

BAYSIDE SECONDARY SCHOOL

Message from your Principal

When you receive the enclosed report card and this newsletter, Semester Two will be well underway. Bayside students enjoyed a tremendous amount of success in Semester One in both academics and extracurriculars. We are looking forward to more great things as the second semester unfolds.

We are committed to making sure the "Bayside Experience" is the best high school experience for your children. In addition, we are consistently encouraging all of our students to play a key role in creating their high school experience by not only challenging themselves in academics but also in one or more the following areas: arts, athletics, technology and/or school culture.

Throughout the month of February, students will be following our course selection process and choosing their courses for next year. The actual selection of courses occurs online but there will be several opportunities for your son and / or daughter to learn more about the variety of courses Bayside offers. We are one of the biggest schools in the area; therefore, we offer one of the largest selection of courses to choose from. This creates greater opportunities for our students but at the same time, it creates a greater need to understand what all the courses are about. I cannot encourage you enough to be involved in your son's and / or daughter's course selection process. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the guidance department at the school (613-966-2922 ext. 2118).

A big thank you to Canadian Tire and their Jump Start Program for donating over \$20,000.00 to our fitness centre and weight training facility. This financial support allowed Mr. Allin and the health and physical education department to purchase top quality fitness equipment that our students will be able to use for many years to come. This will not only help our students become healthier, but the increased opportunities for fitness training will also make our student athletes safer by increasing their resistance to injuries. I applaud Mr. Allin and the health and physical education staff for taking this proactive approach to our students' safety and well-being.

A special thank you and congratulations to Mr. Hutchison from the science department and Ms. Cook from the front office, who both retired this past January 31st. Their expertise, dedication and willingness to always help out will be greatly missed. We wish them all the best.

As always, if you have any questions, concerns or comments regarding the school, please do not hesitate to contact me. Whether your call is to ask a question, make me aware of what a great job one of our students or teachers is doing, or to provide me with some constructive feedback, it is always welcome.



Upcoming Dates

Feb. 17 Family Day

Feb. 19 | Read
Canadian Day

Feb. 20 Grade 8
Parents Night @
7PM

Feb. 21 Winter
Carnival

Feb. 25 School
Council @ 6:30

Kudos and Thanks

* The science department and the custodial staff for all their hard work and preparation for the \$1.3 million dollar science renovations.

*Congratulations to Dave Hutchison and Kelley Cook on their retirement.

*Welcome Katie Sherlock and Debra Lee Chapman to our new front office team.

*To all our coaches of fall/ winter sports.

J. Press



Law

Grade 12 Law students competed in the Ontario Justice Education Network's provincial Charter Challenge competition this semester. Julide Berber, Ian Dales, Mia Hobson, and Catey McNeill worked alongside local lawyer Sarah Graydon to craft a factum - written legal arguments based on precedent and law. Their firm finished top eight in the province, arguing to protect Charter rights against unreasonable search and seizure. Mr. Gibson is very proud of their efforts against difficult competition, and invites all interested to participate in the Board wide Hastings Cup Mock Trial competition at the Belleville courthouse this April.

Therapy Dogs are Back

The therapy dogs will be in the front foyer during both lunches on February 10, March 30, May 4, and June 8. Stop by to pet these friendly dog friends and say "Hello" to their handlers as well. Bayside is proud to host the therapy dogs about once a month.

Global Awareness Committee

The Global Awareness Committee is a group of motivated students who meet once a week in the Student Centre to discuss world issues. We hope to make a positive impact on the world by starting in our own school. Last fall, the committee hosted a Coffee House that showcased Bayside's amazing artistic and musical talent. The money raised was donated to Sandy Pines Wildlife Centre (\$150.00).

Global Awareness will be hosting a bake sale during both lunches on Friday, February 14, to raise money for the Australian wildfire relief efforts. Be sure to bring some change that day for delicious treats - made with love.

Watch for Earth Week initiatives this April, including our annual campus Trash Bash. For 2020, Global Awareness members encourage all staff and students to focus on the other two R's - reducing and reusing. We will be showcasing and encouraging green practices, including zero waste products.

Grad Book Committee

Attention Grade 12s

The Grad Book Committee is working on a 52 page hardcover yearbook that will capture your memories throughout the school year. It is \$35.00 and can be purchased through school cash online or by making a payment to the main office. Order deadline is March 12, 2020.



Google Classroom and Twitter

Students have been invited to be a part of the Student Centre Google Classroom. Through this site, students can access information about job opportunities, volunteering, scholarships, planning for post-secondary, and much more. This is a great source of information for all students, and we encourage them to access this support by coming to Guidance and getting the access code if they have not already done so.

Students can also access information on the Bayside Guidance Twitter page - @BSSGuidance - for information related to the above topics and much more.

Course Selection

The Guidance Department will be starting course selections with grades 9-12 students the second week of February in MSP classes. We will follow a schedule to meet with every student in their MSP between February 11th and 21st.

Students will enter their course selections into My Blueprint again this year. My Blueprint is an online tool used by the Guidance Department to work on career and life planning. It is also used in Careers classes, CO-OP and the Specialist High Skills Major program.

