

# BAYSIDE MIDDLE SCHOOL

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## Bayside Bulletin- January 2018

Happy New Year! - Welcome back to students and staff after a well-deserved vacation. Hopefully everyone was able to brave the extremely cold weather. We hope everybody had a great holiday season and is well rested.

School Supplies- With the holiday break now over, this would be a good time to check your child's school supplies. Please make sure they are well stocked (pencils, paper, etc.) and prepared to learn.

Weather- With the mixture of winter weather we experience, please make sure your child is dressed properly for winter conditions. Although we like for our students to get outside at lunch, there will be times when it will be too cold. Government policy states that when the wind chill is in excess of -20 degrees, students are to stay inside.

Auditorium Seats- Please consider sponsoring a chair in the auditorium. For a donation of \$100.00, you will have a plaque installed on the arm rest of a seat with an inscription of your choice. Please contact Pat Laskey at [patrick.laskey@nbed.nb.ca](mailto:patrick.laskey@nbed.nb.ca) for more details.

Home Reports – We are now well into the second marking term. The timing of the second home report is the end of March. Report cards will be issued on March 26th. Parent-Teacher is scheduled for Wednesday, March 28<sup>th</sup> (evening) and Thursday, March 29<sup>th</sup> (afternoon). More information will be available over the next few months.

Professional Learning- Please note that Wednesday, January 17<sup>th</sup> is a half day for students. They will be dismissed at 11:30 am due to staff professional learning in the afternoon.

Annual Bronco Fundraising Campaign- In late March, Bayside Middle School hopes to conduct a ticket raffle as the major fundraising effort for our school community. The application for the license to conduct the draw is almost complete. It is our hope that 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. More information will be sent out as it becomes available.

Sign-in System- This is a reminder that Bayside has a sign-in system in use. All visitors must report to the office and sign the visitor log. There are visitor tags and staff has been instructed to stop "non-tagged" people and ask them who they are looking for and if they have signed in at the office. Please be assured that the following steps are in place for the safety of your children.

Scent Free and Nut Free- Please be reminded that, as per provincial policy, Bayside Middle School is designated as a scent free and nut free environment. We have students and staff who have life threatening allergies which are triggered by strong scent and food items containing nuts. I would ask that parents monitor the scents their children wear and the food choices they are making. Thanks for your cooperation with this.

Robot Science- The winter session begins on January 16<sup>th</sup> and continues every Tuesday until March 27<sup>th</sup>. The cost of this program is \$207.00. Please contact Mr. Laskey for more information.

MedicAlert- Medic Alert is the most trusted, most recommended medical ID service provider in Canada. For more than 55 years, MedicAlert has protected the lives of over one million Canadians by offering exclusive services to those in need. The *No Child Without* charitable program, founded by MedicAlert in 2006, has protected over 50,000 students in the last 10 years and supported school officials to address concerns about students living with chronic medical conditions, Allergies Anaphylaxis, Asthma, Diabetes or special needs. This program provides children and students, attending participating schools, such as Bayside Middle School, one free MedicAlert medical ID and free MedicAlert service plan coverage between the age of 4 and up until their 14<sup>th</sup> birthday. To date, the *No Child Without* program is available across over 200 school boards, in over 6000 schools. For a more comprehensive list of conditions or simply learn more about the *No Child Without* program, visit [nochildwithout.ca](http://nochildwithout.ca)

International Students- Saint John will be welcoming some Grade 6 Columbian students in mid-March as a part of the International Student Program. These boys will be in the city for 12 weeks. We are looking for home stay families to support their stay. If you are interested in sharing your home to support their short time in Canada, please contact Maggie Power (AEI HomeStay Coordinator) at 506- 693-7447 or at 506 343-3575.

Mr. Laskey would like to celebrate the following individuals and groups for organizing activities during the month of December.

- Mrs. Judy Walsh and Mr. Kevin Dixon (retired teachers) for helping out with the student turkey dinner.
- Mrs. Sabin, Mrs. Welch, and their students for organizing a food drive in support of Romero House.
- Mr. Phinney and Ms. Arnold for coordinating the *Tell Them for Me* surveys.
- Mr. Steve Porter, Mr. Bill Walsh, Mrs. Judy Walsh, Mrs. Diane Rouse, Mr. Kevin Dixon, Mrs. Eileen LeBlanc and Mr. Francis LeBlanc (all retired Bayside Staff) for cooking turkey dinners for our current staff.
- Mr. Walsh and the Dance Committee for organizing the school dance in November
- Mr. Phinney for arranging the 100 plus students to see the *Christmas Carol* at the Imperial Theatre as a PBIS reward.
- Mr. McCarthy and the PBIS Committee for organizing the showing of *Home Alone* as a whole school reward.
- Mr. David Griffin, manager of Subway Bayside Drive for donating a six foot party sub to be awarded to the class winning an elimination draw. Mme. Schofield's students were the lucky winners.
- Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Pelletier for conducting *Beyond the Hurt* training with the following students:

Alan Khayt	Haydn McNabb	Grace Stewart
Emma Burke	Gillian LeBlanc	Kate Carr
Rylee McCauley	Kevin Pennell	Caleb Maher
Emma Daigle	David Strowbridge	Tyler Wallace
Grace Perry	Lauryn McCullough- Kenney	
- Mme. Cochenec, Mme. Landry, and the Recycling Committee for donating over \$600.00 to families and organizations in need.
- Mme. Hickey for organizing a used book drive. Over 20 boxes, containing more than 1300 books were delivered to St. John the Baptist School. The whole school was very excited to receive the delivery! Our students who were on hand were feeding off of the excitement and all of the *Me to We* members are very excited to get another service project started early in the new year.