



Bayview Secondary School

April 2018 Newsletter

Principal's Message

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Upcoming Dates

April 26: Mid-Semester 2 Report Card
April 26 – May 18: IB Examinations
May 4: P.A. Day
May 21: Victoria Day
June 11 – 12: EQAO Math
June 20 – 26: Examinations
June 27: Graduation Ceremony
June 27: Exam Review Day
June 28 – 29: P.A. Day

Do you ever wonder what the school staff does during Professional Activity Days and Staff Meetings?

We learn.

This year, the staff has been engaged in Professional Learning Teams that address one component (or more) of our School Improvement Plan for Student Achievement and Well Being (SIPSA). The Bayview SIPSA, like all schools, has 3 main components – Mathematics, Modern Learning, and Mental Health. We are also learning more about Equity, Innovation and Leadership. We have embraced the Bayview motto of "Friends Learning Together".

Here are some of the topics our Professional Learning Groups are investigating:

Resilience in the classroom.

Effective and respectful communications skills.

The relevance of math outside of the classroom.

Effective pathway and skill workshops for students.

Direct teaching of self-regulation in the ASD classroom.

Equitable Access to Co-op Placements for English Language Learners.

International music/songs and film for the French Language classroom.

Classroom activities linked to critical thinking and the inquiry model in Geography.

Strategies in the Drama Program to enhance student self-esteem produced by a balance of traits, enhance risk taking and decrease anxiety around speaking about feelings.

Creating classroom spaces dedicated to various aspects of the school improvement plan (i.e. mental health & well-being, heritage education, pathways, etc.).

Best practices of the 4R Physical and Health Education Curriculum and how to nurture positive mental health in both the health room and the gymnasium.

Authentic experiential learning opportunities to support IB learners.

How to self-identify test taking anxiety and finding strategies to cope with it and improve performance.

Modern Learning and the History Classroom.

TIFF recommended short films and print and/or electronic resources on mental health and well-being.

At our April staff meeting, all teachers participated in workshops that were led by students. This was the description for the learning team that helped to organize this incredible experience:

We have embarked on a journey to create workshops where teachers can hear the voices of Bayview from the individual students that make up the voice. By doing so, we hope to provide the students with agency and the teachers with perspectives on how to better understand the diverse and changing student voices of Bayview.

As you can see by the topics, the staff at Bayview are dedicated to the achievement and well-being of all students. We will continue to work with you, our parents, the students, the supports at YRDSB and within our community to ensure that we are providing the best possible education for each and every student. Thank you for your continued support.

Brian Schouten, Principal

Bravo Bayview !!

2018 York Region Science and Technology Fair

April 7, 2018



Hosted by York University
at Stephen Lewis Secondary School

On Saturday, April 7, 2018, 190 students from 50 schools from around York Region participated in the York Region Science and Technology Fair.

The Bayview Students below were award winners of the 2018 fair.

Bronze Medal - Nazanin Soghrati, *Birth of the Third Dimension*

Gold Medal - Shirothie Puwaneswaran, *We Are Stressed Out!*

In addition, Shirothie is a Canada Wide Science Fair finalist who will be representing York Region May 16-18th in Ottawa.

Congratulations!

The RBC Black History Month Student Essay Competition

RBC asked high school students applying to Canadian colleges or universities to tell them their stories of how black Canadians have helped define Canada's heritage. Students from across the country sent in their essays. Congratulations goes to **Xuesi Athena Zhong!** She was selected as a \$500 scholarship winner.

Student Voice – Minister's Student Advisory Council



The Minister's Student Advisory Council is a group of approximately 60 students from all parts of the publicly funded education system and regions across the province. These students share their ideas and provide advice to the minister on a variety of topics regarding Ontario's publicly-funded education system. MSAC is a place where all students have a voice and where they will be heard.

Two students from Bayview S.S. were named to the Minister's Student Advisory Council, **Sharon He** and **Queena Yu**. Congratulations!



Bayview's Programming Teams Place 1st in the York Region Programming Contest

Bayview's teams placed first in the York Region Programming Contest on Friday March 23, 2018. In this grueling 3-hour competition, programmers coded solutions to very challenging problems.

Computer Studies



In the overall competition, Bayview's Team placed first.

I-r: Mr. Anandarajan, Simon Ou, Jim Gao, Kevin Wen and Devin Lin.



In the Girls Division, Bayview's team placed first.

I-r: Jennifer Chen, Sherry Sang, Olivia Dragoev and Angel Yuan



All the four teams representing Bayview placed in the top 10 in York Region, which was a very strong showing by the Bayview Teams.