My Blueprint will be open for course selection starting on February 11th. Students can enter the program and add choices, but if they wish to speak to a member of the Guidance staff before submission, they can check with their MSP teacher to know when we will be in each class. After clicking on submit, students will not be able to make changes to their selections without speaking to someone in Guidance.

All students will have their Course Selection Sheet printed for them on February 28th when course selections close. All homeroom teachers will provide this copy to students to have signed and returned to Guidance. Please note that changes can still be made to course selections after this time, but will need to be done with Guidance staff and not on My Blueprint.

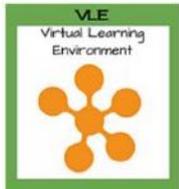
On February 7th all Grade 10 students will attend an assembly to hear about the programs that are offered to grade 11 and 12 students. These programs include CO-OP, SHSM in Manufacturing and Environment, Arts, Physical Education, Science, and much more.

If you have any questions please contact Mrs. Francis (Ext. 2184), or Ms. Primeau (Ext. 2178) in the Guidance Office.

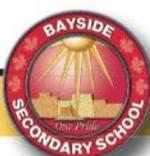
LOGIN

1. Visit <https://bss.hpedsb.on.ca/> - school website
2. Click on the VLE – Virtual Learning Environment
3. You will enter the username and password that you use to login to the school computers and then click **Sign In**





Sign in using your HPEDSB Active Directory Username and Password



Life in the Learning Commons

Now that Bayside is a grades 7-12 school, the Learning Commons is even busier than ever. We are now home to two book clubs. On Tuesdays, Bayside's bookworms (grade seven and eight students) meet to read and discuss Red Maple titles from the Forest of Reading. Students enjoyed a 'made from a book' ornament making meeting prior to Christmas holidays and we look forward to having a bookmark making workshop hosted by Bayside's own Adey Singer. Our highschool book club (grades nine through twelve) meets one Thursday a month. Students are reading the Forest of Reading's White Pine nominations, as well as student initiated titles and genres. We are looking forward to several book related activities in semester two: "I Read Canadian Day" on February 19th, Forest of Reading voting April 23rd and a school visit from Eric Walters on May 11th.

In addition to housing great fiction and popular fiction, the Learning Commons provides a quiet place to work for students, as well as access to online and print resources for research. Academic honesty is a priority at Bayside and students can obtain help from Mrs. Morrow when it comes to choosing appropriate research sources and creating a properly formatted Works Cited. In fact, this year our grade seven and eight students received Works Cited training and they are well on their way to becoming academic honesty experts.

Towards the end of January, students were invited to sign up for a miniature Zen garden workshop in the Learning Commons. It took place just prior to exams and was an opportunity for students to think about anti-anxiety strategies when it comes to studying and assignment completion. Over twenty-five students attended, including some of our seven and eight students. We lowered the lights, 'lit' our battery operated candles, played some Zen music and created beautiful miniature gardens.

As the new semester commences, we look forward to new activities in the Learning Commons, including a 'whodunit' puzzle challenge and lots of mini events as part of the build up to "I Read Canadian Day." Stay tuned...



I Read Canadian Day

On Wednesday, February 19th, why not join hundreds of thousands of fellow Canadians and stop for fifteen minutes to read a Canadian author?! Fiction, non-fiction, poetry, plays, editorials, you name it. If it's Canadian, it counts! For a huge variety of reading suggestions, check out <https://ireadcanadian.com/building-readers/>. If you'd like to throw your support behind this day, why not consider donating a Canadian book to your local library?

A special thank you goes out to Canadian Young Adult author Eric Walters for spear-heading this campaign and for the support this initiative is receiving from the Ontario Library Association, the Canadian Children's Book Centre, and the Canadian Society of Children's Authors, Illustrators and Performers (CANSCAIP).



Spirit Wear

Interested in Bayside Spirit Wear? Spirit Wear order forms are available in the main office now and will be available through school cash online shortly.



Food for Learning

Bayside's Food for Learning programme had a busy Fall and Winter term. We have two locations this year: a central spot in the Learning Commons, as well as a grade seven and eight location that is coordinated by Mme Rowe and Mme Plumpton. Students can access breakfast before school and at nutrition break, and lunches during periods 3 and 4. For breakfast, students may choose from cereal and yoghurt, toasted bagels and apples from Grills Orchards. Thanks to the efforts of Ms. Ellis' Foods classes, students who forget a lunch may stop by the LC for a sandwich and yoghurt or an apple. Bayside is grateful for the funding we receive from Food for Learning (the Learning Foundation), as well as a significant grant from President's Choice Children's Charities. We also receive some of the funds raised by the annual Feed the Meter campaign. All of this funding is necessary, given that Bayside spends about \$1000 a month on groceries for our programmes. If you would like to make a donation toward Bayside's FFL programme, please contact Mrs. Morrow (613 966-2922 ext. 2126), or Kellie Brace (613 966-1170 ext. 62232).

Musical Theatre Coming Soon!



