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Message from the Principal

Dear Lord Byng Parents, Students and Community Members,

This week the major focus of the school was to honor our Canadian veterans and to acknowledge the sacrifice and contribution that they made for our country.

Students in all grades attended our assemblies throughout the day on Thursday and I would to thank all the staff that were involved in supporting and planning the presentation of this event. Members of the Royal Canadian Legion also attended the ceremonies and spoke about the experiences of themselves and their comrades that fought for Canada during the major conflicts of our age.

As we acknowledge and reflect on this day it is especially important as a caring community to extend our support to the victims of war including recent refugees from the Ukraine and those minorities that were targeted and victimized during past conflicts. Our hearts go out to all victims of war and especially to the Jewish families living in our community for whom the date November 9th is remembered as a time of sadness, marking the attacks against them in a date remembered as Kristallnacht, a night when Jewish people and businesses were targeted and destroyed in what became the start of the Holocaust.

Wishing you all a peaceful Remembrance Day and a moment to share in the legacy of peace and freedom that we today all enjoy thanks to the sacrifice of so many.

Mr. Wilmann

School News

Thanks to everyone for all your hard work at this busy time of the year to support our students and to ensure that we are on track to have a successful school year for all learners that aligns with our Four Pillars of Learning and our collective school mission of developing Educated Citizens who also know how to have fun as we found out this week with our Halloween events!

Halloween fun began this week with the Student Council Fashion Show in the Gym at lunch, the musical dance production of Thriller and all the staff and students that showed up in costume to create a day of celebration and fun during this Fall season event!

Here are a few visual memories of the day:



Figure 1 Students and Staff participate in the Halloween Fashion show



Figure 2 Michael Jackson's Thriller starts the Halloween Event in the LB school

gym

Figure 3 What happened to our Student Services Team this week???



Figure 4 A visitor from the past comes to the cafeteria!!!!

Thanks Mr. Sandher and the Student Council students for supporting another season of Halloween fun here at Byng!!
Amongst the other major undertakings this week were:

- Literacy 12 exams
- Bring Your Kids to Work Day (Grade 9)
- Byng Arts information Night (Grade 7)
- Grade 2 & 3 JQ students join the Grade 8 Drama class for some puppet theatre and fun
- Newcomer Welcome Event for ELL Parents & students
- Experiential Learning: Choir Field Trip to Whistler
- Experiential Learning: Cross country Field Trip to Victoria
- Experiential Learning: The Reconciliation Journey continues
- Student Engagement Through Project Based Learning

Here is just a quick look at some of the activities from the week past:

Literacy 12 Exams: Supporting our students with their final exams and transitioning beyond high school:

Completing their final MOE mandated Literacy 12 exam students worked throughout the week in the library completing this important graduation requirement.

Special thanks for organizing these exams goes to the following staff:

Tech Support and Computer assistance: Mr. Ricky Sidhu

Exam Coordination and set up: Ms. Nicole Tichelman, Ms. Darlene Hughes

Library and Learning Support: Ms. Moldowan and Ms. Rezler

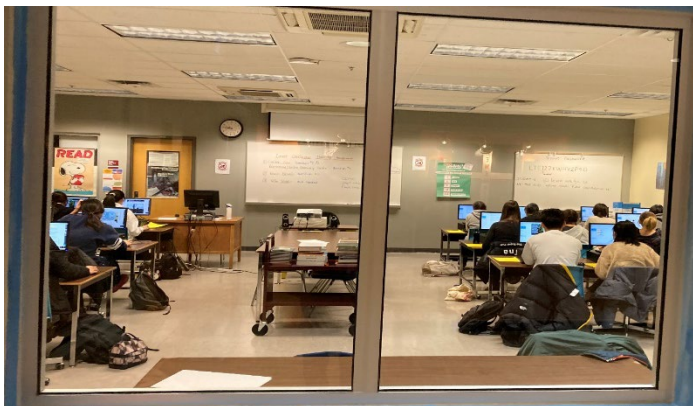


Figure 5 Grade 12 Students write their Literacy 12 exams in the Library Computer Lab.

