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Message from the Principal

Dear Lord Byng Parents, Students and Community Members,

It was a very busy week for all our students returning to classes this week with our opening assembly for all Grade 9-12 students as well as the welcome for our Grade 8 students in the Grade 8 Orientation in the afternoon. On top of this was a very full week of new classes beginning for the start of Semester 1.

Special thanks for preparing the school for the start of the 2022-23 school year goes all our staff and especially to our Building and Custodial Team for preparing the school for start up throughout the summer.

Thanks also to our amazing Office Team for making sure that everything was in place for a smooth first week. Throughout this first week counsellors have been supporting students with course changes and making sure that all our students have full schedules for the year ahead.

Next week we will be having our first full week of regular scheduling.

Have a much-deserved restful weekend.

Mr. Wilmann

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](#).

School Consent Forms

The following consent forms were given to students during homeroom class this week and need to be returned to the school office:

- Personal Information and Media Consent
- Request for CASL Consent
- Emergency Student(s) Reunification Authorization

- Parent/Guardian Local Neighbourhood Excursion

* Grade 8 students were given a student verification form that needs to be verified/ updated and changes made on the form and returned to the school office. It's important that we have updated information on file. If there are no changes on the verification form, please return to the office.

Student verification forms for grades 9-12 students will be sent via MyEd BC next week.

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.

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.

Cross Country

For all students who are interested in joining the Cross Country team, we will have practices next week on Tuesday and Thursday. We meet at 3:30 pm at Camosun Park (beside Queen Elizabeth Park) and practices will end by approximately 4:45 pm. No one will be cut from the team. See Mr. Jack or Ms. Schnieder for more details.

Mr. Jack

Counselling Department Update

Counsellors are assigned to students by their last name (for all grades):

A to Gr – Ms. Chittenden kchittenden@vsb.bc.ca

Gs to L – Ms. J. Radic jradic@vsb.bc.ca

M to Te – Ms. Smith msmith@vsb.bc.ca

Tf to Z – Ms. VanderKlippe mvanderklippe@vsb.bc.ca

Counsellors will be reaching out to students with incomplete timetables. Details for course change requests will be available soon.

Please do not come to the school, all communication with counsellors at this time will be remote. Counsellors can be contacted by email (see above) or by phone at 604-713-8171.

Photo Re-take Day

If you missed having your photo taken, photo retake day will be on Thursday, Sept 29th.

Grade 12 Grad Photo Session

Grade 12 reminder for all grads to have their grad photos taken at Artona Studios from Sept 24-28, 2022. The studio has been booked for Lord Byng students. Students need to make an appointment.

Please see link for more info and to book your appointment: <https://artona.com/schools/BYNG/programs/graduation>

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](#) 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)

PAC

We know parents, caregivers and students have many questions about the transition back to school and as your Byng PAC we will do our best to share relevant information, support communication from Byng Administration and facilitate opportunities for dialogue amongst the Byng community.

2022/23 PAC Meeting Dates:

September 21, 2022
October 12, 2022
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!

Fine Arts Info

ATTENTION ARTISTS – Call for Artwork (open to the whole school)

We want to know what you have been doing all summer. Bring your artwork to the Gallery next week and submit it for the first show of the year.

Make sure to put your name and grade on the back and a way to contact you (email or phone number). This show is open to everyone.

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

ARTS CLUB THEATRE PROGRAMS

Applications are now open for the 2022–2023 cohort of LEAP! Apply by Oct 18.

LEAP—Learning Early About Playwriting—is a **free and interactive program** for young people (**ages 16–25**) in the B.C. Lower Mainland who are interested in playwriting. Over 180 students have been mentored through the creation of original dramatic works since the program’s inception in 2006.

Participants learn the basic principles of playwriting, share their work with classmates, and provide feedback for one another in a safe and supportive environment. Students also receive feedback from theatre professionals and have their plays workshopped and presented to the public in staged readings.

LEAP is a full-scholarship program, and it is 100% funded by donors and sponsors. There is no cost to students.

Instruction is offered at three levels:

Level 1 students are mentored through the creation of a short-form play (10 minutes)

Level 2 students write one-act plays (20–40 minutes)

Level 3 one student is supported through the creation of a full-length play

Application deadline is Mon, Oct 18! [CLICK HERE](#)

Byng Arts Info

Byng Arts Welcome Back Assembly on **Wednesday**, September 14th

Welcome Back Assembly in Period 1-4 (last period) for all Byng Arts students. This will review the three Ps: program, passports and probation. It will introduce this year’s student council executive and give details on how to get involved. We will also introduce the new grade 8s and sort them into their new Houses. It will be great to see everyone face to face. Please let your teacher know and be ready to come down at the beginning of the period.



BYNG ARTS “Sports” Day for new Grade 8s. Wednesday, September 14th **This fun team building event will help you get to know your fellow Byng Arts classmates and be led by volunteers from the older grades and staff. It takes place immediately after the Welcome Back Assembly and will finish around 4:30pm, so save the date and keep this time clear of conflicts.**



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. A trip to an art gallery, music performance, film fest event or a drama performance can all contribute to our artistic

development. Involvement in a performance is also a great way to grow as an artist.

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.

