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Message from the Principal

Dear Lord Byng Parents, Students and Community Members,

Friday September 30th is National Day for Truth and Reconciliation and Orange Shirt Day in Canada.

As a country and as a learning community we would like to extend our support and deep sympathy for the victims of the Residential School System throughout Canada and for survivors and for their descendants.

On Thursday September 29th, the school recognized the significance and importance of this day during an important school wide assembly presented by our school Vice Principal Ms. Darlene Hughes and our Indigenous Education Worker Mr. Chad Carpenter. This important day of recognition is an opportunity for us all to pause and to reflect on how we as citizens of our country can begin this important journey of reconciliation.

Thank you everyone for working to turn Reconciliation into action.

Mr. Wilmann

School News

This week we had the opportunity to meet “in-person” as a professional learning community once again after such a long period of being apart.

What a great way to begin the school year with such a rich and engaging day of learning on Friday our first professional day of the school year!

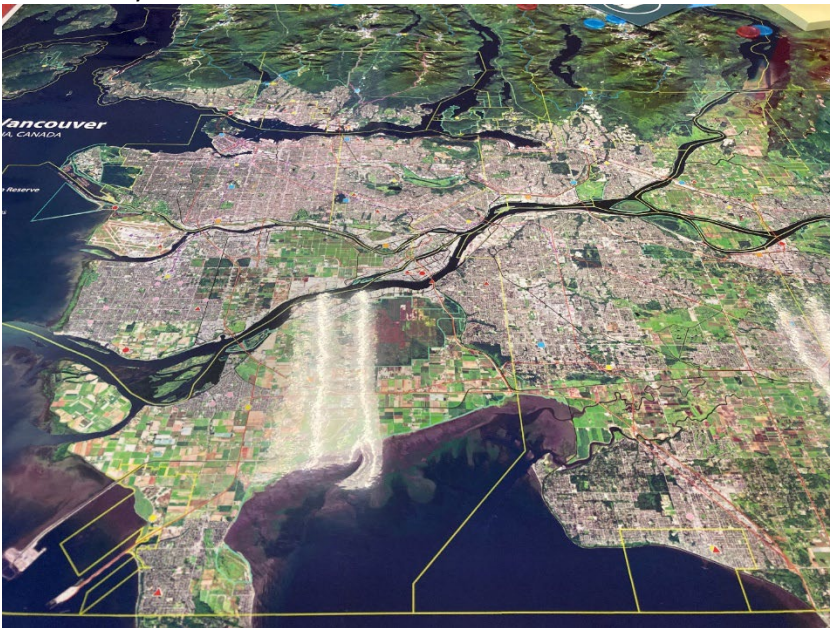


Figure 1 The Vancouver Regional District was one of the focuses of Friday's Place Based Learning opportunity for Byng staff

Other key highlights from the week included:

1. ELL Presentation and SIOP Support for second language learners
2. Grade 10 CLE Assembly organized by Ms. Moldowan and Ms. Kim Chong Ping
3. PAC Meeting
4. Camp Jubilee Peer Counselling Training Day

Although a short week for students with the Monday commemorating the passing of Canada's Head of State, the week was filled with staff working together to support each other and their professional growth with the presentation by the new ELL Department Head Ms. Alina Cozma during the staff meeting on Tuesday as well as the collaborative planning opportunity that followed.

Amongst the highlights of the ELL update by Ms. Cozma was an overview of the ELL supports that are currently in place for


ELL students at Byng as well as a review of the recently introduced SIOP Program:

SIOP SUPPORT STRUCTURE AT BYNG

- 2 blocks of SIOP this year: Michaela and Alina are running one each

How does it look like?

- Linear support during FIT for students with no ELL support class; these students are on their way out of the ELL program, usually at Level 4-5
- 10-15 students per teacher
- We will connect with content area teachers to inform who's receiving SIOP support, and recalibrate learning goals
- Alina is happy to receive referrals re ELL students sitting in her ELL classes in S1 and S2, to support in content areas, especially Social Studies, as SS is servicing students with low proficiency levels.



