

# BAYSIDE MIDDLE SCHOOL

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## Bayside Bulletin- February 2018

Greetings- The calendar has flipped to February and we have surpassed the half way point of this school year. February is a short month and students and staff are extremely busy working on curriculum outcomes. All students should be putting forth their best efforts.

Home Reports- The second **home report** will be issued on March 26<sup>th</sup>. Again this term, we will offer a **Parent-Teacher Interview** format. An appointment sheet will accompany the home report so that parents can select appointment times. Our hope is that parents of children who are struggling academically will take advantage of this time and be part of the intervention plan for their child's success at school. The scheduled dates for Parent-Teacher Interviews are Wednesday evening, March 28<sup>th</sup>, from 4:00- 7:00pm and Thursday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, from 1:00-3:00 pm. Students will not have school on March 29<sup>th</sup> as teachers will be attending professional development activities in the morning and Parent-Teacher Interviews in the afternoon.

Fundraising Campaign- Bayside Middle School will conduct a ticket raffle as the major fundraising effort for our school community from March 26<sup>th</sup> until April 6<sup>th</sup>. We have received the license to conduct this draw on April 7<sup>th</sup>. Students who receive parental permission will receive books of tickets to sell on March 27<sup>th</sup>. It is our hope that each child will be able to sell at least one book of tickets to support the many activities and programs offered at our school. The lucky winner of the raffle will receive \$1000.00 cash. Prizes will also be offered to top sellers and classes.

High School Registration- Our Grade 8 students received applications for high school on February 1<sup>st</sup>. They have also been invited to attend open houses. Applications need to be returned to homeroom teachers before February 15<sup>th</sup>. Students are reminded that these applications do not guarantee acceptance to the school of their choice. Also, students will be reminded of the importance of meeting academic, attendance, and behavioral expectations for the remainder of the school year. Open Houses will held on the following dates:

February 5<sup>th</sup>- Simonds High School-6:30- 8:30 pm  
February 6<sup>th</sup>- St. Malachy's High School- 6:30 -8:30 pm  
February 7<sup>th</sup>- Saint John High School- 6:30- 8:30 pm  
February 8<sup>th</sup>- Reserved in case one of the previous Open Houses gets cancelled.

Basketball- Good luck to both our Girls and Boys Basketball teams as they complete their seasons. Both teams will compete in provincial championships on February 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> and will vie for City & District titles from February 26<sup>th</sup> to March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Thanks to Mr. Cosman for coaching the girls and Mr. Wayne Vaughn for working with the boys' team. Shout out to Ms. Adams for serving as faculty advisor for the boys' team.

Book Fair- Bayside will be hosting a Scholastic Book Fair from March 23<sup>rd</sup> to March 29<sup>th</sup>. Details will be shared closer to those dates, but the fair will be open during Parent Teacher Conference time! Our goal is to help put books in students' hands, whether it be from them personally purchasing books or by stocking our school and classroom libraries with new books we will purchase with our rewards.

Message from your PSSC- Hello Parents, you received a talk mail message from the Bayside Parent School Support Committee. Staff Appreciation Week is coming up February 12<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> and we would like to show the staff at Bayside how much they are appreciated. Our goal is to provide either lunch or coffee break each day of the week. To do this, we need your help. We would appreciate any assistance you could provide with monetary donations, food items, door prizes or your time with the preparation. Please send any monetary donations or door prize items into the school office clearly marked Staff Appreciation Week. Thank you for your support of this event. We have wonderful staff here at Bayside and it is important we recognize their commitment to our children. For more information please call Andrew at 658-9659

Sincerely,  
Andrew Dykeman- Chairman

Enrichment Day- Dear Parents, each year at Bayside, we plan an Enrichment Day for our students. This year, Enrichment Day will be held on March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Students will have the opportunity to attend a showing of the movie *Wonder* and either go bowling or swimming. In order to take advantage of these activities, we are asking for a payment of \$10.00 to cover the fees. More information will be sent home soon.

Sincerely,  
Mark Phinney- Vice-Principal

March Break- New Brunswick students will have March Break from March 5<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>. Students return to school on March 12<sup>th</sup>.

Family Day- Please note that there is no school on February 19<sup>th</sup> as Family Day will be observed.

