

# BAYSIDE MIDDLE SCHOOL

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## Bayside Bulletin- March 2022

Greetings- As we approach March Break, we are happy to see some of the restrictions we faced daily due to Covid-19 have been relaxed. We are waiting for further direction from Public Health about the next set of restrictions to be lifted on March 14<sup>th</sup>. It has been a tough two years and we appreciate your cooperation in having your children prepared to come to school during a pandemic and following the safety expectations laid out for students and staff.

Home Reports- The second home report will be issued on April 11<sup>th</sup>. This term, we will again offer Parent-Teacher Interviews in a virtual format. Booking information will be shared shortly before reports cards are issued. 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, April 13<sup>th</sup>, from 4:00- 7:00pm and Thursday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00- 11:00am. Students will not have school on April 14<sup>th</sup> as teachers will be conducting parent interviews in the morning and attending professional development activities in the afternoon.

March 16<sup>th</sup>- All students will be invited to attend a Virtual Anti-Racism Presentation hosted by our Partners at Get Real.

March 25<sup>th</sup>- There will be no school for students on Friday, March 25<sup>th</sup>, as teachers have professional learning on this day. Teachers will also be preparing home reports.

Specialty Changes- With the beginning of Term 3 on March 28<sup>th</sup>, students will begin a new specialty (either Music, Art, or Tech). Students going to Art during the last term are asked to have a sketchbook, pencils, eraser, glue stick, pencil crayons/markers for the first class.

Enrichment Day-Our annual Enrichment Day activities will be held on March 4<sup>th</sup>. Students will have the opportunity to participate in fun events which extend beyond the classroom. Bingo, on-line trivia, Breakout, Minute to Win It, and Tug of War are the scheduled activities. Many students will win gift cards for their favorite restaurants or stores.

STOMP Update- Students are invited to participate in Theme Days during the week of February 28<sup>th</sup>- March 4<sup>th</sup>. There is no cost to participate...it is just for fun.

Here's the schedule:

February 28<sup>th</sup>- Jersey Day

March 1<sup>st</sup>- PJ Day

March 2<sup>nd</sup>- Tie Dye Day

March 3<sup>rd</sup>- Wacky Socks

March 4<sup>th</sup>- Team Color Day

In addition to the themes of each day, students are invited to wear their favorite hat this week.

Heritage Fair- Many of our students have been working on Heritage Fair projects. This activity is taking a virtual format again this year. The school fair will be in late March/Early April. Winners will have an opportunity to participate in a regional fair later this Spring.

## **Bayside Broncos Athletics**

**Badminton** – Bayside had an amazing season after a 2-year delay. We had 42 students on our badminton team this year. We had 30 students advance to the Saint John Regional Finals Feb 28-Mar 2 at MNS. Here are their ranks both in Zones and Regionals. In Regionals our doubles teams made Bayside history capturing 4 out of the 6 titles, taking the top two spots in 3 divisions and winning 8 out of a possible 12 medals. There was a “sea of blue” left for semis and finals. **AMAZING JOB BRONCOS!**

ZONE TOP 3 FINISHERS VS MNS, PES AND FH			SAINT JOHN REGIONAL MEDALIST RESULTS
Singles	Doubles	Mixed Doubles	
<b>Grade 6 Boys</b> Jaidyn Ayers 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Grade 6 Boys</b> Cleber Salvador & Castiel Vispo 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Grade 6</b> Kyle Scott & Anna Pitman 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b><u>Bronze (3<sup>rd</sup> in city)</u></b> Gr 6 girls doubles Olivia D and Lily M
<b>Grade 6 Girls</b>	<b>Grade 6 Girls</b> Williame Addu & Sabina Callangan 3 <sup>rd</sup> Olivia Duguay & Lily Moriarty 1 <sup>st</sup>		
<b>Grade 7 Boys</b> Isaac Doucette 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Grade 7 Boys</b> Carter Brideau & Cooper McCain 2 <sup>nd</sup> Nick Hodden & Connor Leblanc 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Grade 7</b> Isaac Doucette & Ava Chaisson 1 <sup>st</sup>  Cohen Doiron & Taylor Train 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b><u>Silver (runner-up)</u></b> Gr 6 boys singles Jaiden A Gr 7 girls singles Taylor T Gr 8 girls singles Aiseema G Gr 7 boys doubles Cooper M and Carter B Gr 7 girls doubles Ella C and Jelena P Gr 8 girls doubles Paula D and Jordan M Gr 8 boys doubles Nathan S and Jayden L
<b>Grade 7 Girls</b> Taylor Train 1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Grade 7 Girls</b> Ava Chaisson & Addy Doyle 1 <sup>st</sup> Jelena Pinzon & Ella Cosman 2 <sup>nd</sup>		
<b>Grade 8 Boys</b> Cole Comeau 2 <sup>n</sup>	<b>Grade 8 Boys</b> Kyle Raid/Kayden Lefrancois & Keenan Lowe 1 <sup>st</sup> Nathan Salamone & Jayden Leaman 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Grade 8</b> Keenan Lowe & Hannah Mitchell 1 <sup>st</sup>	
<b>Grade 8 Girls</b> Aiseemea Gogoi 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Grade 8 Girls</b> Rebecca Gillis & Hannah Mitchell 1 <sup>st</sup> Paula Debly & Morgan Shonaman/Jordan Macdonald 2 <sup>nd</sup>		<b><u>Gold (SJ Regional Champs)</u></b> Gr 6 boys doubles Cleber S and Castiel V Gr 7 girls doubles Ava C and Addy D Gr 8 girls doubles Rebecca G and Hannah M Gr 8 boys doubles Keenan L and Kyle R

