



BAYSIDE SECONDARY SCHOOL

Message from your Principal



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When you receive the enclosed report card and this newsletter, semester two will be 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. I am especially looking forward to the musical theatre production of "Grease" in June. Ms. Richmond and her students have already started working on this big undertaking.

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 from which to choose. 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 student's course selection process. If you have any questions, please contact the guidance department at the school (613-966-2922 ext. 2118).

I would like to congratulate Mr. Morrow on his recent retirement. Mr. Morrow has been an integral part of our school and specifically the cooperative education program at Bayside Secondary School. His constant leadership, expertise, wisdom and willingness to help out will be missed tremendously. All the best in your retirement.

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 teachers or students is doing, or to provide me with some constructive feedback, it is always welcome.

J. Press

Upcoming Dates

Feb. 5 - Semester II begins
 Feb. 7 - Report Cards go home
 Feb. 16 - Immunization Clinic
 Feb. 19 - Family Day
 Feb. 23 - Winter Carnival /
 Grade 8 Day at BSS
 Feb. 23 - Course Selection
 Sheets Due
 Mar 11-18 - March Break

Please call the office to update any contact, health or emergency information.

Kudos and thanks ...

- ◆ To our Technology students who created beautiful Christmas ornaments.
- ◆ To our Co-op students who enjoyed authentic learning in the workplace.
- ◆ To our Global Awareness group for running our recycling programme.
- ◆ To our dedicated staff who run extra-curriculars to support student engagement beyond the classroom setting.



Book Club

This year Book Club boasts a membership of over 25 students. We meet once a month to discuss student choice books, as well as this year's White Pine selections from the Forest of Reading. On December 14th, 2017, Bayside's Book Club members were treated to a visit from Canadian Young Adult author Danielle Younge-Ullman. Ms. Younge-Ullman is the author of the book, *Everything Beautiful is Not Ruined*. Students chose the title as one of their readers' choice books and were quite pleased when it was announced in October that the title had been chosen by the Ontario Library Association as one of the ten nominated White Pine books. Ms. Younge-Ullman spoke to students about the writing process and explained how personal experiences can be excellent fodder for story ideas. After a lively Q and A, our author led a writing workshop for those students who were interested in honing their writing skills.



New members are always welcome at Book Club. Come visit the Learning Commons to find out the reading schedule for Semester II. White Pine voting will take place on April 19th.

Food For Learning

Bayside has continued to promote student nutrition by offering Food for Learning throughout the school day. Students may visit the Learning Commons before school or at break to access a continental breakfast. Those who don't have a lunch can pick up a sandwich, yoghurt and an apple during periods three and four. Grills Orchards apples are available throughout the day and are Bayside's nutritious snack of choice. We would like to thank Bayside's GSA for their donation of turkey. Fresh turkey sandwiches were enjoyed for lunch one day and the following day students were served homemade turkey soup.

Our nutrition programmes are funded by the Learning Foundation's Food for Learning organization and by monies raised by Student Council fundraisers and initiatives. It takes careful budgeting to provide two meals and a snack to students every day. Thank you to those who took time to "Feed the Meter" this holiday season as donations to meters help fund school nutrition programmes. If you are interested in making a monetary or grocery donation to Bayside's nutrition programmes, please contact Kellie Brace, the Board's Food for Learning Co-ordinator at 613 966-1170, ext. 2232. Please watch for future advertising of the upcoming spring auction in aid of Food for Learning programmes.



A New Face in the LC!

Bayside would like to welcome Ms. Bell to the Learning Commons. While Mrs. Morrow is on leave semester II, Ms. Bell will be at the helm, looking after students' research, reading and citation needs. Ms. Bell's subject teaching area is English so she is well suited to the job and her experience at Centennial's Learning Commons will serve Bayside well. And did we mention, she will be taking up the reins of moderating book club discussions! Food for Learning will continue to be offered in the Learning Commons thanks to Ms. Bell and Mrs. Stott's commitment to ensuring that no student is ever hungry at school. Please stop by the Learning Commons to wish Ms. Bell a warm welcome.



Musical Theatre Presents!



The 2018 Bayside Musical Theatre Production class presents, "Grease" by Warren Casey and Jim Jacobs. This exciting, fun loving musical will be coming to Bayside's stage in June. Tickets will be available starting in May. See future advertising for locations and costs.

"GO GREASE LIGHTNING!!"

Photography Club

Bayside's Photography Club has been on hiatus while we prepare for exams. We will be starting up again in early February when we will discuss landscape photography, more about your camera settings on DSLRs and wildlife photography in winter and spring settings. As the weather warms, we may decide to take an after-school trip to Potter's Creek Conservation Area to look for wildlife along the shore of the Bay of Quinte (Night Herons, Blue Herons and Kingfishers, have all been spotted here!). See Mr. Reid for details!



Common Goldeneye, Trent River





Once again Bayside's participation in the annual Christmas Sharing Program was an overwhelming success. We provided twenty-two families with a food hamper containing ingredients for a Christmas dinner (turkey included). We also donated over 100 pounds of food to the local food bank. Thanks to our Bayside students and families for being so generous; it could not be such a success without your participation.



Wrestling With the Devil(s) & BSS Barbells

The 2018 wrestling team is fired up for another season. The BSS wrestling team is going strong and is gearing up for COSSA. The wrestlers have been in four meets and have mined enough medals to make Bitcoin jealous. The team is thirty members strong and members collected over 150 medals this season. There are two more meets before COSSA and the wrestlers are hoping to represent their school and their region at OFSAA in March. Bayside Barbell wants you! Come out and get yourself stronger. The program is currently available to all Bayside Secondary Students. Anyone interested should see Mr. Allin or Mr. Whitney.



