Truth and Reconciliation Statutory Holiday					

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School News

With the month of September now fully underway and with our scheduling in place for staff and students we can begin to look forward to the year ahead.

Highlights for the month of September include special recognition for our responsibility as teachers and as citizens of Canada to acknowledge our collective responsibility to continue our Truth and Reconciliation journey.

As a school our Truth and Reconciliation Pillar of Learning provides an important pathway for learning and as Truth and Reconciliation conciliation commissioner [Murray Sinclair](#) stated:

"Education is what got us into this mess — the use of education at least in terms of residential schools — but education is the key to reconciliation," he said.

"We need to look at the way we are educating children. That's why we say that this is not an aboriginal problem. It's a Canadian problem."

This call to action is precisely why the work we do with our students here at Byng supporting our **Truth and Reconciliation Pillar of Learning** is so important.

Thank you to all the staff and students that have taken time through the lens of their curriculum areas to acknowledge the impact of the Residential School experience on survivors and the acknowledge the victims of this historic injustice that continues to impact Indigenous communities throughout our country.

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?



Here are just a few of the ways in which Truth and Reconciliation is being acknowledged throughout the month of September at our school:



Figure 1 Residential School Survivor, Martin Sparrow provides teachings to students in Mr. McKeen's Social Studies Class.

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Students throughout the school having been working alongside Indigenous Elders, Knowledge Keepers, artists and other community members to support their learning. This alignment with the TRC's call to action is evident throughout the school with students taking initiatives of their own to acknowledge the land as well as taking on opportunities to reach out to survivors. One example of this is taking place with Ms. Shaw's Textiles class.

Figure 2 Textiles students in Ms. Shaw's class worked with Lakota Metis Elder and Artist Mr. Ray McKewon making dolls for Residential School Survivors. The Orange shirted dolls will be gifted to Survivors once the class complete the dolls.



One group of students from the school are acknowledging the land by distributing buttons that they had made through the help of Indigenous community in China.

The buttons were made as a way of creating fair trading relationships with communities outside of Canada. Here is an update on the project from the students:

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We are the Lord Byng Fair Trade Club, and our latest project involves creating badges featuring our school logo. These badges include hand-embroidered details and are being made by artisans in impoverished remote areas. We have collaborated with talented artisans from the Yao minority ethnic group in Guizhou Province, China. These artisans, specifically from the Raojia subgroup, are renowned for their intricate and vibrant embroidery work, which has been passed down through generations. Despite their incredible craftsmanship, many of these artisans face economic challenges due to their remote location and limited market access.

We initiated this project to raise awareness about fair trade and provide support to artisans in remote areas, helping to improve their livelihoods. We will be distributing these badges on campus and providing one badge to each staff member as a token of appreciation. **We are thrilled to share this meaningful project with our community!**



Figure 3 Byng students build relationships with Indigenous communities across the world and acknowledge the land on which the school stands as an act of Truth and Reconciliation.

These are just a few of the projects that are underway to support our Truth and Reconciliation Pillar of Learning here at the school. Thanks to the incredible work of our staff, with their open hearts and minds the journey of Reconciliation is being brought to life for our students in so many ways!

Thanks for all that you do, have a great week LB!

[Lord Byng School Website](#)

Please refer to the school website for the latest updates. <https://www.vsb.bc.ca/lord-byng>
All weekly newsletters are posted on the homepage under Announcements – Weekly Bulletins.

[Photo Retake Day -Friday Sept 27th](#)

School Photo Retakes take place Friday, September 27th in the Auditorium
Please click [HERE](#) for schedule and information.

[Poisonous Plants](#)

Grounds staff have identified and removed plants growing on VSB grounds which are toxic and represent a serious health hazard, if ingested. Unfortunately, as these plants may appear at any time, it is not possible for ground staff to eliminate this hazard entirely from school grounds. It is important to note these plants occur naturally in areas

throughout the lower mainland and may be present in areas frequented on field trips and beyond the control of VSB or Grounds department.

