



LORD BYNG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Lord Byng Community The Week Ahead – September 25-29, 2017

<u>Monday:</u>	Professional Development Day (No School for Students) Staff attending a workshop series at Anderson Elementary
<u>Tuesday:</u>	COBS Bread available (free!) for any families 3-3:30pm
<u>Wednesday:</u>	
<u>Thursday:</u>	Terry Fox Run 2:00pm (Volunteers please arrive 1:30pm!)
<u>Friday:</u>	Orange Shirt Day (Every Child Matters)

Important Information:

1) Byng Bear Wear can be ordered from now **until Friday, September 29th**. We will have sample sizes available in the office over the next two weeks.

2) A member of our community has offered to pick up extra baking products from COBS bread every second Tuesday. These loaves of bread and other bakery items are available for pickup for Byng families this Tuesday, September 26th in the school office from 3-3:30pm. Bring your own bag!

3) We are still looking for parent volunteers to help act as course marshals for our Terry Fox Run on Thursday, September 28th. Volunteers would be asked to arrive at school at 1:30 to get a safety vest, then head out to an assigned location on the route. There is a map and sign up sheet on the PAC board in the main foyer. If you'd like to help but can't come in to sign up, feel free to email Mrs. Thompson. Thank you!



4) Orange Shirt Day is September 30th but we will be observing this day on Friday, September 29th at Byng. This day is meant to bring awareness to the reconciliation process and honour the survivors of residential schools in Canada. Children at Byng will be engaged in this topic through age appropriate stories and resources recommended by our Aboriginal Education Teacher Consultant. For more information on Orange Shirt Day, check out this link <http://www.orangeshirtday.org/>.



Upcoming Dates:

Pro-D Day (No School for Students) – September 25

Terry Fox Run – September 28 2:00pm

Orange Shirt Day (Every Child Matters) – September 29

First Pizza Lunch (Toonie Tuesday Pizza) – October 3

Parent Teacher Conferences (1:50pm Dismissal) – October 3 & 4

Scholastic Book Fair – October 3, 4, 5

Community News:

Did you know that the Apple Store at Richmond Centre hosts “Kids Hour” workshops that are free for kids? We are very fortunate to have a parent in our community who is an employee for Apple and passed on this information for our Byng Community! Please visit <https://www.apple.com/ca/today/> to register and see sessions for kids next week below. 😊



Kids Hour: Sphero Maze Challenge (English)

Tuesday, September 26

5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Kids Hour is designed to spark imagination and creativity through fun, hands-on projects. Kids will explore coding with Sphero robots by programming simple movements, loops, and more. Then they'll design a maze and navigate their robot through the obstacles. Kids can bring their own iPad and Sphero Sprk+ robot, or we'll provide them. Recommended for ages 6 to 12.

Kids Hour: Coding the Droids from Star Wars (English)

Saturday, September 30

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Join us for Kids Hour starring the galaxy's favourite droids. Using the same code developers use every day, kids will bring Star Wars droids to life by programming simple movements, loops, and more. Then they'll design a maze and navigate their droids through the obstacles. Kids can bring their own iPad and Sphero robot, or we'll provide them. Recommended for ages 6 to 12.

Kids Hour: Creating Music with GarageBand (English)

Saturday, September 30

1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

This Kids Hour celebrates music by teaching kids how to create exciting tunes and beats using GarageBand on iPad. First we'll cover rhythm basics, and kids will get hands-on with creating their own drum beats. Then we'll show them how to use Live Loops to make their very own rock, hip hop, or EDM track. Kids can bring their iPad or we'll provide one. Recommended for ages 6 to 12.

How To: Get Started with Coding (English)

Saturday, September 30

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Swift is a powerful programming language created by Apple that's used to build many popular apps. And, Swift Playgrounds is an app for iPad that makes coding interactive and fun for beginner coders ages 12+. Explore coding concepts and get hands on with the same code professional developers use every day. Coding knowledge is not required. Bring your own iPad running iOS 10, or we can provide one.

Link of the Week: (for those interested in some further reading or viewing!)

<http://macnamara.ca/portfolio/the-ten-things-teachers-need-most-from-parents/>

Looking forward to another great week at Byng. Have a wonderful and restful weekend with your families!

😊 Mrs. Thompson bthompson@sd38.bc.ca