

# Byngmount Beach Newsletter



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## BYNGMOUNT BEACH IS CLOSING

We have enclosed the important letter from our superintendent. This letter is the culmination of a three year process which involved our four communities. At all times our focus was on the students to ensure that we could meet the needs of your children and our families.

This is a time of reflection and looking forward for our community. Hopefully you are able to attend the meeting on Wednesday, December 2 at A.A. Martin to receive further information and to have some of your questions answered.

At Byngmount Beach we will work through the transitions that will happen. Please be assured that on a day to day basis, the success and support for our students are what we care about. Every day we will focus on that! For this year we have already many initiatives in place which focus on the coming changes.

It's hard to believe that we have only three weeks left till our Christmas holidays. The interviews are the official end to the term and I want to congratulate all our students on a very successful first term. We have seen growth and progress in the academic and social development of our students. The interview with your child's teacher is a great opportunity to discuss ways in which we can work together.

If you have any concerns about the coming changes or want to speak with me at the school, please call or stop by the office any time.

Steve Paas  
Principal

## SCHOOL COUNCIL

We postponed our last meeting in anticipation of the December 2 combined School Council meeting. We certainly are hoping that all parents can make that meeting—not just regular School Council members.

Please plan to attend our regular scheduled meeting on Wednesday, January 20, 2009! There will be lots to plan and we love to have community input!

## REPORT CARDS AND PARENT/ TEACHER INTERVIEWS

The first term report cards will be sent home on Monday, November 30. Parents are invited to attend Parent/Teacher Interviews on the evening of **Thursday, December 3rd** and Friday morning, December 4th. Please join us in working together to support your child's learning. Please note that there are no classes for students on **Friday, December 4th, 2009.**

## KISS AND RIDE SAFETY REMINDERS

With the winter weather please exercise extreme caution when dropping off and picking up your children. A few reminders: Park your vehicle in the parking lot if you need to wait.

- Do not stay parked in the Kiss and Ride Lane blocking other cars.
- If your children are small—bring them to the playground and pick them up.
- As you wait in your car please do not keep your vehicle running!



## LIBRARY NEWS

### NEW BOOKS!!

We have lots of new books in the library. On display will be the seasonal topics as well as books about our cultural celebrations.

The coming winter is a great time to start reading again. Together we can escape the “Winter Blahs” and reinforce the value of reading for our students.

We are looking forward to starting the MS-Read-a-thon in January where students track their reading and support a great cause!



### ROBIN HOOD AT BYNGMOUNT

On November 24th, Dufflebag Theatre Company performed our first Arts performance of the school year. We welcomed all the Lyndwood students as they actively participated in an engaging and interactive performance of ROBIN HOOD. It was tremendous to see a gym full of students so enthusiastic! (Thanks to the Readiness Centre who also joined us!)

## CHRISTMAS BASKETS—A CONSPIRACY OF LOVE

Every Christmas, Byngmount Beach P.S. staff and a group of community and corporate sponsors, support families from our school community. Christmas baskets contain various items including a *No Frills* food card, clothing and gifts for the children.

We have received financial support from the GS Medical Packaging, and various other sources who we will recognize in a later Newsletter.

We are very fortunate to live and work in such a caring and supportive community. Thank you to everyone involved for devoting the time, energy and financial support that makes this Christmas project such a success!

### TURKEY RAFFLE

Back by popular demand is the Annual School Council Turkey Raffle! Stop by the office and buy your tickets **for the 15 lb. turkey draw!** **Fill out your ballot: \$1– ticket or 3 for a Toonie!**

The draw will be held in the final week of December! Our thanks to Mr. Aggerholm who has donated the turkey (again)!



### HAVE YOU CHECKED OUR WEBSITE??

We are very excited about our new website. It's so easy to access and you are up to date every day! We have been adding to it every week. Check out an invitation to the grade 7/8 Dance competition! Here is what you do: Type in the following address and then add it to your favourites.

<http://schools.peelschools.org/1203>

And here's what your children will really like! Snow days will be posted as soon as they are announced on television and the radio!

## **Congratulations to the following Byngmount Beach students, staff and volunteers who will receive Recognition Certificates for the month of November!**

### **Mrs. Thampi**

#### **Kindergarten AM**

Rayan Radkov—being a hard worker and a good listener

Cece Han—following classroom rules and being a hard worker

Jessica Yau—practising writing and reading at the centres

### **Mrs. Thampi**

#### **Kindergarten PM**

Jaxon Lanktree—improved listening and reading skills

Katie Beauclaire—for participating in all the activities

Jonathen Deremo—for being helpful to his friends and for improved listening skills

#### **Kindergarten Helpers**

Nikolina Babic—helping Kindergarten students at the centres

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Karyna Hul Shakh—helping Kindergarten students at the centres

Shelby Yates—for making little booklets for Kindergarten Students

**Mrs. White**—for encouraging Kindergartens to zip their coats

**Mr. Michael**—supervising reading and assisting the teacher in the Kindergarten room.

### **Ms. Saunders—Grade 1/2**

Conner Ridout—improved academic efforts

Affrika aTufts—always a great helping hand in the classroom.