Below is some information on two of the hazardous plants. It is important to be familiar with their appearance.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Atropa_belladonna - **Deadly Nightshade**

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hogweed>



Belladonna or Deadly Nightshade has been found at several schools. A herbaceous perennial with oval, pointed leaves, purplish flowers and black, shining berries. The entire plant contains toxic alkaloids; potentially fatal, especially in children.

If you see this plant around the school grounds, please advise the office 604-713-8171.

Please DO NOT TOUCH THIS PLANT.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Amanita_muscaria

Digital Devices Policies

One of the most significant changes for students this school year is the introduction of the recently mandated digital devices policies. This policy was outlined by the Superintendent in the letter sent to families on August 22nd, 2024.

Students and staff reviewed the policy during assemblies and homeroom classes in which the key highlights were explained.

These included the following requirements for all students:

- Personal digital devices are not to be used without the direct permission of the teacher and/or administrator
- If a personal digital device is required for instructional purposes, or to support a student's medical needs, accessibility or accommodation staff will provide clear guidelines and expectations around their use for these purposes and ensure that use is adequately supervised.
- Ideally, personal digital devices should be left at home to reduce the risk of theft.

This policy applies during all instructional time and staff will continue to remind students of our [school code of conduct](#) regarding the use of personal digital devices.

As with all other policies regarding school conduct, we appreciate parents for your support as we implement this new policy mandated by the Ministry of Education.

VSBC 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
VSBC Media Consent
Yearbook Media Consent

Emergency Student(s) Reunification Authorization (Yellow Form) & Student Verification Forms (Gr. 8’s)

Please complete and return these forms to the school office as soon as possible. All students received the emergency student reunification forms (yellow) in homeroom class and grade 8 students received the student verification forms. We kindly ask parents/guardians to verify the information on the form and make changes as needed, sign and return them to the school office. It’s important that the school has updated information on file.

Student Verification Forms Grades 9 – 12 in MyED

We are publishing the student verification forms for grades 9 to 12 in MyEd as a pdf. Please print out and make any necessary changes on the form, sign and return to the school office. It’s important that the school has updated contact information on file. The school also sends out mailings so please ensure that home address is correct.

Student Excused Absences Procedure

When a student is ill, or away for an excused reason, a parent/guardian must email the school at byngabsences@vsb.bc.ca 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 part or full day (blocks missed) or time
Copy to teachers so they are aware – email addresses located on school website

Medical Conditions / Care Plan Forms

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

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

Elevator Use for Students with Mobility Issues

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

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

School Cash Online

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

Grade 8 Camp – Please return Forms – ASAP!

Forms for the upcoming Grade 8 Camp at Camp Elphinstone were emailed out to you. This camp is an opportunity for incoming grade 8s to get to know their classmates, their peer counselors and their teachers. It is a favourite memory for many graduating students. Please submit your forms and pay on school cash (link provided on forms) as soon as possible. There will be a parent information night on Sept 24 at 5:30 pm in the school auditorium. Email questions to landerson@vsb.bc.ca. **No refunds will be issued after Oct 1, 2024.**

Details:

Dates: Oct 17-18, 2024

Where: Camp Elphinstone, Sunshine Coast

Cost: \$300/student

Forms/ link for payment: in email

Cross Country Team

Cross Country running has started. We are still looking for runners to add to our roster. If you like to run, want to get fit for another sport, or just want to be a part of a team and you're looking for a fun activity, the cross country team might be for you. We do not cut anyone from the team!

The team will meet most Mondays and Thursdays after school at the Camosun Park Track (3:30-4:45 pm) and some Wednesday mornings (7:30 am to 8:30 am) meeting outside the Lord Byng Main Gym by the doors, closest to the outdoor basketball courts. Mandatory meetings will be on Mondays at lunch in the main gym "MEETING MONDAYS". Competitions are usually once per week, mostly on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. The full schedule will be available next week. Please see Mr. Jack in the PE office or email him at bjack@vsb.bc.ca for more details.