Congratulations teams!

English

Bayview's English department has been very busy this semester!

The English department continued on its archetypal heroic mission to create new and innovative ways to teach students how to read and write. While students still studied Shakespeare, they did so by not only reading the plays, but by creating their own productions (*King Lear* as the *Godfather?*), studying various media productions of the plays (I didn't know

Romeo and Juliet was a musical!), and learning about what life was really like back in Elizabethan England (Did they really have to eat that?).

Our IB teachers have been working diligently to prepare their students for their final high school exams (gasp, where did the time go?!).

Our grade 10 teachers successfully prepared our students for the OSSLT, which took place in April.

Our students have participated in a number of creative writing contests, including the Era Banner, Richmond Hill Library and Stephen Leacock contests. Who would have known how motivating winning money could be for students' creativity? (hmmm...) Contest results still pending...

This year we also introduced a new course to our students: Science Fiction and Fantasy. Students have studied how fantastical worlds get created, how Star Trek is better than Star Wars (or vice versa...the debate continues), how to prevent the end of the world, and how important our imagination is in our everyday lives – all important life skills as our students endeavour to boldly go where no one has gone before!

The department focus for our school year has been to help our students become better critical thinkers. Students have learned that sometimes asking the right question is more

important than knowing the right answer, that evaluating from where we get our information is often more important than the information itself, and that listening to and recognizing diverse opinions makes us all more engaged citizens of the world. Becoming critical thinkers in a world where the terms “fake news” and “alternative facts” are used on a daily basis, and where more people get their “news” from social media than from verifiable sources is perhaps the most important life skill our students can learn.

This year we have had the pleasure of adding Ms. Jassal and Mr. Lam to our department, and we await the return of Ms. Kirshenblat and Ms. Iaconetti who are both on maternity leaves.

Does it sound like it was a busy year? We wouldn't have it any other way!

Guidance and Career Education

Reporting to OUAC and OCAS

Graduating students received on Friday, a copy of their Credit Counselling Summary that includes their mid-semester marks. Students who do not have a home room were asked to pick up their Credit Counselling Summary in Guidance by the end of the day.

Please review with your child to make sure the information is correct and matches the information on OUAC or OCAS. When mid-semester marks are posted check the Grade Report to ensure that the marks are accurate. Marks will be submitted to OUAC and OCAS on April 25th. If a student makes a course change after April 25th, Guidance will manually correct OUAC or OCAS.

Students taking a private school course must ensure the private school submits the mid-semester mark.

Scholarships

District 16 OSSTF Status of Women is giving two scholarships. Students must complete the following:

1. Application Form
2. A reflection of 500-700 words. If it is more or less than 500-700 the committee will not look at it.
3. Submit a Credit Counselling Summary
4. Letter of recommendation by a teacher

Students must submit to Guidance no later than **Tuesday, May 15th**. If you have any questions, please email Ms. Bianco at angie.bianco@yrdsb.ca.

Grade 12 students were emailed about several scholarship opportunities. Please remind them to check their GAPPS account.

Leadership Opportunities

Interested in Business? There is a weekend camp students can apply to. Please see the website for more information <http://campenterprise.ca/>

McMaster Leadership Camp - CLAY

CLAY is a 3-day, 2-night conference that empowers high school students to discover their leadership potential. This year CLAY is taking place on Friday May 25th to Sunday May 27th, 2018 at Camp Trillium in Waterford, Ontario. Students will be residing in cabins on the campground and will be supervised by McMaster Student Leaders.

Youth will have the opportunity to share and expand their knowledge and leadership skills through interactive small group sessions, motivational keynote speakers, and community-building activities. Session topics including teamwork & communication, mental health, social responsibility, and stress & time management will be emphasized in a supportive, empowering setting. Beyond these individual takeaways, we hope that attending CLAY will help to inspire a sense of belonging in the community within the youth who attend. You can also find more information about CLAY by visiting: <https://www.msumcmaster.ca/services-directory/1-clay>

CLAY registration is now open! Students can register as a delegate for a cost of \$165 + HST. In past years, some schools have also sponsored students to attend. If your school would be interested in doing so, we would love to continue this conversation. Additionally, CLAY is able to provide some partial/full sponsorship, as we recognize that this cost may make the conference not accessible to all students. Students wishing to attend may email the CLAY Conference Coordinator, Rachel Persaud, by e-mail at clay@msu.mcmaster.ca if they require sponsorship.

