



BEYNON FIELDS P.S.

Community Newsletter

September 20, 2024

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Please see below for some important updates.

UPCOMING DATES

- September 26-Terry Fox Event
- September 27-PA Day **No School**

Update Re-organization of Classes

In order to comply with the Ministry of Education's Class Size Compliance requirement, our Grade 2/3 French Immersion split class will be reorganised. Families of affected students have been informed. At this time, we anticipate no further class changes. Welcome Mme Allen-Heemskerk to the position of Primary-Junior Prep and Music and Mme Butara to the position of English and Math to the Grade 6-7 cohort.

Meet the Teacher/Curriculum Night - October 9

We are excited to invite you to our upcoming Curriculum Night on **Wednesday, October 9th**! This event is designed primarily for parents to learn about our programs and support your child's education. While we welcome children to attend, we kindly ask that parents supervise their children throughout the evening. To ensure a productive experience for everyone, we encourage families to make arrangements for child care if possible, as we want to keep the focus on the presentations. Thank you for your understanding, and we look forward to seeing you there!

Format for the evening:

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| • 6:00 - 6:30 pm | Session A |
| • 6:30 - 6:35 pm | Travel time |
| • 6:35 - 7:05 pm | Session B |

Session A and Session B are the same.

***Please note: You do not need to sign up for a session. There will be two opportunities for families to meet the teachers, in the event you have more than one child attending BFPS.*

Any parent/guardian who would like more information specific to their individual child's progress is asked to reach out to teachers via phone, agendas, edsby, or email as there will not be an opportunity to discuss individual students this evening.

School Council Meeting and Elections

Once the last curriculum night session has wrapped up, all parents/guardians are invited to the library on the second floor for a school council meeting and elections. It will begin at 7:10 pm.

School Lunches

The following is the [School Council Flyer for School Lunches](#).

Renewed Computer Technology Fall Applications–Now Open!

Please see this [flyer](#) for more information.



Terry Fox Event

Our school is so excited to take part in this year's Terry Fox Run on September 26th. Let's continue the legacy of one of Canada's greatest heroes. Please forward donations to <https://schools.terryfox.ca/70346>

Food Drive

We are thrilled to announce that our school will participate in this year's Food Drive. According to the Richmond Hill Food Bank, 3300 individuals visited the bank every month in 2022. This number has skyrocketed after the pandemic. Families can donate the following items: boxed cereal, cookies, granola bars, crackers, cake and muffin mix, etc...Please note

that the bank will not accept; perishable items, items that were opened or previously used, items that are about to expire.

Supporting East Asian Students Family Engagement Evening

Please follow the [link](#) for more information on this wonderful evening supporting East Asian families.

School Start-Up Package and Forms

School start-up packages have been sent to your child's gapps account. Guardians are asked to review this information, sign and return completed forms. These include:

- Internet Policy and Technology use
- Lunch time agreements for students to follow when going home for lunch

- School Start-Up Permissions Form
- Use of Student Personal Information Consent Form
- Faith Request for Curriculum Accommodations Form
- School Council Candidate Nomination Form

Follow the instructions at this link <https://www2.yrdsb.ca/node/2754> for steps to completing the forms. It is important that these forms are completed as soon as possible at the start of the school year as they contain important information and permissions.

HEALTH CARE PLANS

Please remember that our school is a nut free environment. Please do not pack snacks or lunches that contain peanuts or tree nuts.

If your child has medical needs, please ensure that the appropriate health care plan is completed and returned to our office before September 19, 2022. Click on the health care plan that corresponds to your child's medical situation and return the form(s) to school. Completed forms can also be email to rose.kipling@yrdsb.ca

[Diabetes Health Care Plan](#)

[Asthma Health Care Plan](#)

[Anaphylaxis Health Care Plan](#)

[Epilepsy/Seizure Disorder Health Care Plan](#)

[Administration of Medication Form](#)

LUNCHTIME CHESS

Beynon Fields is proud to offer a lunchtime chess program through Chess n' Math Association beginning this October. Families can register their child for the 7-session program which carries a cost of \$125 for 8 weeks. Registration and payment go directly to the Chess n' Math Association. For more information and to register please visit this website: <https://chess-math.org/beynon-fields-fall2024>

SAFETY WEEK

The York Region School Board is committed to ensuring the safety of students, staff, and visitors in the event of an emergency situation. As such, during Safety Week (September 23 to 27, 2024) and throughout the school year, schools in our Board practise various safety drills, including Fire Drills, Lockdown Drills, Hold and Secure Drills and the newly established Bomb Threat Drill. It is critical that all members of our school community become familiar with emergency protocols as they are designed to keep all of us safe at school. Please refer to [Board Policy #669.0](#) for more information about Emergency Preparedness and Crisis Management.

Practising drills may create some anxiety for some students. If you are concerned about how these situations might impact the mental health and well-being of your child, please contact school administrators, as we have school mental health professionals available to support your child. General Supports for Emotional Well-Being:

- 310-COPE: 905-310-COPE (2673) or 1-855-310-COPE (2673) – available 24/7
- [KidsHelpPhone](#): 1-800-668-6868, text 686868 – available 24/7
- Mental Health Helpline: 1-866-531-2600 – available 24/7
- [York Hills Help Phone Line](#): 905-503-9561 Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. for children and youth (0-18 years) and their parents, caregivers or adult supporters.
- [Trans Lifeline](#)
- [Black Youth Helpline](#)
- [Naseeha Helpline/](#)
- [2SLGBTQ+ Youthline](#)

Sincerely,

BFPS Administration

Sofia Papadatos – Principal

Lara Kheir – Vice Principal