Mr. Jack

Grade 8 Locks – Update

We have received some locks and have given one for each grade 8 student. We will handout the second lock for grade 8 students as soon as they arrive. Any questions, please contact the school office.

Water Bottles /Eating Utensils

This is a reminder to please bring your water bottles to school. There are several water stations in the school. Also, if you bring lunch to school, please remember to bring your eating utensils. The office does not have any to give out.

New Parents Orientation

Welcome to Lord Byng — New Parents Orientation

4:00pm - 5:15pm, Tuesday, September 24th in school library

SWIS Information – Online – English Conversation Circle – ECC



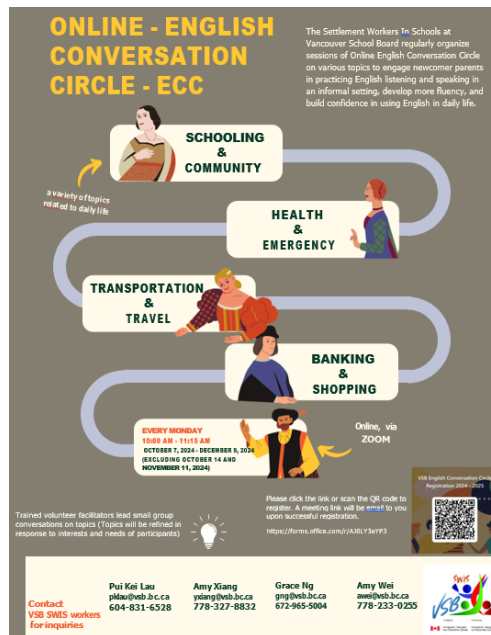
JOIN US
WELCOME TO LORD BYNG
NEW PARENTS ORIENTATION
新生家长欢迎会

When: 4:00pm - 5:15pm, Tuesday, September 24th
时间: 下午四点至五点一刻, 九月二十四日 (周二)

Where: school library
地点: 学校图书馆

RSVP
SCAN OR CLICK TO SIGN UP
请点击链接或扫描二维码确认
https://forms.office.com/r/181ELAWDQV

INQUIRY:
CONTACT AMY WEI
778-233-0255 AWE@VSB.BC.CA



ONLINE - ENGLISH CONVERSATION CIRCLE - ECC

The Settlement Workers In Schools at Vancouver School Board regularly organize sessions of Online English Conversation Circle on various topics to engage newcomer parents in practicing English listening and speaking in an informal setting, develop more fluency, and build confidence in using English in daily life.

- SCHOOLING & COMMUNITY
- HEALTH & EMERGENCY
- TRANSPORTATION & TRAVEL
- BANKING & SHOPPING

EVERY BIONDAY
11:00 AM - 11:15 AM
OCTOBER 7, 2024 - DECEMBER 6, 2024
(EXCLUDING OCTOBER 14 AND NOVEMBER 11, 2024)

Online, via ZOOM

Please click the link or scan the QR code to register. A meeting link will be email to you soon successful registration.
<https://forms.office.com/y/ADL34rF3>

Trained volunteer facilitators lead small group conversations on topics (Topics will be refined in response to interests and needs of participants)

Contact:
VSB SWIS workers for inquiries

Pui Kee Lau pklau@vsb.bc.ca 604-831-6528	Amy Xiang yxiang@vsb.bc.ca 778-327-8832	Grace Ng gn@vsb.bc.ca 672-965-5004	Amy Wei awe@vsb.bc.ca 778-233-0255
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Please see links below to register:

[New Parent Orientation](#) [Online-English Conversation Circle](#)

Career Education

You may have seen a Career Education course on your child's timetable. All students in Grade 9-12 have a year-long ministry mandated Career Course that they must complete in order to graduate. All of these courses are run off-timetable. We will have introductory assemblies for students this month for these courses. It is important that your child attends these assemblies so that they receive important information about their career courses.