The link for registration is:

<https://www.msumcmaster.ca/services-directory/1-clay/take-survey/559> There is also more information about the conference at this site.

Applying to the United States

PREPSKILLS is having a U.S. Expo on Saturday April 28th at Roy Thomson Hall. Admission is free. Meet with American universities, NCAA, admissions and financing experts and more.

To register visit www.uscollegeexpo.com.

Students are always welcome to book an appointment, via Teach Assist, with their guidance counsellor:

Counsellor	Student <u>last</u> name starts with
Ms. Garito (Subject Head)	A to E
Ms. Jarrett	F to J
Mr. Masciello	K to L
Mr. Mondal	M to S
Ms. Won	T to Z

French & International Languages

French As A Second Language & International Languages



Do the projects we design prepare students for the real world?

The study of Languages & Culture deepens critical and creative thinking and the understanding of identity and our complex diversity.

A GLOBAL CITIZEN

Multilingual

Empathetic

Open-Minded

Curious

Equitable

Peace Maker

Responsible

Courageous

Intercultural Understanding

International-Mindedness





Students in the French program joined over 8000 GTA elementary and secondary schools students and teachers for **Cinéfranco's 2018 Youth Film Festival** held in early March.

The films reflect the richness and diversity of filmmakers from Canada, France, Belgium, Switzerland, Algeria, Morocco, Tunisia, Sénégal and other French-speaking countries. Welcomed by Marcelle Lean, Founder, Executive & Artistic Director of Cinéfranco, students learned about the role of the film critic and how to write a critique in French based on the film they watched - *Les enfants de la chance*.



The Regional French Speaking Contest was a huge success for Bayview students who will be competing at the provincial level in the **34th Annual Concours et Festival d'Art Oratoire** to be held on **Saturday, May 5, 2018**, at **Glendon Campus**, of York University in Toronto.

Congratulations to our students and all the best in the upcoming Provincials:

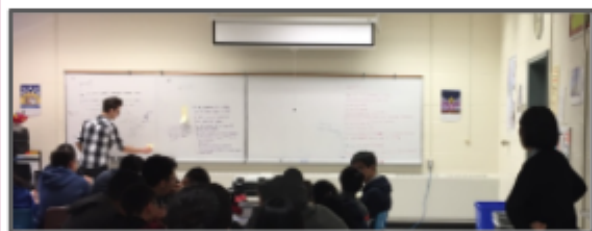
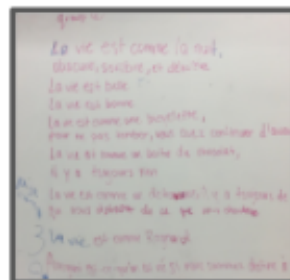
Grade 9 - Ivan Ovchinnikov
Grade 10 - Nazanin Soghrati
Grade 10 - Sairamya Kurapati
Grade 11 - Darren Young Shing
Grade 11 - Tanya Nguyen



Poet-In-Residence, Phoebe Wang

Phoebe Wang, a poet and educator based in Toronto, came to Bayview as a **Poet-In-Residence** providing workshops for students in **Grade 10, 11 and 12 French**. Phoebe shared poems from her debut collection of poetry, *Admission Requirements*, as well as a variety of poems in French by French-Canadian authors.

The Poets-In-Residence project offers teachers and students a unique opportunity to connect to contemporary Canadian poets working in a broad range of styles and approaches that brings poetry to life. Phoebe inspired students to write their own poetry and understand the various ways to interpret poetry.





FRENCH

POETRY IN VOICE NATIONAL FINALS 2018

The Poetry In Voice competition was created to foster a love of poetry among Canadian students. Now in its eighth year, the contest featured top-scoring students from across the country.

Poetry In Voice announced the 24 finalists for this year's National Finals Awards, chosen from over 10,000 Grade 9 to 12 students from 1,300 schools across the country. Students across the country recited poetry to compete for \$25,000 in prize money for themselves and their school libraries.

The year's jury of poets includes: **Éric Charlebois**, **Liz Howard**, **Canisia Lubrin**, **Pierre Nepveu**, **Adam Sol** and **Erika Soucy**. The event was hosted by [CBC Radio's](#) Gill Deacon, on April 19, 2018 at the Isabel Bader Theatre in Toronto.

Congratulations to Bayview's Grade 11 student, **Michelle Cheng**, for placing as 1 of the top 6 contestants in the Bilingual stream!