Drug Awareness Evening- the Bayside Parent School Support Committee is pleased to be hosting an information session on drug awareness with a middle school focus. This event will happen in our auditorium on March 21<sup>st</sup> @ 7pm. Guest speakers will include David Adams, Sgt. David Hartley-Brown, Dr. Tunde Apantaku- Olajide, and Tambrie Hicks. Students are welcome to attend but must be accompanied by a parent.

Pink Day- Bayside will be holding Pink Day on February 28<sup>th</sup> as a means to show support for anti-bullying initiatives.

## Sports

**Badminton**- Congrats on a great badminton season as our 44 athletes worked hard and had 13 Top 3 finishers in the Saint John Middle School Regional Championships:

Grade 6 – Keenan Whitebone & Aiden LeBlanc- second in doubles, Jacob Leaman & Dustin Theriault- third in doubles, Abby Mitchell & Abby Scott- third in doubles.

Grade 7- Caleb Salamone-third singles, Cassidy Robicheau-Busson- third singles, EthanYeomans& Owen Belyea- third doubles, Kayla Muenster & Megan Nichol- second doubles, Emma Coakley & Brook Murray- third doubles, Owen Belyea & Cassidy Robicheau-Busson- third mixed doubles.

Grade 8- Ayden McIntyre- third singles, Callum Machum & Ashton Clarke- third doubles, Latoya Burbridge & Katelyn LeBlanc- second doubles, Ayden McIntyre & Katelyn LeBlanc- second mixed doubles

We highly recommend students join the Saint John Badminton Club to improve skills and have more opportunities to play the sport.

Thanks to Mr. Manuel, Mr. Bacon, Madame Cochenec, Madame Landry, and Mr. Shephard for coaching this year.

**Volleyball-** Many students belong to UNB Wolf Pack or KV Panthers volleyball program. If any student is looking to improve skills, please contact these clubs.

At Bayside, we are one of the few schools having four volleyball teams. We have a varsity and JV teams for both boys and girls which allows roughly 50 students to represent their school. Many of our students are learning the game for the first time which creates a level playing field during tryouts. Tryouts start in March, please encourage your child to join.

Bayside will be offering volleyball clinics for boys and girls on Tuesdays from 5- 6:30 pm. Varsity girls coach, Heather Gillis, with some help for our PE teachers, will be running the clinics. This will help with the development of our players for the upcoming season. Dates are February 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, and 27<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Mr. Manuel for details.

### **Subway Athletes of the Month:**

Cross Country- Ethan Stoddard & Katelyn LeBlanc

Soccer- Alex Lui & Emma Moriarty

Badminton- Colby Train & Kassidy Robicheau-Busson

### Bayside Celebrates.

Our Robotics students would like to celebrate Dr. Andrew Chang for his past 7 years as coordinator of the Robotics Club.

Our Cooking Club students would like to thank Mr. Grant Alchorn for sharing his culinary expertise.

Thanks to Pastor Neil of the Full Gospel Assembly for working with our Wednesday Youth Group.

The Grade 8 French Immersion classes welcomed MP Wayne Long for a talk on government on Friday, January, 26<sup>th</sup>. He discussed his role as representative for Saint John- Rothesay in Ottawa, how the House of Commons functions, and some of his favorite memories as President of the Sea Dogs. Thanks to the kids' generosity, we were able to make a very generous donation of food and cases of bottled water that he will use in providing for people in need who come to his riding office. Good job grade 8s!

Our Education Student Support Team has received plenty of recognition over the past month. Our Resource Teachers, Ms. Murray, Mr. Moore, and Madame Landry were chosen to be the only representatives from ASDS to attend a workshop designed to help students with special needs. Mrs. Smith, our Guidance Counsellor, was chosen to be a representative from ASDS to attend a three day workshop focusing on meeting the growth and maturity of early adolescents. Finally, our School Intervention Worker, Mrs. Pelletier, was selected to attend a conference on inclusion being offered by the Minister of Education. It's nice that all of your hard work is being recognized and that each of you were selected for your knowledge and expertise!

Final Note- the Bayside Middle School website is updated on a daily basis. You can find the latest announcements and notices there. For up to the minute updates, you can follow us on Twitter at @Bayside\_Broncos.