SIOP is the acronym for The Sheltered Instruction Observation Protocol (SIOP) Model which is a research-based and validated instructional model that has proven effective in addressing the academic needs of English learners throughout the United States.

The SIOP Model consists of eight interrelated components:

- Lesson Preparation
- Building Background
- Comprehensible Input
- Strategies
- Interaction
- Practice/Application
- Lesson Delivery
- Review & Assessment

Using instructional strategies connected to each of these components, teachers are able to design and deliver lessons that address the academic and linguistic needs of English learners.

<https://www.cal.org/siop/about/>

SIOP is a program that was introduced at Byng two years ago and is designed to support our English Second Language Learners at the school and supports our Pillars of Learning as a school with supporting Student Engagement as well as our Inclusion and Diversity support for all our newcomers and second language learners at the school. The Program was introduced to the VSB by the District Principal of ELL Mr. Bruce Garnett who was provided support and funding to create the program at Byng that is a pilot model for the entire school district.

This year the school is fortunate to have two SIOP trained teachers at the school Ms. Michaela Rezler and new to Byng Ms. Alina Cozma.

Other highlights from the presentation included an overview of the ELL support that is provided at the school:

ELL PROGRAMMING AT BYNG

ELL's in levels 1-3 are functioning in a semi-sheltered instructional setting: ELL Reading and Writing, and ELL Science courses (mostly for Level 1's). For the rest of their timetable, they are sitting in all the mainstream courses appropriate for their grade level, except for English, and science (again, if they are ELL 1's or low 2's).

ELL's in Level 4 and 5 are fully integrated into mainstream, receiving one block of ELL support called ELC (English Language Centre); or receiving indirect support through SIOP

Level 5

Level 4

Level 3

Level 2

Level 1

Thanks Ms. Cozma and Ms. Rezler as well as all the members of the ELL Department and all of our teaching staff that meet and exceed the Ministry of Education requirements to provide service "above and beyond" for all our English Language Learners at the school.

The first CLE 10 Assembly of the year was held this week and provided an overview and introduction to this off timetable program as well as the two teachers Ms. Michelle Moldowan and Ms. Kim Chong Ping.

• CLE 10 a ministry mandated 4 Credit course required for graduation.

• At Lord Byng, this course is delivered Off-Timetable. This is not a burn in seat class.

• You will develop skills writing a resume and cover letter, job interview skills, post-secondary education plans, financial literacy, work-place safety, work-life balance, networking and mentoring

What is CLE 10?

This year long linear program is a MOE graduation requirement and provides our students with important lifelong learning skills as well as preparing them for the senior courses in this program including the CLC Capstone Program at our school.

For more information on this important program at the school here is the overview from the MOE:

<https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/curriculum/career-education/all/career-life-connections>

The first PAC Meeting of the year was held at the school chaired by Ms. Kristin McAllister and Ms. Tammy Baltz. Over a hundred parents attended the meeting and the PAC were able to provide an overview of their role and important events for the year. There was also a very lively question and answer session with the principal where parents raised a number of important topics including:

- Student Scheduling and Course selection
- Student safety and well being
- Field trips and clubs
- Athletics
- Resources for parents to support newcomers to Canada as well as new Grade 8s

What do we do?

Host School Events on Zoom

- 2 Curriculum nights
- Capstone Parent Information Session

Support School Initiatives

- Review funding requests
- Work with administration to prioritize funding
- Monitor spending and report results
- Fundraise through a direct appeal

Host Speakers

- Brook Parkin: Communicating with your Teen (April 2022)
- Education Planner BC Information sessions in English and Mandarin

Build & Support Community

- Staff Appreciation Event (June)
- Work with parents to address concerns
- Host Meetings
- Manage Website

Friday was the first time in many years that the Peer Counselling Training Day for our amazing Peer Counselling Team was able to meet and to do “in-person” training as a group.

Special thanks to Ms. Radic and Ms. Vanderklippe for making this event happen!!!