*Thanks to Mr. Shephard, Mrs. Hills, and Ms. Cosman for their time, commitment and expertise in getting the most out of our athletes.*

**Cheerleading** – the team has continued to prepare for provincials starting back Feb 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Volleyball**- Bayside will have roughly 50 students in grade 6, 7 and 8 who will wear the blue and white on one of our 4 teams.

**Varsity Boys and Varsity Girls team** are made up of 12 players each. These teams typically are our more experienced players in grade 7 and 8. Over the past 11 years Bayside captured 13 titles between our Varsity Boys and Girls team so we take huge pride in our commitment to excellence and hope your child can be a part of the growth and love for this sport.

**Coaches Varsity Boys:** Mr. Shephard, Mr. Thibodeau, Mr. Goguen, Mr. Lui

**Coaches Varsity Girls:** Mrs. Gillis, Faculty advisers: Mrs. Hills, Mrs. Kelly

**JV Boys and Girls teams** are made up of 12-15 players each. These teams typically are developmental teams that introduce them to team strategies and improve their overall skills. They are made up of students in grade 6, 7, or 8 who are new to the sport.

**Coaches JV Boys:** Ms. Denton and Ms. Noel, Faculty adviser: Mr. Long

**Coaches JV Girls:** Ms. McLaughlin, Mr. Patterson

***SCHOOL PRIDE CONTINUES:*** Coaches Heather Gillis, Katelyn Denton, Kyle Thibodeau, Josh Goguen, Alex Lui and Genee Noel are all former Broncos who were exceptional athletes for us and went on to play or coach at a higher level. Thanks for giving back to Bayside. Practices/clinics have been running since Feb 22 to prepare them for tryouts.

**Final tryouts will be:**

**March 14<sup>th</sup> (Monday) Varsity Girls**

**March 15 (Tuesday) Varsity Boys**

**March 14<sup>th</sup> (Monday) 1<sup>st</sup> cuts, March 17<sup>th</sup> (Thursday) final cuts JV girls**

**March 15<sup>th</sup> 1st cuts (Tuesday), March 16<sup>th</sup> (Wednesday) final cuts for JV boys**

**Congratulations-**Liam Mason, Austin Winchester, Anna Daley, Dylan Chaisson, and Cole Comeau were the latest winners in the Yearbook Giveaway. In addition to receiving a free book, they each will get a refund and be featured on the February page of the yearbook. Thanks to all who met the February 25<sup>th</sup> deadline. Unfortunately, there will be no more orders taken moving forward.

**Remembrance Day Poster Contest-** Once again, our school was successful in the Remembrance Day Poster Contest sponsored by the Royal Canadian Legion. Thanks to all who entered a submission Here is the winner's list for Bayside:

Josh Hope- Second Place- Grade 8

Georgia Pitman- Third Place- Grade 6

Leah Sherwood- Third Place- Grade 6

Ms. McDermott- Poppy Appreciation Award

**Cafeteria-** Chartwell's plans on resuming cafeteria services on Monday, March 21<sup>st</sup>. We will provide more information once this is confirmed.

**French Oral Proficiency Assessment-**Every two years, selected Grade 6s are chosen to participate in an oral assessment of their French skills. Bayside has over 50 students who will participate virtually. These students have been notified of their dates and times.

**Community Garden-** It won't be long before gardening season kicks in again. Bayside is very fortunate to have one of the best gardens in the city. We need help to keep our garden thriving. If you would like to help get the garden ready for the spring, please contact Samara Carvell at [samara.carvell@horizonnb.ca](mailto:samara.carvell@horizonnb.ca)

**Parking-** Please be reminded of our parking procedures. After school, parents are not to park in front of or beside the school when picking up children. This interferes with our buses...especially in the winter. You may park on Courtenay Avenue or in the lower parking lot facing Bayside Drive. Please be reminded that the lower parking lot is limited to two lanes of parking....one facing the school and one facing Bayside Drive. Drivers need the space to back out or pull in. We thank you for your attention to these safety issues.

**Moving Forward-** With many restrictions set to be removed, it is our hope that some sense of normalcy returns. We are back to some in-person clubs such as Youth Group and GSA. We have had the return of Badminton and Cheerleading. We expect to move forward with four Volleyball teams and a track club. It is nice to think of the possibility of salvaging some of the activities that we have always been proud to offer. Thanks to all staff and volunteers who make these events happen.

