



LORD BYNG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents / Guardians:

Welcome to Kindergarten:

We look forward to welcoming our new kindergarten students to the library on Wednesday, May 24 from 1:00 – 2:00 with their parents. If you are aware of any kindergarten age children living in our neighborhood who have not registered for school, please encourage them to contact the office so we can assist them.

Lord Byng Appreciation Coffee & Tea:

Lord Byng School invites parents and teachers to our Appreciation Coffee and Tea on Friday May 26th from 8am to 8:45am. (please see invitation on the back)

Jeans Day Fundraiser for B.C. Children's Hospital

The Byng community by far exceeded expectations this year with our Jeans Day button fundraiser. Thanks to Miss Wilson who organized this, we were able to raise over \$500 to support this wonderful event. Way to go, Byng!



Minoru Zone 3 Track Meet

Students from Lord Byng participated in the Zone 3 Track Meet at Minoru Park on Tuesday, May 9th. We are very proud of all of our student-athletes who demonstrated excellent skill, strength, speed, sportsmanship and patience!

Please join us for the Track & Field Assembly on **Tuesday, May 16th at 9am**

Celebrate May is Better Speech and Hearing Month

Here are some tips to improve communication:

- Reduce background noises that may be distracting (e.g., turn off the radio or TV, shut the door or move to a quieter place)
- Be an active listener. Communication involves speaking and listening, but also our body language. Pay attention to eye gaze and gestures.
- Stick to one conversation topic at a time. Avoid quick shifts in conversation topics. Engage in topics that are of interest to your child.
- Read interactively. Use books that encourage children's participation. Share favorite books and model reading yourself (e.g., let your child see you reading newspapers, books and other materials).
- Speak slowly and clearly. Allow extra time for responding.
- Talk often with your child, using rich and varied vocabulary. Ask your child questions, but also comment on what he/she said.



Grade 7 Year End Celebrations

The grade seven parents have organized an active end of year celebration for our grade seven students that includes a pizza party and a trip to the Apex Adventure Park.

All this is happening on **Friday evening, June 23rd.**

Our Grade 7 Farewell Assembly will be **Thursday, June 29th at 1:00 pm** in the gym. Parents are invited to attend this assembly to say goodbye to our students.

Outdoor Education – Grades 6 and 7

Grade 6 and 7 students will attend Camp Sasamat **Wed., May 17 to Fri. May 19th**

Sports Day

We will be having Sports Day on **Friday, June 9th**. This year's theme is **Canada 150 Years**. Parents are welcome to join us and cheer on the students. Food will be available, pre-order forms will be sent out at a later date. Events will start with a **Preschool race** at approximately **9:25 AM**. Students will be outside for the majority of the day and must be protected from the sun with sunscreen, a hat, and a water bottle. Please encourage your child to dress in their team colour. Parents are reminded that **dismissal is at 1:45** on this day.

Summer Courses

Richmond summer camps and summer school registrations are ongoing. Please see brochures in the Byng front foyer, visit www.RichmondCE.ca or phone 604-668-6123 for information.

Read A Thon:

The Lord Byng Read A Thon was a huge success, thank you to all of our students that participated in this great fundraiser for our school.

Summertime Care:

Summer is a time for kids to play, run, get outside and have fun with friends. For more than 100 years, the YMCA has provided camp adventures that help kids learn about themselves, grow in self-confidence and gain new skills in a safe and caring environment. From overnight camps with activities like archery, climbing, sailing and canoeing, to day camps full of out trips, arts & crafts, sports and games—we have something for everyone. We hope you'll join us!

The nearest YMCA day camp location to Lord Byng Elementary is the Homma YMCA Kids Club.

To learn more or register, visit gv.ymca.ca. gv.ymca.ca/camps.



Dates to Remember:

Tues., May 16	Track Assembly 9am / PAC Pizza Day
Wed.,Thurs.,Fri.: May 17/18/19	Outdoor Education at Camp Sasamat
Mon., May 22	Victoria Day - SCHOOL IS CLOSED
Tues., May 23	EARLY DISMISSAL AT 2PM FOR RTA - AGM Meeting PAC Pizza Day
Wed., May 24	Welcome to Kindergarten at 1-2pm in the Library PAC Workshop "Supporting the Anxious Child" 6:30-8pm
Thur., May 25	Scholastic Book Sale in the gym 8am - 5pm
Fri., May 26	Community Appreciation Coffee 8:00-8:45am Dream Rider Performance at 9am
Tues., May 30	PAC Pizza Day
Thurs. June 1	School Panoramic Photo at 1pm
Fri., June 2	Fresh Slice Pizza Day
Tues., June 6	PAC Pizza Day
Fri., June 9	Sports Day - Canada 150 Years!
Thurs., June 29	Grade 7 Farewell Assembly at 1pm



Our Appreciation Coffee & Tea is a celebration of the parent and staff community. We recognize the important role both parents and staff have in the education of the children attending Lord Byng. Please join us as we honor the contributions of the people who support the students and applaud the efforts made by all.

This event reflects our shared vision of the partnership between home and school around student learning. We hope you can join us.



You are cordially invited to
**The Lord Byng
Appreciation Coffee & Tea**

Friday, May 26, 2017

8:00 – 8:45 in the Library

(Child minding available in the Computer Room)