COVID-19 Message

The Vancouver School District and Lord Byng continue to follow the guidance of the Ministry of Education and Child Care, the BC Centre for Disease Control and Vancouver Coastal Health in putting in place measures to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. The BC Centre for Disease Control updated [guidance](#) for the K-12 sector indicates that, “Transmission within K-12 schools settings accounts for a minority of COVID-19 cases even amongst students and staff.”

Measures that will continue to be in place for the coming school year include reminders to all staff, students and their families to monitor their health daily and to stay home if they are ill. Information about COVID-19 symptoms can be found on the [BCCDC website](#). Students who become ill during the school day will be asked to wear a mask and wait in a supervised area, away from other students, until they can be picked up by a parent or guardian.

Staff will continue to remind students of the importance of regular hand washing/hand sanitizing and of coughing/sneezing into their elbow or a tissue. We will continue to ensure school sinks are well stocked with soap and that hand sanitizer is available. Staff will also continue to remind students to be respectful of others’ personal space while going through daily school activities.

Wearing a mask, other than what is recommended by public health, is an important personal health choice for students and families. Some staff and students will choose to wear a mask throughout the day or for certain activities. Others will choose not to wear a mask. Individual decisions around mask wearing will be supported and respected at Lord Byng.

Clean air and proper ventilation is an important part of the prevention measures in all Vancouver schools. During the past months, District staff have undertaken the refurbishment and rehabilitation of ventilation equipment in all schools and will continue to install new ventilation and heating equipment in portables. Air filters in schools have been upgraded and are replaced three times per year.

More information on COVID-19 prevention measures in Vancouver schools can be found [here](#).

PAC News

Important Information from Grad Committee for Grade 12 Parents: If you are a parent or guardian of a grade 12 student, please sign-up ASAP to our email distribution list. This will ensure you receive the most up to date information from the Grad Committee about parent supported Grad activities and events. **Sign up [here](#).**

Our next PAC meeting will be Wednesday, October 12th via zoom. A link will be sent out closer to the meeting. At the next meeting we will be electing our new executive. We have several vacancies we need to fill, and several key executive positions will be transitioning this year and next and we hope to recruit some new parents from Grade 8-10 to join the executive. Many thanks to all those who have expressed interest we will be in touch. In particular, we need to recruit a Vice-Chair this year who can take over as Chair next year.

Chair’s Duties: Liaise with school administration on behalf of parents, organize and chair PAC meetings and other parent information meetings, act as a signing authority, oversee the annual fundraising campaign, manage funding requests, recruit new executive members, respond to PAC emails, draft weekly updates for the newsletter and support Grad Committee as needed.

Future PAC meetings are posted below and on the PAC website at www.lordbyngpac.com. Based on parent feedback and depending on any COVID restrictions, this year we will be hosting some PAC meetings in person and some online.

2022/23 PAC Meeting Dates:

October 12, 2022

November 16, 2022

January 18, 2023

February 15, 2023

April 19, 2023

May 17, 2023

Grad 2023 Parent Committee Volunteers – Many thanks to everyone who has volunteered to help this year the committee will be having it's first committee meeting in a couple of weeks. If you still want to join the committee, please email us at lordbyngschoolpac@gmail.com.

For any PAC related questions or concerns please email us at lordbyngschoolpac@gmail.com

We look forward to connecting with you!
Lord Byng PAC

Grade 8 Camp Parent Information

Please click [here](#) for the PowerPoint presentation presented at the Sept 27, 2022 meeting.

Grade 12 Grad Photo Session

If you missed taking your grad photos with Artona, please contact Artona to book your appointment:
<https://artona.com/schools/BYNG/programs/graduation>

Terry Fox Run

The Terry Fox Run will be postponed to Tuesday, October 18th.

School Forms – UPDATED

The following school forms are now due in the school office:

- Personal Information and Media Consent
- Request for CASL Consent
- Emergency Student(s) Reunification Authorization
- Parent/Guardian Local Neighbourhood Excursion
- Student Verification Forms (grades 8 -12)

Verification Form Published on MyEd

Student Verification Form for students in grade 9 – 12 was published In MyEd BC .

