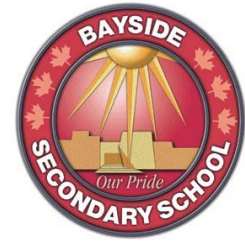




BAYSIDE Secondary School



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Dear Bayside Community,

Please see the following Updates from Bayside Secondary. There is so much going on at school.

OSSLT Update

Friday May 13, 2022 marked the final day of writing for our grade 10 and 11 Bayside students who participated in this year's online Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test. More than 230 students participated in this year's test. We are so very proud of all of our hard working students. Final results will be shared with schools sometime this summer, and unsuccessful students will be notified in the fall.

Student Success Day

Our next Student Success Day will be this Friday, May 27th. The purpose of this day is to provide Grade 9-12 students with opportunities to access extra help, receive feedback from their teachers, catch up on school work if they are behind in their learning and/or credit completion. We encourage all students to attend and buses are running as usual. If your student has been specifically invited to attend, we do ask that you ensure they are in attendance to work with their teacher. It is a regular instructional day for students in Grades 7 and 8.

Washroom Situation at BSS

I want to take a moment to address the behaviour in the washrooms that we continue to experience at Bayside. I would like to assure you that your admin team takes this very seriously. We ask that you speak to your children about washrooms at Bayside Secondary and assure them that we are doing everything possible to ensure bathrooms feel safe for our students. Our Bayside Community must continue to work together on this to avoid overcrowding, socializing and unhealthy and risky behavior in our washroom.

Here are some of the steps we continue to follow to make our washrooms safer and more accessible for all students at BSS:

- Closely monitoring and clearing the washrooms during class, breaks and lunch hour
- Quickly responding to students and staff when they report washrooms are overcrowded, and clearing them out
- Holding students caught vaping/smoking accountable with progressive discipline interventions

- Working closely with our local Health Unit to promote and launch the Quash Initiative - A cessation program to help and support teens to quit vaping. The QUASH app is developed specifically for youth trying to quit vaping



- - Also, here is an excellent resource to share with your child: <https://www.notanexperiment.ca/>
- We are working closely with Chelsea Robinson, our School Health Nurse, to visit with students during lunchtime to express concern and get a sense of why vaping is such a social behaviour among teens. Chelsea also shared information about the Quash initiative and used the opportunity to educate students about the dangers of vaping. Beginning in June Chelse will be available each Monday for 1:1 Vaping Cessation programming.
- Working with our local tobacco enforcement officer to inquire about fines for students found smoking/ vaping on school property

The Bayside Quarry

Our school is lucky enough to have an extensive greenspace adjacent to our school. Please note that this is school property and is not available to the public during school hours as we use it exclusively for curriculum programming. We would also like to advise all families that the Quarry is considered an adventurous outdoor greenspace and students are not allowed to access the quarry during school hours unless they are accompanied by their teacher. It is strictly off limits during lunch time. Please review this expectation with your child.

School Council

Our next school Council meeting is this Thursday, May 26 from 5:30 - 6:30 and will be held in-person in Learning Commons. All are welcome to attend. Please rsvp to Sheryl Farrar at farrarsheryl@gmail.com if you are interested in attending

Prom

The Bayside Prom will be held this year at Occasions By The Bay on June 17. Doors will open @ 5pm, dinner at 6pm, dance to follow. Tickets will be on sale from May 24-May 27. Tickets are \$95 and can be purchased from school cash online.

Grade 8 Graduation

Our Grade 8 Graduation will take place on June 28th in our Gymnasium. We ask that graduates arrive by 6pm, with the ceremony scheduled to start at 6:30pm. This will be a wonderful opportunity to come together and celebrate all the accomplishments and cherished memories from this past academic year.

Grade 12 Graduation

This year our Grade 12 Graduation will be held at the Duncan McDonald Memorial Arena in Trenton on Wednesday, June 29th at 6 pm. Information on Tickets will be available soon. Please note that we have a Grad Merch Available from Talbot Marketing. Orders begin this week. <http://bss.talbotstore.com/>

Grade 6 and Grade 8 Red Devil Days

Our teachers have been busy planning and preparing for the arrival of our new students in September. On May 27th, current Grade 8 students from Bayside Secondary, Stirling Public, Harry J. Clarke, and Frankford Public schools will descend upon our beautiful campus for a full-day of exciting early orientation activities. Students will be able to tour classes, enjoy a free pizza lunch, participate in games setup by our student Athletic Council, and possibly win some BSS prizes! Not to be outdone, on June 24th current Grade 6 students from Prince Charles Trenton and Bayside Public will have their own opportunity to share in the "Bayside Experience", with games, snacks, and tours of our intermediate-wing!

Doors Open Bayside

On June 8th, BSS will open its doors to our school community! From 5:30pm-7:00pm, current and incoming Grade 7-12 students and families are invited to come by for a tour of our building and facilities, and to hear about all the exciting things we have to offer. From athletics to academics, to single-streaming and MSIP, this night will be an amazing opportunity for you to be introduced to, or get reacquainted with, what Bayside Secondary School is all about. It has been a long time since our Doors have been open to our community and we want to give you a chance to come in and have a look around. Take advantage of a self guided tour or group tours, meet the admin team and representatives from student services during this informal open house.

Grade 7 and 8 Field trips

BSS' Grade 7s and 8s are quite busy as they move towards the end of the school year! Our school Track & Field meet is planned for May 26th, and this will surely be a wonderful opportunity for all students to participate and set their own "personal bests". The excitement from the track will turn to cheers from the roller coaster, as our Grade 7s and 8s will travel to Canada's Wonderland on June 9th for their year-end trip. And finally, on June 22nd, as a way to celebrate their final Elementary school year, our Grade 8s will take a trip to Quinte Bowl! A huge thank you goes to all our intermediate teachers who have made these excursions possible. A lot of time goes into planning and making these events possible, and these efforts are greatly appreciated.

Elementary Class Assignment Requests

If you have any information that you would like us to consider when we develop our classroom assignments for next school year, please email rcummings@hpedsb.on.ca and your child's classroom teacher before Friday, June 17th. Please know that we take great care in placing our students in their classes and we appreciate any important information or requests that you may share. We review all information carefully when we create our class lists.

Admin Update

Please note that Vice Principal Brent Jewel will be unavailable for remainder of the school year. Vice Principal Stacey Dunning or Principal Ruth Ellen Cummings will be pleased to assist you.