Poetry in Voice National Finals 2018
Michelle Cheng
Bilingual Stream



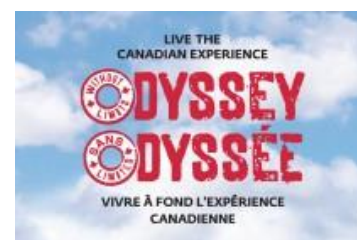
Students are encouraged to spend a summer or a semester in Québec, France, Switzerland or Spain. Some programs, such as the **YMCA Work Experience** and **EXPLORE** are funded by the Federal Government. Please [click](#) any of the symbols on this page for more information about these programs.



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DES ECHANGES EDUCATIFS**



DESTINATION CLIC



SPANISH

As one of the most widely spoken languages of the world, students are encouraged to study Spanish.

Cuisine, music, customs, traditions, ancient civilizations, festivals and more are explored in Spanish classes at Bayview. Great artists, writers, world explorers, film makers and inventors are studied at all levels along with their extraordinary masterpieces.

Prepare for an adventure to Peru, Spain or Guatemala. Study Spanish for a ticket to the world!



LAISSEZ LES BONS TEMPS ROULER!

On May 15, as part of the Equity & Inclusive Education Symposium, **MOSAIC 2018**, students of French will have an opportunity to explore Francophone culture through music and dance with French Folk Musicians, Bill Russell, Chris Rawlings, and Peter Jellard.



ALLONS-Y!



Technological Studies



Mr. Tammik is pleased to announce that four of his Grade 10 ComTech students at Bayview placed 3rd in the recent York Region Paramedic Services, CPR Video Contest! The students' creativity and skills have helped spread a valuable message that can save lives.

Several other Grade 10 students also learned recently that their video on climate change has been long listed for the Kimberly Foundation's 2018 FOCUS! Climate Change Video Contest.



DR. BETTE STEPHENSON CENTRE FOR LEARNING INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGES PROGRAM

INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGES PROGRAM- SECONDARY CREDIT PROGRAM 2018-2019

Why Study International Languages at High School?

Language is our connection with our community and the world. Through language we identify the world around us, express our concerns and hopes, and share our experiences and ideas.

So what are you waiting for?! Now is the time to take advantage of this opportunity and register for a YRDSB International Language CREDIT course of your choice! We offer CREDIT courses in 15 languages at 4 high schools.

Learning another language...

- can enhance intellectual functioning
- strengthens first language skills and facilitates learning additional languages
- creates pride in one's own cultural background and better understanding of other cultures
- enhances career options (source: <http://www.ilea.ca> 03/11/15)

COURSE	Level 1 (Grade 9/10)	Level 2 (Grade 11)	Level 3 (Grade 12)	SCHOOL LOCATION			
		Prerequisite: Level 1	Prerequisite: Level 2	MIDDLEFIELD C.I.	RICHMOND HILL H.S.	THORNLEA S.S.	UNIONVILLE H.S.
ARABIC	LYA BD	LYA CU	LYA DU		Saturday		
CANTONESE	LKC BD	LKC CU	LKC DU	Saturday		Saturday	Tuesday
FARSI	LYF BD	LYF CU	LYF DU			Saturday	
GERMAN	LWG BD	LWG CU	LWG DU		Saturday		
GREEK	LBG BD	LBG CU	LBG DU		Saturday		
GUJARATI	LIG BD	LIG CU	LIG DU	Saturday			
JAPANESE	LKJ BD	LKJ CU	LKJ DU			Saturday	Tuesday
KOREAN	LKK BD	LKK CU	LKK DU		Saturday		
MANDARIN SIMPLIFIED	LKB BD	LKB CU	LKB DU	Saturday		Saturday	Tuesday
MANDARIN TRADITIONAL	LKM BD	LKM CU	LKM DU	Saturday		Saturday	
MANDARIN SIMPLIFIED ADVANCED PLACEMENT			LKB DUE	Saturday			
PUNJABI	LIP BD	LIP CU	LIP DU	Saturday			
RUSSIAN	LRR BD	LRR CU	LRR DU		Saturday		
SPANISH	LWS BD	LWS CU	LWS DU		Saturday		
TAMIL	LIT BD	LIT CU	LIT DU	Saturday			
URDU	LIU BD	LIU CU	LIU DU	Saturday			

Register online via *Career Cruising* commencing May 1st, 2018.

- Once you have registered, print a sign-off sheet and get your parents to sign for parental approval
- Students who have pre-registered in class will not need to register again in September
- Attend the first class according to the above schedule and bring your signed Career Cruising Sign-off Sheet
- Course locations will be posted in the foyer of the International Languages school on the first day of class