Grade 10's: CLE 10 Assembly on Sept 24th, during FIT

Grade 9's: CE 9 Assembly Oct 17 period 2

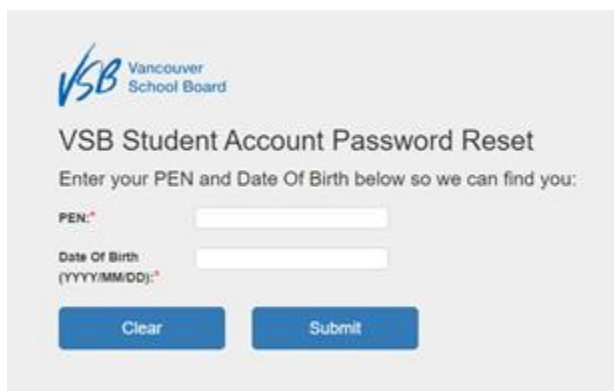
MyEd BC

Access will be available to all students after 3:00 pm, August 30, 2024. All existing accounts have been re-enabled with the new expiry date of **31-July-2025**. Should you forget your password, click the "*I forgot my password*" function. A new system generated password will be sent to your email account.

All NEW students at Lord Byng school for school year 2024-2025 are to log in using their student number. All new accounts will have the default password of **Dist\$2025** (case sensitive). After you login you will be asked to create a new password. You will also need to provide an email address. **It is highly recommended to use your District provided VSB email – student#@learn.vsb.bc.ca (eg: 12345@learn.vsb.bc.ca)**

TEAMS Password Reset

Students may use the new Student Password Reset Portal: <https://studentpass.vsb.bc.ca> to reset their TEAMS password. They will need to provide their PEN# & Date of Birth. Please follow the instructions to reset your password. Below is what you will see when you click the link:



The screenshot shows the VSB Student Account Password Reset form. At the top left is the VSB Vancouver School Board logo. The title is "VSB Student Account Password Reset". Below the title is the instruction "Enter your PEN and Date Of Birth below so we can find you:". There are two input fields: "PEN:" and "Date Of Birth (YYYY/MM/DD):". Below the input fields are two buttons: "Clear" and "Submit".

Logging into School Wi-Fi - VSB Secured

Log onto Wi-Fi – VSB Secured

User ID must be the @learn email

(student # @learn.vsb.bc.ca)

Password should be the one that was set for TEAMS

Lockers

Student Instructions to select locker online:

1. It is recommended that students use a school lock. These are available for purchase from the office. Payment for locks can be made via School Cash Online.
2. Go to locker administration [website](#) for the school. This website will be live as of September 3, 2024
3. Login using your student number as the user id and your initials and student number as the password. For example, if your name is "John Smith" and your student number is 12345, your user id would be "12345" and your password would be "JS12345". The password is case sensitive!
4. Zones of the school are already designated by grades. Note that as the availability of lockers in a zone the zone buttons will change from **Yellow** (many lockers available), to **Orange** (over 50% of lockers capacity assigned) to **Red** (no lockers available in zone other than your grade).
5. Before you can select your locker, please enter the combination of the lock you will be using with dashes in a format such as "00-00-00".
6. All available lockers will be listed in the zone designated for your grade. A locker entry that is **Green** is an empty locker, and a locker entry that is **Orange** has at least one person in the locker already. ie Grade 10 students will be required to share their locker with their preferred locker partner.
7. Once you have selected a locker, you can login at any time to see your assigned locker and combination.
8. You cannot change your locker through the online application.

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.

Collaboration Dates

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	10:40 - 10:50
Block 2	10:50 - 11:30
Lunch	11:30 - 12:15
Block 3	12:15 - 1:35
Break	1:35 - 1:40
Block 4	1:40 - 3:00

School Calendar / Bell Schedules / Collaborative Days

[2024-2025 School Calendar](#)

[Bell Schedule/Collaborative Day](#)

Lord Byng Daily, FIT

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
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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
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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

Grad Portraits @ Artona Studio – Sept 20 – 24th

This is a reminder to grade 12 students to book their grad photo session at Artona Studio. Sept 20-24, 2024. The studio has been booked for Byng students so please book your appointment. Celebrate Grad 2025 with photos and be in the yearbook and grad composite.