Thanks also to all the staff that have adjusted their instructional time to support students being able to write these compulsory exams particularly the English Department for flexibility and support.

Bring Your Kids to Work Day (Grade 9):

The school was very quiet on Wednesday particularly for Grade 9 classes and some of our staff members including Ms. Rezler bringing

her daughter in to learn about what a very full day of what the life of being a school librarian looks like.

Amongst stacking shelves and organizing displays 2 Grade 9 visitors to the school learned from our amazing Librarian Team about one very potential interesting career opportunity!!!
Thanks Ms. Moldowan and Ms. Rezler for your mentorship!



Figure 6 Ms. Rezler and Ms. Moldowan mentor students during the Grade 9 Bring Your Kids to Work Day

Byng Arts information Night (Grade 7):

Wednesday night the school opened its doors to parent and student applicants for the Byng Arts Program. The evening provided an important update for Grade 7 students from across the district to learn about the incredible learning opportunities that are available in this unique 8-12 Fine Arts Program.



Byng Arts

A community of young artists and their mentors

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(October to April)

Current News

(Updated November 4, 2022)

Byng Arts Application Process for September 2023:

Paper Application Packages are available in our School Office.

Pick up your first step to the application process. Submissions will include a paper application AND an online component this year. The online portal opens November 7th.

Check out our [TIMELINE](#) and our [Selection Process](#) pages to learn what each department requires before the submission deadlines. Contact us at byngarts@vsb.bc.ca. if you have any questions and good luck with application process.

You can't get smART without ART!

Thanks Jon and the Byng Arts Team for providing information on this very exciting District Mini-School Program!

Grade 2 & 3 JQ Students Join the Grade 8 Drama class for some Puppet Theatre and Fun:

In an update below by our Theatre teacher Ms. Mclean here is a quick update on this learning opportunity for Grade 8s and their junior mentees alike!

The kids created innocent and appropriate puppet stories and performances for grade 2/3 guests from JQ. Puppets are a great way to honour storytelling using voice and engagement of the puppet while working as a team. It is an ego-less art form void of 'lead vs. minor roles' and yet the 8's felt overjoyed by the reaction of the young audience. It proves that the story is the centre of our purpose, not the individual performer.

Newcomer Welcome Event for ELL Parents:

Newcomer ELL Parents and students met with counsellors, and members of the ELL Department, the Ed. Leadership Team, PAC co-chairs, SWIS Parent Support Team, and other staff in a newcomer welcome event designed to welcome and provide an orientation to the school.

This event was organized by our SWIS Worker (Settlement) Ms. Janet Chung and supported by student leaders from the Byng Project 3B as well as support provided by the Tech. Student Support Team led by Chloe Mok, Wendy Zheng and Athena Wang. Mr. Robert Li, the Multi-cultural worker was also in attendance and supported parents translating the presentation into Mandarin.

Amongst the highlights was an opportunity to hear from the counselling & ELL Team and to learn about some of the programming available at the school including the new SIOB Program as well as the community development opportunities through the Byng Project 3B (Bridge, Bond, Build), a school-based program organized by Byng SWIS Program. Byng Project 3B has been a major success at the school and provides an entry point for students to meet friends and to learn important skills through volunteering.



Figure 8 Byng principal, staff from Counselling and ELL Dept., parents from Byng PAC and SWIS Parent Support Team as well as student leaders of the “Welcome & Orientation” event took a group photo together.



Figure 9 Student leaders, Mike Qiu, Kelvin Xi, Eric Luo, Anna Fan and Eleanor Liu from Byng Project 3B MC the Orientation and Welcome Event for Newcomer parents and students!

