WEEK AT A GLANCE



LORD BYNG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



February 28-March 4

Monday, Feb 28

Book Fair starts today Feb 28-Mar 3 Tuesday, Mar 1

Wednesday, Mar 2

Thursday, Mar 3

Early Dismissal
@ 1:45pm
Parent/Teacher
Conferences

Friday, Mar 4

Daily Health Check

SHOULD I GO TO SCHOOL TODAY?

Just a reminder to please complete a daily health check before sending your kids to school.

The website and app will contain the most up-to-date BC health guideline information.

Here is a quick link to the **K-12 Health Check** or use the **Daily Health Check at the end of the WAAG.**



Upcoming Events

Mar 13 - Daylight Savings

Mar 12-27 - SPRING BREAK

Mar 28 - Back to school

Reminders

Please report any absences, lates, early dismissals, etc. to our

Early Warning Line at (604) 668-6587

Let us know your child's name, division, WHY they are away and for how long

If your child(ren) will be arriving late, please drop them off at the office in order for us to adjust attendance accordingly.

> Thank You



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Click **HERE** to register













Byng Library Book Fair Feb 28-Mar 3



Hello, and I hope you are all doing well! I'm thrilled to say that our first bookfair of the year was so successful, that I just had to book another one!

From February 28th-March 3rd, we'll be having our second Scholastic Bookfair of the year. The purpose of holding book fairs is two-fold. Firstly, it gets books in children's hands! Secondly, for every \$10 spent at the bookfair, Lord Byng Elementary Library will receive \$6.00 in product rewards. This is a huge win-win fundraiser!

As with the last bookfair, there are two options for purchasing: in-person and online. Those who are not able to shop in-person will have the opportunity to shop from the comfort of your own home, via the Virtual Bookfair. All of these orders will be shipped directly to Lord Byng, and all of the sales through the Virtual Fair will be included in the total sales, allowing for our school library to add that many more books to our collection.

In-Person:

- · February 28th-March 3rd
- · The Book Fair will only be available in-person for students only, during school hours
- · There will be no before-school, lunch or after-school browsing/purchasing. The students will only browse during their class block, to ensure social distancing
- · If they choose, students will be able to purchase during their class block, and immediately take the books home
- · All students will have two library blocks this week. The first block will be to peruse the books. Here, they will be offered a wish list sheet to fill out and bring home to show their family. Students will then be able to purchase in person at their second library block, or go online to order it with their family.

Online Virtual Bookfair:

- · February 28th-March 3rd · Follow the link: https://virtualbookfairs.scholastic.ca/pages/5173304
- · Each purchase ordered online will be delivered to Lord Byng Elementary directly and will be distributed to your child by Mrs. Markusoff. No shipping fees!

**PLEASE NOTE: If you are purchasing online, please ensure you enter the

STUDENT's name and division when you see the following prompt:

Entering the student's name and division will allow for a much smoother distribution process when the books get delivered to the school! Thank you!

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me!

Happy Reading!
Mrs. Leanne Markusoff
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Do you know Viola Davis Desmond?

Viola Irene Desmond (née Davis), businesswoman, civil rights activist (born 6 July 1914 in Halifax, NS; died 7 February 1965 in New York, NY). Viola Desmond built a career and business as a beautician and was a mentor to young Black women in Nova Scotia through her Desmond School of Beauty Culture. In 1946, Viola Desmond challenged racial discrimination when she refused to leave the segregated Whites-only section of the Roseland Theatre in New Glasgow, Nova Scotia. Viola Desmond was arrested, jailed overnight and convicted without legal representation for an obscure tax offence as a result. Despite the efforts of the Nova Scotian Black community to assist her appeal, Viola Desmond was unable to remove the charges against her and went unpardoned in her lifetime. Desmond's courageous refusal to accept an act of racial discrimination provided inspiration to later generations of Black persons in Nova Scotia and in the rest of Canada. In 2010, Lieutenant-Governor Mayann Francis issued Desmond a free pardon. In December 2016, the Bank of Canada announced that Viola Desmond would be the first Canadian woman to be featured by herself on the face of a banknote — the \$10 note released on 19 November 2018. Viola Desmond was named a National Historic Person by the Canadian government in 2018.





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The odds of being born on February 29th are about 1 in 1,461. Those born on a leap day can be called a "leaper" or "leapling."



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Have you checked out the Byng Website?

- get the latest news
- check out the latest WAAG
- calendar events
- important information
- and much more......







Contact Information:

Please ensure the school has your up-to-date email, residential address and contact information. This is very important if we do need to get in touch with you, that we have the correct information. Any updates or changes, please email

Mrs. Estrada at byng@sd38.bc.ca

Daily Health Check & What to Do When Sick

Daily Health Check

Everyone going into a school or site must complete a daily health check, including staff, students, and visitors. A daily health check means checking yourself or your child for new symptoms of illness, including symptoms of COVID-19.

Symptoms of illness (including COVID-19) include:

- Fever or chills
- Difficulty breathing
- Runny nose
- Headache Body aches
- Cough
- Sore throat Sneezing
- Loss of sense of smell or
- Loss of appetite
- Extreme fatigue or tiredness
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

If you are sick or feel unwell, stay at home. This is important to stop the spread of illness, including COVID-19, in schools and worksites.