It is important that we have accurate and up to date information, so please review it carefully.

This is what we currently have on file. If anything is not up to date, please print the form and make the changes clearly, and sign the last page. Your child can bring it to the office.

Medical Care Plan Forms

If your son/daughter has a medical condition: diabetes, seizures, anaphylaxis, asthma, or other medical concerns, please come to the office to pick up a medical care plan form. It's important that we have updated medical information on file.

Library

Students need to ensure they come to the library with their GOCARD to sign out books. We have had issues with using student numbers over the last few years, therefore please use your GOCARD. Thank you and happy reading!!

Immunization Consent Forms

Students who received an immunization form, please return the signed form to the school office ASAP!

Lockers

Locker selection will be done online. Please note Grade 10 students will be required to share their lockers with a partner. Please click [HERE](#) for instructions on how to book online.

Lockers are up and running. Please scroll down to find grade 12 information. If you don't need a locker, please do not take one as we do not have enough. If you signed up for a locker and didn't put a lock on before Sept 16th, we will reassign that locker to another student.

If you did not select a locker online but placed your lock on a locker please remove it or it will be cut off.

University Visits

We are looking forward to hosting these post-secondary schools, and hope that all grade 11s and 12s who are interested attend. For more post-secondary information, please take a look at your respective Counselling Teams. We are trying to give students the most salient information through this channel as well.

Byng University Visits			
Date	University	Time	Location
October 4 th	SFU	Lunch	Auditorium
October 11 th	UVic	Lunch	Auditorium
October 25 th	Emily Carr	9:30am	Gallery
October 26 th	Western University	3pm	Library
November 9 th	Dalhousie	Lunch	Library
November 14 th	Waterloo	3pm	Library
November 22 nd	University of Alberta	3pm	Auditorium
November 23 rd	Langara College	Lunch	Auditorium

Counselling Department Update

PC 12 Training Camp

Our 26 Peer Counsellors along with Ms. Radic and Ms. Vanderklippe have returned from a 4 day PC training camp. We are so proud of our grade 12s PCs as they were exceptional, and we are so excited for them to start working with our grade 8s. PCs will be coming to our grade 8 camp as well as they will be attending grade 8 classes throughout the school year and will work with our grade 8s.



Grade 12 assembly: Grade 12 & Beyond

We hope that all of our grade 12 students enjoyed the grade 12 assembly held on Wednesday. We shared a lot of information to do with all topics related to grade 12: graduation, post-secondary admissions, scholarships, etc. Counsellors are organizing a presentation for all parents of senior students (grade 11 and 12) and all the details will be released soon. We are looking forward to connecting with many of you at that presentation.

MADD assembly

Counsellors have hosted MADD "Weed out the Risks" assembly on September 26. We hope that our grade 10s, 11s, and 12s found the information useful and informative.

Counselling Teams

Counsellors have set up Counselling Teams for each grade. Yes, we realize that this is another place where students have to

check but it is the most official and efficient way for us to give our students information about various topics: graduation, post-secondary options, scholarships, and mental health resources, to name a few. Please if you are a new student to Byng let your counsellor know so that we can add you to your respective Counselling Team.

2022/2023 Lord Byng Calendars

Please click [HERE](#) to see a list of important dates for the 2022-2023 school calendar, including school opening day as well as a list of vacation days, professional development days and parent conference dates.

Collaborative Dates

AM Collaboration Dates: Students arrive at 10am: No F.I.T. Sept 20; Nov 8; Feb 9; May 11		PM Collaboration Dates: Students leave at 1:45pm: No F.I.T. Oct 13; Jan 12; Apr 13; Jun 8	
Staff Meeting	7:45-8:35	Period 1	8:40-10:01
Collab	8:35-9:56	Break	10:01-10:11
Period 1	10:00-10:40	Period 2	10:11-11:32
Break	10:40-10:50	Lunch	11:32-12:17
Period 2	10:50-11:32	Period 3	12:17-12:59
Lunch	11:32-12:17	Break	12:59-1:05
Period 3	12:17-1:38	Period 4	1:05-1:45
Break	1:38-1:45	Collab	1:45-3:06
Period 4	1:45-3:06		

2022/2023 School Fees

Payment for [school fees](#) via [SchoolCash Online](#) will be available on Sept 7th.