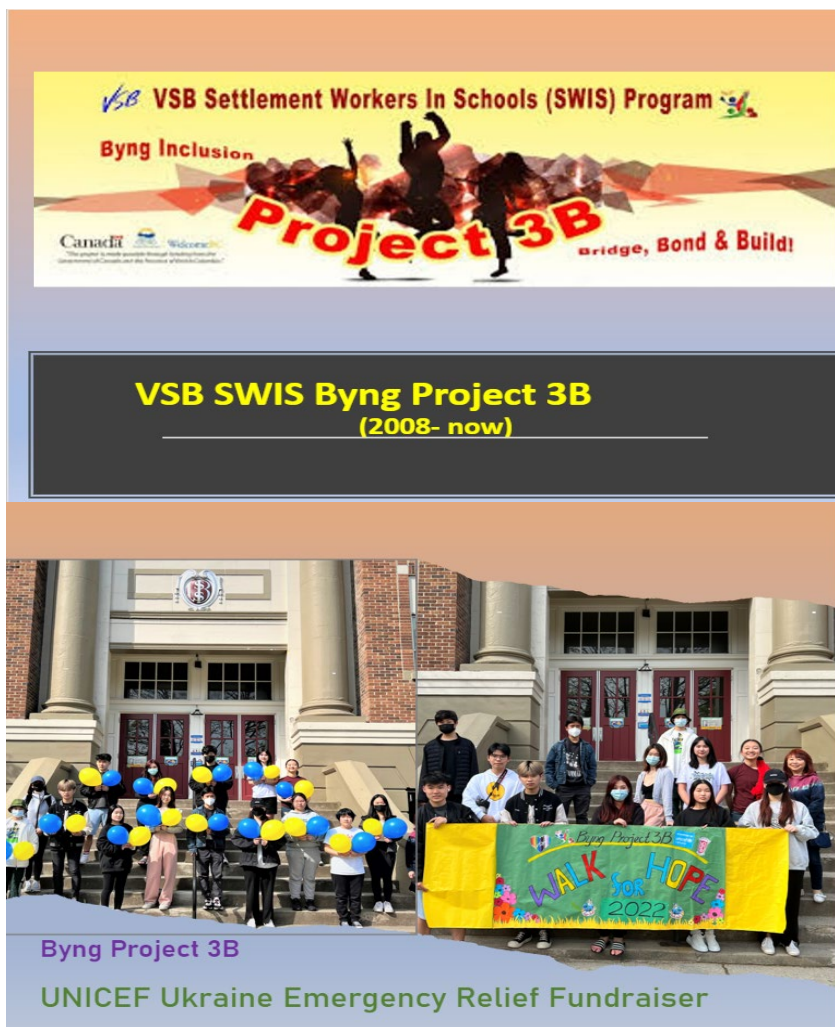


Figure 10 The Ukraine Emergency Relief Fundraiser was one of the leadership opportunities that Byng Project 3B students organized in last year.



Figure 71 One of the cultural events that parents, and students learned about at the ELL Newcomer Event held on Friday night.

Thank you to all the staff that attended this event and were available to answer questions and to support the transition of newcomer students and their families to our school community.
Also thank you to the members of our Byng Parent Community that were responsible for organizing and participating in this event:



Ms. Manna Liu (SIWS)
 Ms. Mary Ma (SWIS)
 Ms. Sarah Sun (SWIS)
 Ms. Kristin McAllister (PAC)
 Ms. Tammy Baltz (PAC)
 Ms. Jacky Wang (PAC)

Ms. Ting Liu
 Ms. Wei Ping Gan
 Mr. Shen Fei
 Ms. Elaine Gu
 Ms. Vicky Lin
 Mr. Zheng Rong Zheng

Ms. Lifang Lin
 Ms. Xiaomin Wang

Experiential Learning Through Field Studies:

Students in Ms. Lan's Choir class took to the road on Thursday to participate in a Choir Competition in Whistler while Mr. Jack and Ms. Schnieder headed out on Friday morning to support the Cross country in a competition in Victoria.