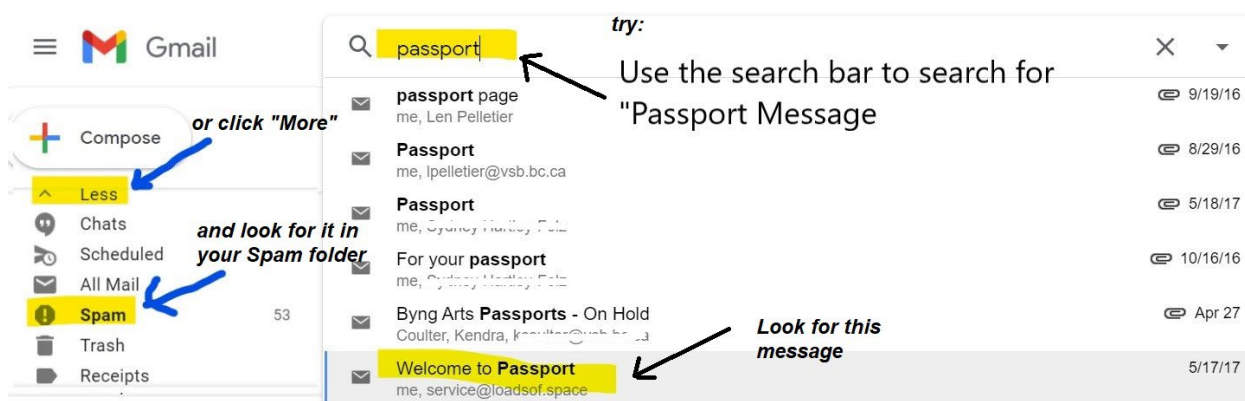
Students should log in to their old account or register as a new user right away without delay and begin building their record of their involvement in the Arts!!!

Here is some help to register for the passport site.

Register by going to <http://passport.lordbyng.net/>

Put in your details as required. (We have notices that @icloud.com email addresses do not work well – if you are having trouble, use your school email @learn.vsb.bc.ca instead)

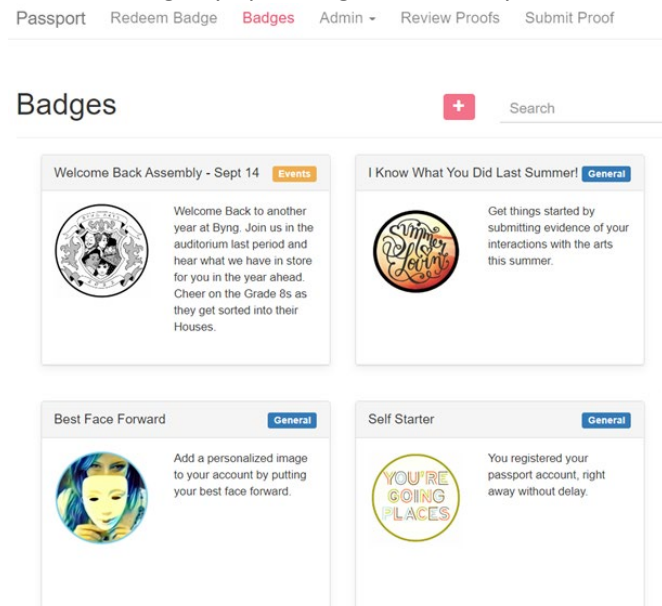
You will be asked to activate your account by clicking on the email that the passport site sends you after registering. Many of your email programs will reroute this message to your **spam folder**. Look for a message from service@loadsof.space or search for the word “passport” (it should arrive in less than a minute). See below:



Once you have activated your account, log on and:

Upload a Profile Picture (small file size please)

Unlock a badge by uploading evidence of your activities



Badges to Unlock:

Self-Starter - Register and this one is automatic

Best Face Forward - Upload a profile picture

I Know What You Did Last Summer - send a photo of your summer ART activities by clicking "Submit Proof" (See below):

Passport

Redeem Badge

Badges

Admin ▾

Review Proofs

Submit Proof



Jon Hartley-Folz ▾

1. Click Submit Proof

New proof

Take a selfie!

Take a photo of yourself at the performance/art event you are attending.

- Make sure it is obvious where you are (take a photo with a sign behind you).
- If you have a ticket, hold that in the photo.
- You may take a photo with friends, but each person must submit separately.

Submit a ticket.

Take a photo of your ticket from a performance/art event.

- Your ticket **must** clearly display your full name.
- If you have a preferred and legal name in your school record, either will work.
- If your ticket doesn't include your name and you didn't take a selfie, you will need to bring your ticket to a school admin.

2. Upload an Image as proof

FILE

Choose File No file chosen

MESSAGE

Enter a message

3. Write a message about the event and what badge it is for.

4. Click submit when done and we review your request

Submit

We will review this again in your English class once school starts so don't worry if you are having trouble, we'll make sure that you are on track before the end of September.

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 8th

Hey Byng Arts! We are so glad to have had so many people attend this year's first council meeting. Feel free to join us next week Thursday at lunch if you missed out this week!

ASSEMBLY:

There will be an assembly next Wednesday for all Byng Arts students during the 1-4 block. Make sure to notify your teacher beforehand in case your 1-4 class isn't a Byng Arts course.

GRADE EIGHT SPORTS DAY:

The grade eight sports day is back next Wednesday after two years of the pandemic! Be prepared for lots of interactive activities such as blindfold tag, balloon stomp, and much more!

GRADE REPS

Grade rep applications will be sent out next week online - be sure to fill them out if you are interested!

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

You can't get smART without ART!