You can attend school/work if:

- Your symptoms are consistent with a previously diagnosed health condition (e.g., seasonal
- You have existing symptoms that have improved to where you feel well enough to return to regular activities, AND
- You are not required to self-isolate, or your self-isolation period is over (based on a positive COVID-19 test result, if taken).

What to Do When Sick

If you have mild symptoms of COVID-19, you usually don't need a test. Mild symptoms are symptoms that can be managed at home. Most people don't need testing for COVID-19.

Stay home and away from others (as much as possible) until you feel well enough to return to your regular activities and you no longer have a fever. You should also avoid non-essential visits to higher risk settings such as long term care facilities and gatherings, for another 5 days after ending isolation.

If you have a Rapid Antigen Test at home, use it when you have symptoms. How long you should stay home depends on your test result. Find out more about Rapid Antigen Test results.

If you do not have symptoms of COVID-19, you do not need a test.

If you are unsure about your symptoms, you can use the Self-Assessment Tool, contact your health care provider or call 8-1-1.

Testing may be recommended for some people who may be more likely to get severe disease. See BCCDC for information on who testing is recommended for.

What to Do if Someone in Your Household is Sick

You can continue to attend school if someone in your household is sick and/or self-isolating as long as you do not have any symptoms of illness and feel well. This includes if they have tested positive for COVID-19.

Try to stay apart from the person in your household who is sick as much as possible.

Ensure you closely monitor yourself (or your child) for symptoms of illness and stay home if you develop symptoms of illness or feel unwell.

If You Test Positive for COVID-19

Your age and vaccination status determine how long you should self-isolate for if you test positive for COVID-19.

Age	Vaccination Status	Guidance
Under 18 years of age	Unvaccinated, partially vaccinated or fully vaccinated	Self-isolate at home for 5 days AND until your symptoms
18 years of age or older	Fully vaccinated	improve and you no longer have a fever. Avoid non-essential visits to higher risk settings like long- term care facilities and gatherings for another 5 days after ending isolation.
	NOT fully vaccinated	Self-isolate at home for 10 days AND until your symptoms improve and you no longer have a fever.

Close contacts, who are usually others in your household, do not need to self-isolate (regardless of vaccination status), but should closely self-monitor for symptoms. BCCDC has more information for close contacts.

If you find it hard to breathe, have chest pain, can't drink anything, feel very sick, and/or feel confused, contact your health care provider right away or go to your local emergency department or call 9-1-1.

This information is adapted from the BC Centre for Disease Control. For more information, visit http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19

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Summary: What to Do When Sick

If you have symptoms of illness, stay home.

Most people don't need testing for COVID-19. Use BCCDC Self-Assessment Tool, connect with 8-1-1 or your health care provider to find out if a COVID-19 test is recommended.

Symptoms of COVID-19 include: Headache

Fever or chills Loss of appetite Cough

Loss of sense of

Difficulty breathing

smell or taste

- Runny nose Sneezing
- Diarrhea
- · Sore throat
- · Nausea or Vomiting · Extreme fatigue or Tiredness

Body aches

department or call 911 if you: Find it hard to breathe

Have chest pain

Go to an emergency

- · Can't drink anything Feel very sick
- Feeling confused

If you TEST POSITIVE: SELF ISOLATE

If you have MILD SYMPTOMS

(or have tested negative) STAY HOME.

Mild symptoms can be managed at home.

For most people, testing is not recommended.

1. Complete an online form to report your test result

2. Manage your own symptoms

3. Let your household contacts know

Stay home until you feel well enough to return to your regular activities.

Return to

School/Work

If you are fully vaccinated OR less than 18 years of age

You can end isolation and return to school/work when all conditions are met:

- At least 5 days have passed since your symptoms started, or from test date if you did not have symptoms.
- Fever has resolved without the use of feverreducing medication, such as acetaminophen or ibuprofen.
- You should avoid non-essential visits to higher risk settings such as long-term care facilities and

gatherings for another 5 days

after ending isolation.

Symptoms have improved.

If you are 18 years of age or older AND not fully vaccinated

You can end isolation and return to school/work when all conditions are met:

- At least 10 days have passed since your symptoms started, or from test date if you did not have symptoms.
- Fever has resolved without the use of fever-reducing medication, such as acet-
- aminophen or ibuprofen. Symptoms have improved.

If you still have symptoms

Continue to isolate longer if you still have a fever or are not feeling better. If you are unsure or concerned connect with your health care provider or call 8-1-1.

What to do if someone is sick in your household:

You can continue to attend school if someone in your household is sick and/or self-isolating as long as you do not have any symptoms of illness and feel well. This includes if they have tested positive for COVID-19. Ensure you closely monitor yourself (or your child) for symptoms of illness and stay home if you feel unwell. The best way to protect yourself and your family from COVID-19 is toget vaccinated. Vaccines are available for anyone ages 5 and up. Register now at: Getvaccinated.gov.bc.ca

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