Figure 82 The Cross-Country Team head out for a weekend of cross country running in Victoria BC.



Figure 93 Cross country Athletes meet at LB before leaving for Victoria

Figure 104 With victory in mind and coming number 1, the team set out for Victory in Victoria!!!

Experiential Learning: The Reconciliation Journey Continues

Supporting our school with our Reconciliation journey three very familiar faces were at Byng on Wednesday to continue our collective journey.

Chad Carpenter our Indigenous Education Worker met with Elder Ray McKeown who is at Byng every Thursday as part of our newly developed Elder in Residence Program. Ray has made his way into numerous classes already and is available to visit on Thursdays in your classrooms.

Stay posted for more updates on how we are honoring this very important Pillar of Learning the weeks ahead.



Figure 11 Dave Robinson, Ray McKeown and Chad Carpenter lead the way supporting the school with our Reconciliation journey.

Student Engagement Through Project Based Learning:

Once again students in Grade 12 are engaged in developing their Capstone projects for the year.

Here is one example of recent community focused project that exemplifies the attributes of the Educated Citizen.

Hello, my name is Charlie, I am a grade 12 student at Byng. I have always harboured in my heart, a great deal of admiration and respect for all the brave Canadian men and women who have answered our country's call and served dutifully in her defence. It was for this reason that I decided to centre my capstone project around supporting Canadian veterans. I did my research on Canadian veteran groups and reached out to the Canadian Royal Legion, who kindly agreed to support and guide me through my project. After consulting with executives of Royal Legion Branch 179, we came up with the idea of doing a pizza sale at Byng for the poppy fund; all donations toward the poppy fund will be used to provide financial assistance and support to Canadian veterans and their families. The pizza sale will begin on November the 7th in the foyer during lunch. Depending on the success on November 7th, there is a possibility that we might choose to continue the sale on the 8th and 9th of November. Beyond organizing the pizza sale, I am also planning a Remembrance-themed arts exhibition on November 10th, the day of the Remembrance Day assembly. The artworks presented at the exhibition will be coming directly from our very talented students at Byng. These two events will be advertised through posters, morning announcements, social media, and in-person speeches. The legion and myself sincerely hope that staff and students at Byng will actively participate in these events in the spirit of remembrance.

Remembrance Day Art Exhibition



Lest We Forget

Create your own Remembrance-themed artwork!



**Bring your work to the gallery
between Monday, Nov 7th, and
Wednesday, Nov 9th**

Special thanks to Charlie Jiang for all his work on planning for this special week and for connecting with the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 179 to arrange for guest speakers and fund raising for the 2022 Poppy Fund-great work and thanks to all the staff that are supporting Charlie on his learning journey and his leadership as an Educated Citizen!

An important task that was undertaken by staff this week was planning our Grade Assemblies for our school Remembrance Day Assemblies next week.

Special thanks for planning these very important grade assemblies go to:

- Mr. Andy Johnston (MC & Video Production)

- Ms. Ruth Anderson (Musical Production-Strings)
- Mr. Hartley -Folz (Planning)
- Mr. Nick Booker (Tech Support)
- Ms. Lisa Lan (Musical Production-Choir)
- Mr. Matt Thiessen (Tech Support)
- Ms. Darlene Hughes (Event Planning & Coordination)

Assemblies will be held in the auditorium on Thursday November 10th:

Session 1 (grade 8's): 8:45 – 9:30am, period 1 – 1

Session 2 (grade 9's): 9:40 – 10:10am, period 1 – 1

Session 3 (grade 10's): 10:30 – 11:15am, period 1 – 2

LUNCH 11:30am – 12:15pm

Strings play (students of Ruth Anderson):

Session 4 (grade 11's): 12:30 – 1:15pm, period 1 – 3

Session 5 (grade 12's): 1:30 – 2:15pm, period 1 – 4

Mid Semester Block Flip Day: Monday November 14th

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Please be advised of the new rotation that will be in place until the end of Semester 1 (Feb 2):
2, 1, 4, 3

School Closures Due to Weather or Other Conditions

School closures due to weather or other conditions

This applies to a situation when schools or worksites are **closed** due to weather conditions, a natural disaster or other emergency situations that might endanger the health and / or safety of students and staff.