Please see link: <https://artona.com/schools/BYNG>



Grad Session

📅 Sep 20, 2024 – Sep 24, 2024

Celebrate Grad 2025 with photos and be in the yearbook

Key Information

- 📌 Formal cap and gown portraits plus photos in your own outfit. Read more about the [deposit](#) and [how to prepare](#)
- 📌 Bring your family, friends and pets
- 📌 View our Grad Product Guide

Counselling Update

University Visits

Langara college visited us this past Tuesday during Fit. Our next visit is scheduled for October 1 and 2 during lunch in the auditorium when we will welcome Western and Queens Universities, respectively. Please come out and learn about the options they are offering.

Parent Presentation for all Grade 12 parents and guardians

Counselling team will host high school graduation and beyond presentation to all of our grade 12 families. This will follow a grade 12 presentation that all grade 12s students will receive. We hope to provide information to families, that will make parenting grade 12s a tad easier! Dates to come!

Counselling Teams

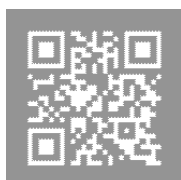
Counselling teams are now up and running. Please if you are a new student, let your counsellor know and ask them to add you to our Counselling Teams group. This is where we post a lot of information regarding: post-secondary school options, scholarships, extra-curricular opportunities, mental health 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...

Course Changes

Counsellors have worked extremely hard over the past two weeks. We have met with many students and tried to accommodate as many requests as possible. We would like to extend our appreciation for your support and patience. Here is our team this year: we hope you reach out to us, and even more encourage your children to come and see us in person.

A-Gr Ms. Millinazzo kmilinazzo@vsb.bc.ca
Gs - L Ms. Radic jradic@vsb.bc.ca
M-Te Ms. Davies cdavies@vsb.bc.ca
Tf-Z Ms. Vanderklippe mvanderklippe@vsb.bc.ca

PAC News



JOIN OUR EMAIL LIST: The Byng PAC sends out monthly newsletters that contain information relevant to the parent and guardian community. Please use this QR code to go directly to the sign-up sheet or visit our website <https://www.lordbyngpac.com/> to subscribe. We look forward to connecting with you.

JOIN THE PAC! Please consider joining the 2024-2025 Byng PAC. Our goal is to make Byng the best learning environment for our kids as possible. We are especially looking for parents/guardians with kids in grades 8 and 9. Nominations are open for the following elected exec positions: Chair/Co-Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer, Secretary, DPAC Rep. Many of the existing PAC members will be running again but we will try hard to make room for anyone who is interested in joining.

Parents/guardians are also welcome to join the following subcommittees (no election needed): Byng Arts, Safety, Equity & Diversity, and Fundraising & Events. Please see the PAC website for more details: <https://www.lordbyngpac.com/> and email us if you have questions big or small. lordbyngschoolpac@gmail.com

WEDNESDAY MORNING WALKS - For parents/guardians who would like to enjoy nature while making new connections in the Byng community, please join us for our Wednesday 9am walks. All are welcome. Meet near the front entrance (W. 16th Ave). Please email any questions to Nora at noradyng@hotmail.com

GRADE 12 PARENTS AND GUARDIANS' GRAD COMMITTEE – Every year, the Byng Parent Grad Committee supports the celebrations of our school's well-deserved graduates by raising funds and supporting the organization of various events. The success of these events depends on parent volunteers. Thanks to everyone who has volunteered and attended the first committee meeting this week. If you can join the volunteer committee, please email bynggradcommittee2025@gmail.com. We are still looking for volunteers to take on some key roles.