Course Selection

Course Selection will take place starting the first week of February. Watch for information to come home with your students which will include a course selection planning sheet, as well as an instruction sheet for choosing classes and how to enter their choices into "My Blueprint".

My Blueprint is a career planning tool that all students are using across the Board and is an excellent method for mapping out their journey through high school but also for their post-secondary destinations.

The Guidance Department will be visiting each MSP class to assist students with their choices, as well as course planning for post-secondary. Students may use this time to ask questions but also to enter their choices if they wish. There is information on specific courses and programs such as course descriptions, on the course calendar on the school website.

Students must return completed course selection sheet by February 23rd with a parent/guardian's signature. Please do not hesitate to contact the Guidance Office if there are any questions or technical difficulties.

Co-op Career Fair

One of the biggest highlights in our Co-op calendar is the Career Fair hosted by our co-op students. Each student creates an interactive display to showcase the knowledge and skills they learned in the co-op course and in their work placement. The Career Fair format is based on professional information models used by industry so the expectations for quality work are very high. The results this semester were very impressive and we know that employers and parents can all be proud of the many talents on display. The Co-op experience demands a lot of the students. They must meet academic goals, develop workplace knowledge and demonstrate the personal skills and maturity required by employers. At Bayside, our pre-placement training provides an excellent foundation

and we build on that throughout the semester. Each student is also carefully matched with a placement committed to supporting their career knowledge and success. As a culminating activity, the Career Fair provides additional opportunities to be organized, confident and to take on a leadership role by actively engaging peers in the experience. Co-op students really step up to this challenge. The positive feedback from teachers and by visiting students from all grades speaks to the success of both the event and individual accomplishment. We are proud of our Bayside Co-op students and very thankful for the wonderful placement partners who help make it happen.



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Quality
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Eli
Don Mac
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Machining



Lauren
Mike the Molar



Martina
Trenton
Clothing Repair



Mr. Morrow is Retiring!

Please join us in wishing Mr. Morrow all the best as he retires at the end of the semester. Mr. Morrow has been a key member of the Bayside Co-op team for many years. He is legendary for his dedication to our students and for developing great employer partnerships that support the very best learning opportunities. He has opened the door to many possibilities and bright futures. From all of us, staff and students alike, we say, "Thanks for everything. Bon voyage!"



Exploring Technology

Mr. Adams' Exploring Technology class competed against each other in building bridges and CO₂ dragsters. Congratulations to Paul Destun for building the most efficient bridge and to Tyson Coakley for creating the fastest CO₂ Car.

Congratulations, Paul and Tyson!



Bayside Swimming

Bayside Swimming is off to another excellent start! We have over forty swimmers this year practising three mornings a week at the Quinte Wellness Centre. We had an amazing overnight trip to Hamilton where we competed in the McMaster Invitational for the first time and came away with many top three finishes! All of our rookie swimmers attended a fantastic learning meet in Port Hope just before the holidays and they all came away with impressive times! For those students interested in joining next year, swimming is an excellent fitness complement to many sports, and many of our athletes use the opportunity to keep in shape or to get in shape for other school sports! We are hoping to defend our Bay of Quinte and COSSA titles in the next coming weeks and then those who qualify for OFSAA will be heading to Windsor at the end of February! You can follow us @SwimBSS on Twitter to follow our season!



Girls Hockey

The She-Devils hockey squad is rolling on this winter season, returning to the ice with a great mix of veteran players and young guns. The girls will start semester 2 with a 3-2 record and 3 games remaining in their regular season. They have already qualified for the Bay of Quinte and COSSA championships being held in late February and early March. From COSSA the girls will look to book a berth in the OFSAA championships in either Timmins (A/AA) or Cambridge (AAA) after coming within one win last year! Good luck girls!



She-Devils Rugby

The She-Devils rugby squads stormed the pitches in the Quinte area this fall looking to stay on top of the local rugby community. The Sr She-Devils were dominant from start to finish, running the table to an undefeated record and their third straight Bay of Quinte championship and second COSSA title in the last three years. All in all, a pretty good start to their OFSAA title defence! The girls can't wait to get back together in the spring to get ready for Stratford in the first week of June. Not to be outdone, the Junior She-Devils had a hugely successful season bring-

ing home a silver medal at both Bay of Quinte and COSSA! This band of ladies is also looking forward to the challenge of rugby in the spring and preparing for the Barbarian Cup provincial championship being held right in our own backyard at MA Sills park during the second weekend of June! The coaches can't wait to get out and start training again as soon as the spring weather co-operates. Have a good winter and stay fit so we can hit the ground running in March!



MAKE IT HAPPEN



Reindeer Hunt

Stealth! Tactics! Victory!

Congratulations to Jason Smith who is the winner of Bayside's annual Reindeer Hunt! The Reindeer Hunt has been a tradition at Bayside for twelve years now! It is run by Student Council and it is the most anticipated contest of the year. All 800 staff and students eagerly hide, waiting to pin their target with a clothespin while not being caught by their opponent. We share a lot of laughs, memories

and good sportsmanship. Ties are broken at lunch with epic pin tosses, involving cheers and tears as the winner moves on to the next round. This year, snow days delayed the results but Jason kept his hunting skills sharp and was able to claim victory on the second day of the extended hunt. Well done Jason!

Until next year little deer.....



Our Pride is Bayside

Coming Soon!

Soon you'll be able to pay for school events, food days or activities online instead of using cash or a cheque.

MORE INFORMATION COMING IN MARCH



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