Parents please check the VSB website or listen to the radio/TV stations listed below to learn about **school closures**. Please do not call media outlets to ask whether schools are closed

By 7:00 am, the VSB will post information about snow closure on its website at www.vsb.bc.ca and will inform local media stations, including:

- CKNW (980 AM)
- CBC (690 AM, 105.7 FM)
- CJVB (1470 AM)
- CFHG (96.1 FM)
- CKWX (1130 AM)
- BCTV/Global
- CITY TV

School Parking Lot

Dear Parents and Students,

Parents and students should not be in the parking lot during school hours. This pertains to both in and out of the car.

Also, reminder below:

Due to a serious safety issue, we are asking all parents to:

- please do not park on Wallace Street
- please do not drive through the staff parking lot
- please do not use the drive through at the Lord Byng front entrance

If you need to drop off your child, please consider doing so a few blocks away. We appreciate your cooperation in making sure that the safety of your child is of the utmost importance to us.

Thank you,
Mr. Wilmann

Tree Lot

TREE LOT OPENS NOVEMBER 24TH - Our annual tradition is back! The Lord Byng Holiday Tree Lot opens November 24th. The hours are:

Monday to Friday 2:00pm - 8pm

Sat and Sunday 10am - 6:30pm

Parent Teacher Conferences

PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

Thursday, November 24th, 2022 – 3:00-7:00 PM on TEAMS

Parents/Guardians wanting to meet with their child's teachers will book Parent-Teacher Conference appointments ONLINE at <http://byng.schoolappointments.com>. Prior to booking, parents/guardians must register.

We recommend registering early prior to opening of the booking window.

More detailed information about Parent-Teacher Conferences and booking instructions will be emailed out to families early

next
week.

SCHOOL APPOINTMENTS REGISTRATION – PARENT INSTRUCTIONS

1. Go to our school appointments web site: <http://byng.schoolappointments.com>
2. Register for an account by clicking the "REGISTER" menu tab and filling in the on-line form. Choose a user id and password for yourself and then click the "Register now" button.
3. Add your children into the system by clicking the "Add a student" button. Click "Insert New" button to add more children.

Appointment Scheduling dates:

November 18th, 2022 (7:00 PM) to November 23rd, 2022 (3:30 PM)

Collaborative Dates/ Schedule

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

PM Collaboration Dates: Students leave at 1:45pm: No F.I.T. Oct 13; Jan 12; Apr 13; Jun 8	
Period 1	8:40-10:01
Break	10:01-10:11
Period 2	10:11-11:32
Lunch	11:32-12:17
Period 3	12:17-12:59
Break	12:59-1:05
Period 4	1:05-1:45
Collab	1:45-3:06

PAC News

Please join us for our PAC meeting next Wednesday, November 16th at 7:00pm in the school Library.

Make New Connections through Wednesday Morning Walks in Pacific Spirit Park. For Parents who would like to enjoy nature while making new connections in the Byng community, please join us for our Wednesday walks. All are welcome. We will meet at the steps at the front of the school on Wed November 16th at 9:00 am. Pls RVSP to Nora at noradyng@hotmail.com

BYNG GRAD HOLIDAY FUNDRAISERS ENDING SOON! GET YOUR HOLIDAY GREENS AND CHOCOLATES HERE!