Information for course fees and other supplemental fees will follow in the coming weeks.

2022/2023 Bell Schedules

Monday, Wednesday, Fridays

Period 1	8:40 – 10:01
Break	10:01 – 10:11
Period 2	10:11 – 11:32
Lunch	11:32 – 12:17
Period 3	12:17 – 1:38
Period 4	1:45 – 3:06

Tuesdays

Period 1	8:40 – 9:36
F.I.T.	9:41 – 10:31
Period 2	10:36 – 11:32
Lunch	11:32 – 12:17
Period 3	12:17 – 1:38
Period 4	1:45 – 3:06

Thursdays

Period 1	8:40 – 10:01
Break	10:01 – 10:11
Period 2	10:11 – 11:32
Lunch	11:32 – 12:17
Period 3	12:17 – 1:13
F.I.T.	1:16 – 2:06
Period 4	2:10 – 3:06

MyEdBC Access





All NEW students at Lord Byng school for school year 2022-2023 are to log in using their student number. All new accounts will have the default password of **Dist\$2023** (case sensitive). After you login you will be asked to create a new password. You will also need to provide an email address. It is highly recommended to use your VSB email that the District provided – student#@learn.vsb.bc.ca (eg: 12345@learnvsb.bc.ca)

Byng Arts

Byng Arts Passport: passport.lordbyng.net

Students are expected to record their participation in school-based and community-based arts events in their online Byng Arts Passport. This is a fun, but mandatory part of their program at Byng Arts. Byng Arts Passports are reviewed every January and May and students are expected to have recorded five or more events for each submission date.

Here are some possible achievements to unlock (including viewing our newest art show in our gallery):

<p>Lord Byng Gallery Show (Sept/Oct) Art</p>  <p>Visit our Art Gallery and celebrate the work of our creative artists. Take a selfie in front of your favorite piece and send it in by clicking Submit Proof above. You can't get smART without ART.</p>	<p>Grade 8 Sports Day Events</p>  <p>We will send out a code for all you new Grade 8s to use to unlock this special Grade 8 badge. Welcome to the Community, Grade 8s.</p>
<p>Saturn General</p>  <p>You did an art event in the month of September. Go to a gallery, attend a concert, be part of a performance. You can't get smART without ART!</p>	<p>Welcome Back Assembly - Sept 14 Events</p>  <p>Welcome Back to another year at Byng. Join us in the auditorium last period and hear what we have in store for you in the year ahead. Cheer on the Grade 8s as they get sorted into their Houses.</p>

Byng Arts Student Council Info

Student council meets every Thursdays on Teams and in face to face in room A223. Everyone is welcome, use the link on Teams to go to the Student Council Channel and start to get involved or contact council on Instagram ([@byngartstudentcouncil](https://www.instagram.com/byngartstudentcouncil))

Meeting Details: Thursday, September 29th

GALA:

The Google form has been closed and votes have been totaled..... our gala theme for this year..... is..... (drumroll please)

TIME TRAVEL!

Thank you to all those who voted! Be sure to start planning your costumes now - we're all looking forward to seeing them! Gala auditions day are TBD - start practicing now if you'd like to land a spot in the performances! Lastly, a reminder that the Gala date is on November 30th!!

COFFEE HOUSE:

Monday, October 24th, afterschool. Auditions will be Monday, October 17th and Tuesday, October 18th

And as always, feel free to attend council meeting every Thursday at lunch at Mr. Hartley-Folz's room! Contact Mr. Hartley-Folz if you have any Byng Arts questions (jhartley@vsb.bc.ca)

You can't get smART without ART!