The Lady Bug

BAYSIDE'S ARTS NEWSLETTER

Bayside Goes Blonde

Theatre

This spring, *Legally Blonde the Musical* is coming to Bayside! Auditions, rehearsals, blocking, set design – and that's only part of the work that will go into this production. Mrs. Richmond runs the two credit senior course, where students get the opportunity to act, dance, and sing. For Katie, a grade 11 student, the Musical Theatre Program at Bayside has been in her plans since day one: "I remember working as a backstage hand for *Grease*, our last musical, and being in awe of the performers singing and dancing with such joy and dedication! I am so thankful for the opportunity to participate in *Legally Blonde the Musical* this year." The musical will be performed on May 28-30th – Watch out for further announcements!

Student Art Gallery

Visual Art



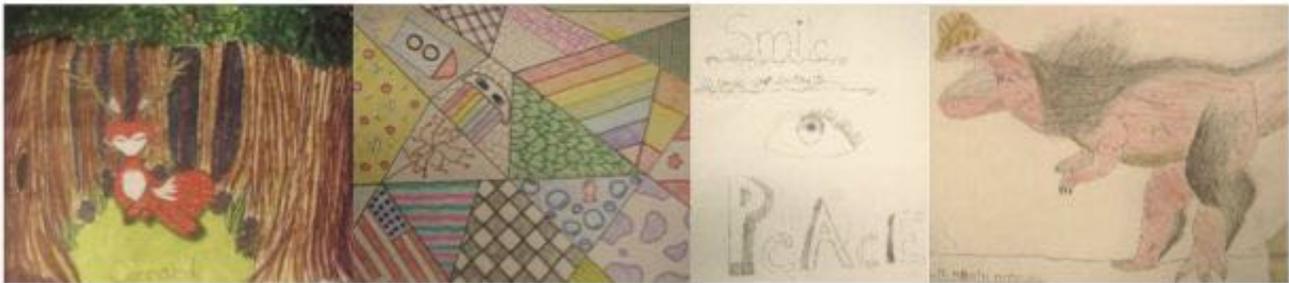
Britanny, Grade 12

Sophia, Grade 8

Kaitlyn, Grade 10

Blaire, Grade 12

Victoria, Grade 12



Luka, Grade 7

Rachel, Grade 7

Peyton, Grade 7

Gage, Grade 8



Indie

Abby, Grade 12

Shai, Grade 10

Charlotte, Grade 9

Ian, Grade 12

If you're interested in submitting art for next month's issue of *The Lady Bug*, contact Adey at adeyflower@gmail.com or [@adey3k](https://www.instagram.com/adey3k) on Instagram.

The Podcast

Comic



Bravo Bayside: A Travelin' Arts Show

Music

Last December, the grade nine music class and concert band went to two long term care facilities to perform festive music. "It's amazing to see how music can bring people together," says Kidan, who got the chance to participate. They also got to perform at Frankford P.S., Sterling P.S., and Harry J. Clarke. "I've made friends in band," says Bobb. "Music is fun." Ms. Foster is looking forward to the Quinte Rotary Music Festival in the spring, where she hopes the concert band and senior class will participate.

Student Book Recommendations

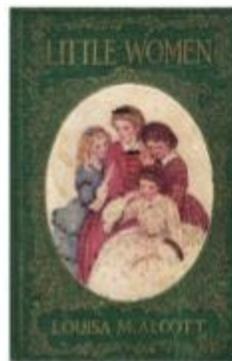
Literary



The Invention of Hugo Cabret
Brian Selznick

Student: Sarah Vollmer

The Invention of Hugo Cabret is an amazing book. It is very well written. It has a very different style that I have never seen anywhere else. This book is not only told through words, but also pictures.



Little Women Louisa M. Alcott

Student: Seraphina Destun

Little Women is one of my favourite books. It's interesting to read books from the past, especially one featuring women in the lead roles. It has strong lead characters to root for and the book's themes can be perceived in different ways.



Throne of Glass Sarah J. Mass

Student: Willow Rasmus

Throne of Glass is an incredible book. The attention to detail is amazing and it feels like I am part of this world. The main character spins things to her advantage and is a strong person.



Wrestling

Well, let me tell ya something BROTHER!!! This is a message to all my Hulkamaniacs out there, man! This season has been full of successes and we are taking it straight to the top! All wrestlers keep the pedal to the metal and be ready to rock sem two. COSSA is at the end of February and everyone needs to be at practice on the regular to keep the gains going!!! Let's make this season one for the ages, and to all my Hulkamaniacs, watcha gonna do when Hulkamania runs wild on you!!!!



Improv



On February 27th, the Bayside Improv team will be travelling to Kingston to compete in the Canadian Improv Games (Kingston Regional) tournament. This tournament consists of over 10 teams from Port Hope to Gananoque. We will be competing with other Hastings Prince Edward School Board teams, such as, East Side Secondary, North Hastings High School, and Prince Edward Collegiate Institute. The 12 member team is very excited to be a part of this great level of competition. The performances will be held at Regiopolis Notre Dame High school in Kingston at 7 pm. Bayside will be performing on the Friday night, hoping to make it to finals on Saturday. You can find more information about the Canadian Improv Games and the Kingston tournament at www.improv.ca.



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