HOLIDAY GREENERY SALE ENDING NOVEMBER 13TH This year we are selling beautiful poinsettias, holiday wreaths, seasonal tropical planters, and the newly added outdoor greenery arrangements. Please consider purchasing for yourselves, and selling to co-workers, friends, and family. Pick up will be at Lord Byng between November 29th and 30th. Details are on the order form ☺. To help with this fundraiser email Pat at patricia.tewfik@gmail.com

To view Greenery product photos, information and to order, visit our Winter Fundraising

PURDYS HOLIDAY CHOCOLATE SALE LAST DAY NOVEMBER 26th

We are excited to bring this fundraiser back this year! Ordering is as easy as eating chocolate:

- Just click on this link: <https://fundraising.purdys.com/1579540-98664>
- Fill out your info (including email address)
- Click 'Join Campaign'
- You will be taken to the Lord Byng Grad 2023 campaign and can order away!
- Pick up at the school will be on December 9, TBC.

To volunteer to help, email Kristie at kristietrainor@gmail.com

[THANK-YOU to everyone who supported the Grad bottle drive on Saturday. It was a big success!](#)

Grade 12 Parents please sign-up ASAP to the grad committee 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](#).**

Grade 12 High School Graduation & Beyond Parent Presentation – A reminder there is lots of great information on the Byng website under [Families and Guidance Tab – Grade 12 including the presentation from School Counsellors](#). Also, last year, the PAC hosted two BC Education Planner sessions which we recorded. Links below - one in English and other in Mandarin.

[BC Education Planner – English](#)

[BC Education Planner - Chinese](#)

Upcoming 2022/23 PAC Meeting Dates:

November 16, 2022

January 18, 2023

February 15, 2023

April 19, 2023

May 17, 2023

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

We look forward to connecting with you! Lord Byng PAC

Ceramics Pick Up

Students who have taken ceramics must collect their work from B105 before December break, to avoid their work being thrown away or donated in the new year.

Byng Athletics

Senior Boys Soccer Team

The Senior Boys Soccer Team were back again playing after two years away from competing in the Vancouver league. The team did remarkably well considering three of the starting eleven players are in grade 10! The boys ended up losing a hard-fought match to Point Grey 2-0 in the playoff semi-finals. Mr. Johnston and the lads want to thank the many Byng fans, both students and parents alike who came out to cheer the team on. We had amazing support especially on the incredibly rainy Tuesday last week when we lost in the semi-finals. Mr. Johnston also wants to thank the team members who were a great bunch of guys! Lots of laughs and some great memories will remain of a successful season on the pitch!

BASKETBALL MEETINGS AND TRYOUTS

TRYOUTS

Monday November 21st 3:20pm in the Main Gym

Wednesday November 23rd 3:20pm in the Main Gym

If you need more information, please email: ksandher@vsb.bc.ca

Grade 8 Girls Volleyball

The Grade 8 Girls Volleyball Team played their final regular season match at Churchill yesterday. The team won in straight sets

finishing the season with a perfect 6-0 record.

Over the past two months, the team has played in four tournaments finishing 3rd, 2nd, 1st, and 3rd. The Grade 8's have played 25 matches so far, compiling an outstanding 20-5 record.

Well done, Abby, Addy H., Addy M., Adelle, Alice, Chole, Cloe, Harper, Jenny, Joanna, Kaira, Katie, Macey, Mina, and Nika. The Girls play their first playoff match on Tuesday at 4 PM at Point Grey, followed immediately by another match at 5:15 PM. Good luck and great job!



Byng Strings Fall Concert

Lord Byng Strings Fall Concert

Wednesday, November 16

7pm at Lord Byng Auditorium

Doors open at 6:30pm

Enter through the Crown St. Auditorium entrance

Concessions available during intermission



2023 Strings Benefit Concert Online Donation (open all year long).

School Cash Online: <https://vsb.schoolcashonline.com/Fee/Details/1869/196/false/true/>

* Most importantly, parents need to indicate the Lord Byng Strings name for the funds to go directly to the program.