GRAD 2025 PARENT DISTRIBUTION LIST SIGN-UP– To join the Parent Grad Committee Distribution list for important updates click here: <https://forms.gle/8SMzfCdFfun3Kmba6>

BYNG ARTS – Byng has a [Byng Arts Parents Group](#) and a Byng Arts PAC subcommittee. 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. Many Byng Arts parents are connected via WhatsApp – we have groups for new families, for carpooling, for specific arts specialties, etc. Please join! <https://www.lordbyngpac.com/byng-arts-parents>

***NEW* PAC INCLUSION AND DIVERSITY COMMITTEE** - PAC would like to create a space for discussing issues related to inclusion and diversity at Byng. Please get in touch with PAC Exec member Jacqueline Crummey j.crummey@icloud.com for more details.

CHINESE PARENT SUPPORT INFORMATION:

每周学校新闻的中文版和中文播报将更新在PAC官网上

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

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

Lord Byng Art Gallery – Call for Artists

What have you been up to this summer? We want to display your work in the Gallery and are putting an open call out for artwork from all students. We will hang the show later this September. Work can be dropped off each morning in the Gallery – deadline is next week. Make sure to put your name and contact info on the back of the work so we can easily return it to you.

Byng Arts

BYNG ARTS FAB Assembly – La Carmalita Flamenco

As part of our 25th Anniversary celebrations, we were fortunate to have two of our alumni return to present La Carmalita Flamenco performance on Thursday. Sara and Deborah were overjoyed by the reception that they received during the FAB on Thursday and have forwarded the following message:

Thank you again for having us back yesterday. It was a truly heartwarming experience. Here is the information for the show tonight if you or the students are interested:







<https://www.showpass.com/viff-confluencias-larawong-melonjimenez/>



Byng Arts Passport
<http://passport.lordbyng.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 for each submission date.

Here are some of the most recent options:

<p>Art from the Archives Art</p>  <p>Each year we purchase a work from a graduating student and add it to our collection. See the pieces on display in the Gallery and document your visit with a photo.</p>	<p>Saturn General</p>  <p>Get things started with your best creative foot forward - do an art event or two in the month of September and send in photo evidence.</p>	<p>Grade 8 "Sports" Day - afterschool September 12 Events</p>  <p>All Grade 8s are invited to join our first House event afterschool on September 12th. No Quidditch but wear something comfortable. This is a fun way to get to meet your fellow students. See you there.</p>
<p>Welcome Back Assembly (September 12th) Events</p>  <p>Welcome to a new year in Byng Arts. Join us in the auditorium for the first assembly and help us sort things out!</p>	<p>I Know What You Did This Summer General</p>  <p>Share some of the art events that you participated in this summer by uploading an image as proof. You can't get smART without ART!</p>	<p>Best Face Forward General</p>  <p>Add a personalized image to your account by putting your best face forward.</p>

Each student has a new account that uses your student number as your username. We have posted log in instructions on Teams and have also included them here:

1. Go to the Passport Site: <http://passport.lordbyng.net>
2. Use your Student Number as your USERNAME.
3. PASSWORDS are already set and follow the following set of rules:

Most follow this default pattern:

- **Last name + underscore + last 3 digits of your student number**
 - For Hermione Granger this would be: Granger_242

Two situations where things are slightly different:

1. if your last name is 5 letters in length or less things are different, use:
 - **Last name + underscore + first name + underscore + last three digits of your Student number**
 - For Cho Chang this would be: Chang_Cho_123
2. if your student number ends in three digits that are the same (11223666), use the first three digits instead of the last three (only 6 or 7 of you are in this situation).
 - For Lucius Malfoy, his password is Malfoy_112

Once you are in, take a screenshot and submit it for your first badge: The Master Code Breaker Achievement.

Student Council Info

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

We will post a call for Grade and Department Reps this week on Teams. Check out the Student Council Channel on the Byng Arts Site: [Byng Arts Info Site \(2024-25\) | General | Microsoft Teams](#)

Gala is November 27th Theme Once Upon A Winter!!!

Welcome Back, I look forward to a fun and creative year ahead.

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