



Dear Bayside Community,

We hope that everyone has enjoyed a restful March Break and you are ready to welcome in Springtime! There are many things going on at Bayside and we are excited to share them with you.

Early Progress Reports

- Early Progress Reports were sent home just prior to March Break for all students in Grades 9-12. These reports are an early indicator of how your student is doing at school. Early Progress Reports do not include percentage grades, but rather, are an opportunity for teachers to share information on your child's learning skills and work habits, attendance, progress and assignment completion to date. We hope you will review this progress report with your child and be involved in their learning journey at BSS.

Parent/Guardian - Teacher Interview Night Grades 9-12

- Parent/Guardian - Teacher Interviews are scheduled for **Wednesday, March 22 from 3:30 p.m. -- 6:00 p.m.** Parent/Guardian - Teacher Interviews are an excellent opportunity for parents/guardians to meet your student's classroom teachers, to see the learning spaces, and learn more about how your student is progressing in school. To avoid wait times, we encourage you to pre-schedule your appointment directly with the teacher, using the forms that were sent home. School Council will be set up in the lobby from **3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.** Please feel free to stop by to see how you can get involved with your school community. School Council can be reached via email at sc.bss@hpedsb.on.ca

Coming Soon - New BSS Website

- We are excited to announce that the [Bayside Secondary School Website](#) will soon have a new look. Over the past several weeks we have been developing content for our new website. It will have a very similar look and feel to the [HPE School Board website](#) and will be updated regularly with important and relevant information, more easily available at your fingertips!. Stay tuned.

Grade 8 Graduation Celebration Photos

- Grade 8 Graduation Celebration Photos will be offered to all Grade 8 Students on Thursday, March 30th. Students should wear a white shirt to school and may choose to wear a tie if they wish. Students will be provided with a gown and sash to wear over their white shirts. There is no need to sign up in advance as students will be called out of class for their photo.

Bayside Spirit Wear

- Our Spirit Wear is LIVE! Bayside Secondary School is happy to announce that we have released new Spirit Wear for the first time in three years. We're excited to offer new items, such as customized toques with leather patches, ball caps, stickers, zip-up hoodies and more. In addition to new items, we've got some new logos at your disposal. Take your pick... from Varsity Lettering, all the way to our classic B. Check out @bss_stc on Instagram for a Spirit Wear contest that will be happening all week! By participating in our Social Media contest, you could win a toque and hoodie! *Winners will be announced early next week.* Visit Quinte Custom Promotions, select School Spirit Wear and click on the Bayside B to see all of our available items: [QC Promo School Spirit Wear](#) Spirit Wear can be delivered to the school or available for pick-up at Quinte Custom Promotions in Trenton. We can't wait to see everyone in their new Bayside Spirit Wear! Happy shopping!

Trenton Care and Share Food Drive

- Trenton Care and Share Food Drive has been organized by BSS Student Council and will run from **March 20 - March 31**. Homeroom classrooms will challenge each other to see who can reach their collection goal. Winning classrooms will be determined by the amount of non-perishable food items and donations they gather. Each winning class will receive donuts and hot chocolate, courtesy of Student Council. Please consider helping your student(s) by donating to this worthy cause.

Transportation Review and Town Hall

- On **Tuesday, March 28th, 2023 from 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.**, a Town Hall meeting for the Student Transportation Review will be held at BSS in the Cafeteria. For planning purposes, participants are being asked to register in advance, through the [Transportation--Night Registration Form](#). You can also find more information about the Town Hall meeting here: [Town Hall Information](#).

Coming Soon: Spring Season Sports and Spring Athletic Fee

- As we move into Spring, we can look forward to many Spring sports beginning for secondary students, including Boys' Rugby, Track and Field, Baseball, Badminton, Ultimate Frisbee, Softball. Please note that any students who are involved in spring sports will also be required to pay the \$25 Athletic Fee. It is payable on School Cash Online, or in person at the Front Office.
- Our Intermediate Students can look forward to Relay, Track and Field and 3 Pitch Softball.

Skilled Trades Information Night

- If you want to learn more about the *Skilled Trades*, then this evening is for you! On **Thursday, March 30th from 6 p.m. -- 8 p.m.**, students and their families can come and hear from local businesses, and former and current students about what a career in the skilled trades has to offer. It is never too early to start planning for your future. For more information and to register, view: [Skilled Trades Info Night](#).

OSSLT Update

- The spring OSSLT writing block has opened. All Grade 10 students taking English this semester will write the OSSLT between **Tuesday, April 12 and Wednesday, April 25**. Grade 10 students who were unsuccessful in Semester 1 will have an opportunity to write again. The successful completion of the OSSLT remains a graduation requirement.
- Extra OSSLT preparation activities continue to be posted to the **Literacy Test Prep Google Classroom**. Your student may sign in to their Apps account and follow this link to join: [Join the Literacy Prep Google Classroom](#). If required, enter the class code: **grja7p2**
- If your Grade 10 student is looking for extra activities to support their preparation for the test, they are also encouraged to visit www.eqao.com to write the practice test, in preparation.

Rebranding Bayside

- We have begun the process of reimagining our School Logo/Mascot. A small committee of staff, students and School Council representatives are working with administration as we thoughtfully reflect on Bayside's identity. We will soon be looking to our wider Bayside Community for additional input, as we consider our identity: one that is both globally and culturally appropriate for our school, and connects us to our greater community. Our goal is to generate positive feelings of belonging and pride for all Bayside students. This is an exciting time for Bayside!

June Final Culminating Activity Schedule

- Secondary Final Culminating Activities are scheduled to take place between **Wednesday, June 21 to Tuesday, June 27**. All classes in grades 9 - 12 will have a Final Culminating Activity taking place during the scheduled FCA days. Please note that all students are required to complete a Final Culminating Activity. Students must be present, unless approved for exceptional circumstances by the Principal/Vice Principal or a medical note is presented to us.

Upcoming Dates

- March 27 - IEP's received by parents
- March 28 - BSS/THS Student Transportation Review--Town Hall
- March 30 - Grade 8 Grad Photos
- March 30 - Skills Trade Info Night in the Cafeteria: 6-8p.m.
- April 1 - BSS hosts the Belleville Senators vs Toronto Marlies
- April 14 - Spring Fling Dance for Grades 9-12 from 7:00 p.m. - 10 p.m.
- Apr 26 - Secondary Sem 2 Mid-Term Reports sent home
- Apr 27- School Council Meeting 5:30-6:30
- May 5 - Spring Fling Dance Grades 7-9 from 6:30p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
- May 25- School Council Meeting 5:30-6:30
- Jun 16 - Prom
- Jun 20-22 - Gr 8 Montreal Trip

- Jun 21 - 27 - Secondary Final Culminating Activities
- Jun 27 - Gr 8 Graduation 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
- Jun 29 - Grade 12 Graduation