Instructions to donate: [2023 Strings Benefit Concert Online Donation](#)

Lockers Update

Locker selection will be done online. Please click [HERE](#) for instructions on how to book online.

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 Oct 31st, 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.

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.

2022/2023 School Fees

Payment for [school fees](#) via [SchoolCash Online](#).

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

Counselling Department Update

TREK @Prince of Wales

Dear Grade 9 parents and students,

The TREK Outdoor Education program is an integrated outdoor education program for Grade 10 students offered by the Vancouver School Board at Prince of Wales Secondary School.

The program is open to all grade 10 students in Vancouver and students need to apply during their grade 9 year. An information meeting is being held at 7:00 PM on Nov 15th at Prince of Wales Secondary School.

For more information, please visit the TREK website <http://www.trekoutdoorprogram.ca/procedures-and-timeline>

Grade 11/12 Post-Secondary Visits

McGill, Queens now added!

We have advertised a number of post-secondary information sessions. All of this information is in student Teams, Grade 11 and Grade 12 (Counselling 2022/23) under Post-secondary channel. UBC is not doing any high school visits this year.

Date	University	Time	Location
October 4	SFU	Lunch	Auditorium
October 11	UVic	Lunch	Auditorium
October 17	UoT	3 pm	Library
October 25	Emily Carr	FIT Time	Room A226
October 26	Western University	3 pm	Library
November 9	Dalhousie	Lunch	Library
November 14	Waterloo	3pm	Library
November 15	Queens	Fit (9:40-10:30)	TBA
November 17	McGill	Fit (1:30-2:06)	TBA
November 22	University of Alberta	3 pm	Auditorium
November 23	Langara College	Lunch	Auditorium

Grade 12 assembly: Grade 12 & Beyond

Our Grade 12 info session for parents and guardians happened on Tuesday, Oct 25 from 7 - 8:15 pm. Our presentation has now been shared with all grade 12 students through their Counselling Teams post-secondary channel, and it's also been uploaded on the school website. Here it is: [Grade 12 Graduation and Beyond](#)

Grade 12 Graduation Letter

Here is the updated Graduation Letter for all parents/caregivers of grade 12 students:

Graduation Letter: [Grade 12 Graduation Letter](#)

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 eg. Counselling 2022/23 (Grade 12s)

Art School Articulation – *You can't get smART without ART!*

IDEA Program at CapU

Are you interested in a career as a graphic designer or illustrator?

Capilano University's [Bachelor of Design in Visual Communication](#) in the Faculty Of Fine & Applied Arts at IDEA School Of Design is a 4-year degree program with exciting career outcomes for a new generation of creative professionals. The curriculum is rigorous and industry-focussed; students graduate with highly relevant knowledge and skills.

CAMPUS TOUR NOVEMBER 19th, 11am to 4pm

Event Registration: https://capilanou.ca/programs--courses/get-started/visit-capu/explore-capu-open-house/?utm_source=explore&utm_medium=web&utm_campaign=Redirect

Website: <https://www.capilanou.ca/programs--courses/search--select/explore-our-areas-of-study/fine--applied-arts/idea-school-of-design/>

Byng Arts

New Applicants to the Program – APPLICATION ENVELOPES NOW AVAILABLE, ONLINE Portal is Open

If you are interested in joining the Byng Arts program, please visit our website for the most up to date information on the application process: <http://byng2.vsb.bc.ca/byngarts/>

We will have two parts to complete if you wish to apply.

1. Paper Application Envelope
2. Online Application Forms

Pick up an Application Envelope from our school office to start the process.



The online portal is open a link to the forms is on our website.

The deadline for submitting your application is December 15th.

Requirements for each area of focus are posted in the Selection Process section of our website – you can read them over and get started today. (Click here to go to the [Selection Process section](#)).

Byng Arts Passport: passport.lordbyng.net

How many events have you completed? All students will need a minimum of 7 events by January so don't delay, get going today. Have you checked out our latest badges?