### **Ms. Nielsen—Grade 2/3**

Faris Haque—for being a co-operative member of our class (e.g. taking turns on the computer)

Heather Beauclaire—for being respectful to others during recess (e.g. praising her friends during a skipping game)

### **Ms. Porter—Grade 4/5**

Jacob Zakaib—demonstrating excellent sportsmanship in gym class

Rachel Stinis—improved work habits in class

### **Mr. Chekan—Grade 5/6**

Zianne Smith—exceptional Leadership Skills

Taylor Stinis—persevering with Math studies

Amna Malik—persevering with Math studies

Karyna Hul Shakh—improved effort in Math

### **Ms. Pottage—Grade 7/8**

Dwayne Reid—for persevering and completing all his homework

Colin Diaz—for persevering and completing all his homework

### **Mrs. Rath—French**

#### **Gr. 4/5**

Qendresa Rrahmani—pour bien participer

Ryan Spencer—pour finir ses devoirs

#### **Gr. 5/6**

Nikolina Burmazovic—pour bien écouter

Bobby Siromahov—pour être travailleur

#### **Gr. 7/8**

Leida Palatinus—pour être serviable

Abby Osmond—pour bien participer

### **Ms. Lulla—Library**

Mohammed Al-Inizi—for bringing his books in on time and taking such good care of the Library

Breanne Christopher—for bringing her books in on time and taking such good care of the Library

Affrika Tufts—for bringing her books in on time and taking such good care of the Library

**PARENTS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THE RECOGNITION ASSEMBLY IN THE  
GYM ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2 AT 9:00 a.m.**

#### **LUCKY DRAW – WIN FREE PIZZA**

**Kids:** get your parents to sign the slip below. Cut it out and return it to your teacher on Friday to be in the lucky pizza draw!! If your slip wins the lucky draw, you and your sisters/brothers will get a free pizza lunch!

Teachers: please return this slip to the office with your Friday morning attendance. I have received my November newsletter. My children's names and grades are:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Parent signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## STUDENT COUNCIL

by Jovan and Doris

We will have a Wacky Hair Day on Friday, November 27 so do something funky with your hair. In December we will be selling Candy Grams for Christmas. They are selling for 25 cents each or five for \$1. They will be sold at noon hour in room 202. Buy one for that special friend!

We are all looking forward to the upcoming winter break. Best wishes for the holidays from your Student Council.



### INSERTS INCLUDED WITH THIS NEWSLETTER:

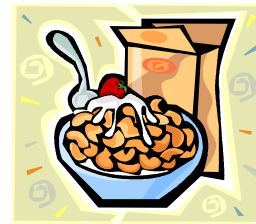
- Letter from the Superintendent for the new school in September 2010
- Closing schools due to bad weather
- Snow and ice—preventing slips
- December Calendar
- Prevent the flu
- Turkey Raffle

## VOLLEYBALL

Our girls and boys have been practising hard for the volleyball tournaments. Our senior boys teams played this week. Next week Tuesday, December 1, our girls' team plays their tournament. In spite of our small school, it is so great to be able to participate thanks to our coaches Ms. Pottage and Mr. Fung.

## BREAKFAST FOR KIDS

We have more students than ever joining us for our nutritious breakfast! Breakfast consists of cereal, milk or juice, toast, a fruit and a recess snack. All students are welcome!



**Thank you if you ordered from MacMillans. Please come to the school front lobby to pick up your frozen items between 2:00—7:00pm on Tuesday, December 1!!**

## HAVE A HAPPY WINTER BREAK!



### Be Active!

If there's snow, be sure to toboggan, build a snow family, cross country ski or snow shoe. Go skating at a local arena or outdoor rink. Take a walk around your neighbourhood to enjoy the holiday decorations. Go swimming or play basketball at a local community centre.

### Keep Learning Together!

Recommend that your child keep a diary—a journal of the family's activities. Take time every day for the whole family to read by themselves or together. Even 10 or 15 minutes is fine. Take your child to the local library. Have your child follow a favourite newspaper comic strip all week. Encourage your child to write holiday greetings or thank you cards to cousins, grandparents and friends.