



# LORD BYNG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER # 6

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**January 27, 2017**

Dear Parents / Guardians:

### **Basketball Season:**

Our basketball season is underway. The 6/7 girls are being coached by Mrs. Harrington and Miss Wilson and the 6/7 boys are being coached by Mr. Ward. Our teams are very enthusiastic and enjoying the opportunity to practice and to play.

### **School Curriculum Changes – Open House at Cambie Secondary School – Feb. 8, 2017**

Your child's curriculum has changed, now the way we report your child's progress is changing too. Your ideas about what would make student reporting better are valuable and we want to hear them!. Drop by the open house anytime between 5 and 7pm to learn more, you can also take part in a fun one hour brainstorming workshop from 7-8pm.

Cambie Secondary School, 4151 Jacombs Road, Open House is 5-7pm / Workshop 7-8pm

For more information please visit: [engage.gov.bc.ca/yourkidsprogress/](http://engage.gov.bc.ca/yourkidsprogress/)

### **Foundation Skills Assessment**

Our grade 4 and 7 students are completing the Foundation Skills Assessment this month. This is an annual province-wide assessment of British Columbia students' academic skills. It provides a snapshot opportunity to observe how well BC students are learning foundation skills in Reading Comprehension, Writing and Numeracy.

Further information on this assessment can be found on the provincial website.

<https://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/assessment/fsa/>

### **Speed Control: Rock and Roll: Canada vs. The World, Tuesday, Feb. 21st**

Thanks to our PAC we are pleased to welcome this lively group to Byng.

Some of the most innovative music in the world has come from Canadian musicians. Follow Speed Control through the last 50 years of famous Canadian artists and how their music affected others of both their own generation and those to come. From Paul Anka to Barenaked Ladies, audiences will learn how Canada has become a major force in popular music in this smart, humorous and exciting show!

### **READY SET LEARN 2017**

Pre-school children in the community are invited to a free concert with Will Stroet.

All are welcome to attend any of the remaining concerts.

From 9:30 – 11:00 Feb 1 – Errington, Feb 8 – Tomsett, and March 1 – Thompson.

From 1:00 – 2:30, Feb 1 – Steves, Feb 8 – Diefenbaker, and March 1 – Mitchell.

### **OUTDOOR EDUCATION MEETING**

Wednesday, Feb. 8 – 6:15 – 7:00 pm

Information Meeting for all students and their parents

Equipment and Clothing Lists to all students

Parents are asked to use the reminder that is being sent home next week to indicate their attendance.

### **SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR!!!**

Scholastic Book Fair is coming up!!! Tuesday, Feb. 21st - Thursday, Feb. 23rd - In the library.

### **GRADE 7 INFORMATION NIGHTS:**

R.A. McMATH Feb. 2 7:00 pm Program Planning Meeting

STEVESTON-LONDON Feb. 15 7:00

# ONLINE PAYMENTS COMING SOON!

For safety and efficiency reasons, we want to reduce the amount of Cash & Checks coming into our school. School related expenses are will be online soon for you to make payment. More information to come.

Parents please register!



Here's how:

**Step 1:** Go to this website:

<https://richmondsd38.schoolcashonline.com>

**Step 2:** Register by selecting the "Get Started Now" and following the steps

**Step 3:** After you receive the confirmation email, please select the 'click here' option, sign in and add each of your children to your household account. More information will be sent with student numbers.

## YMCA of Greater Vancouver Spring Break Camps

Spring Break is a time for kids to be kids! It's a chance to play, to run, and to be free from the busy school schedule. That's why the YMCA offers day camps, so that every child can reach their full potential. Join us for fun-filled days of arts and crafts, games, sports and an opportunity to make new friends. The nearest YMCA day camp location to Lord Byng Elementary School is located at the Homma YMCA Kids Club.

Check out everything we have to offer online at [gv.ymca.ca/camps](http://gv.ymca.ca/camps)

Register now!

[gv.ymca.ca/camps](http://gv.ymca.ca/camps)

604-939-9622

[daycamp@gv.ymca.ca](mailto:daycamp@gv.ymca.ca)

## Registration Reminder

While our deadline for registering Kindergarten students is not until June, we would appreciate registrations well in advance of this date, so that we can better prepare for staffing. All registrations take place at the School District Central Registration Office, 7811 Granville Avenue from 9am till 2pm

## Staff Changes:

B.C. students will soon be benefitting from the agreement reached between the B.C.T.F. and the Province. At Byng we anticipate an additional .5 teacher will support our students.

## Dates to remember:

- Tues., Jan 31 Pizza Day
- Wed., Feb. 1 - Spirt Day - Twins Day
- Fri., Feb. 2 - McMath next year's Grade 8 - Program Night
- Tues. Feb. 7, 14, 21, 28 March 7 & 28 - Pizza Days
- Wed. Feb. 8 - Outdoor Ed Meeting at 6:00pm in the Multi-Purpose Room  
PAC Meeting 6:30 in the Library
- Mon. Feb. 13 - BC Family Day - School is closed
- Wed., Feb. 22- Early Dismissal - 1:50pm  
for Parent / Teacher Conferences
- Wed., Feb. 22- Anti Bullying Day -Assembly - 1pm
- Tues., Feb. 21-23 Scholastic Book Fair!
- Fri., Feb. 24 - District Professional Development Day - School is closed.
- Wed. Mar. 8 - PAC Meeting at 6:30pm
- Fri., Mar. 10 - Last Day of school before Spring Break- Report Cards home by this day.
- Spring Break Mon. ., March 13 to Sunday, March 26
- Mon., Mar. 27 - Students return to school

**PINK SHIRT DAY**