<p>Neptune</p> <p>General</p>  <p>Do an art event in the month of November. Keep the creative inspiration flowing by attending a concert, visiting a gallery, or performing a work yourself. You can't get smART without ART!</p>	<p>Byng ARGHs</p> <p>General</p>  <p>Dress up for Halloween this Monday (October 31st). Grey ghost or ghoul or whatever your imagination can think up. Find a Byng Arts English teacher like Ms. Pitchford-Yeung, Ms. Egan, and Mr. Harris or look for Mr. Hartley-Folz in the art room to get your passport token.</p>	<p>Fall Music Performance (Oct/Nov)</p> <p>Music</p>  <p>Unlock this achievement by performing in one of our music ensembles (Band, Choir, Strings) this Fall or by attending one of these performances as an audience member.</p>
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If you are having trouble with your passport account, make sure to read the detailed instructions on Teams of contact Mr. Hartley-Folz (jhartley@vsb.bc.ca) to get things sorted.

Byng Arts Gala – November 30th at the Roundhouse Community Centre

You need to RSVP for GALA right away without delay (Deadline to sign up is Monday, November 14):

LINK: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScwL8ShfBaC4YKUWRvqidJiECeaZXdAIRW1xtn_7BjAmQKCWw/viewform

Let us know if you are coming and help us plan food and seating.

Are you lactose-intolerant? Gluten-free? Vegetarian? Maybe even vegan? Or perhaps...are you an avid meat eater? Whatever the case, now is the time to let us know! We will have all the basic food groups--chips and pizza, of which we will offer toppings of cheese, veggies, and meat. If you don't tell us now, you might only be able to wallow in misery as you watch all your friends who answered this RSVP happily scarfing down their food....

The Gala is a sit-down celebration of the arts with performances, games, a costume contest and dance. A teen friendly dinner of chips, pizza, and snacks will be served. Doors open at 4:30 and the event begins formally at 5:00.

Our theme is Time Travel, so start planning out your costume. Turn yourself into a time machine, a clock, a sundial - the possibilities are endless. Or, pick an era and come as a person or location from that time period, Do it on your own or talk to your friends and have your costumes fit a theme.

If you would rather play games than dance, then BYOG: (Bring Your Own Game)! If you have a favourite game to play, bring it along to the Gala. The night ends at 9pm cause it's a school night.

Parents: We need help with driving, set up and clean up. We will send out a request for parent volunteers soon.

Call for GALA Performers – Audition Sign Up

Each year the Gala showcases student performances as part of the celebration. Groups and individuals are invited to audition next week in the music room - November 14 and 15th at lunch or afterschool.

Deadline to sign up is Sunday, November 13th:

LINK: <https://forms.gle/wMfNuyGv2WasjLQH7>

Byng Arts Student Council Info

Student council meets every Thursday face to face in room A223. Everyone is welcome.

Use the link on Teams to go to the Student Council Channel to read the minutes from our meetings, ask questions, or contact council on Instagram ([@byngartstudentcouncil](https://www.instagram.com/byngartstudentcouncil))

Meeting Details:

GALA:

Gala Auditions are on November 14th and 15th! Sign up by Sunday if you wish to perform.

Auditions are next week on the 14th and 15th during FIT and after school!

RSVP for Gala is due by the end of the day on Monday the 14th!! Make sure to fill out the form to ensure you get a bubble tea at the event :)

Costume Contest Categories:

Best Group

Best from the past

Best from the future

Most funny/punny

Most elaborate

MURALS

The Mural Group is meeting together each day after school to paint murals - feel free to come lend a hand! We need your help!

And as always, feel free to attend the council meeting every Thursday at lunch in Mr. Hartley-Folz's room!

Contact Mr. Hartley-Folz if you have any Byng Arts questions (jhartley@vsb.bc.ca)