



Byron Somerset

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May 2022 Newsletter

Dear Byron Somerset Families,

We hope everyone is enjoying the sunshine and longer days. A huge thank you to students and families for supporting our Book Fair Fundraiser. We want to thank Mr. Thomson and Intermediate helpers for organizing and making this event a success!

We are excited to host an interactive presentation: *Understanding Online Harms Supporting Young People* featuring **Dr. Kaitlynn Mendes**, Associate Professor of Sociology, Canada Research Chair in Inequality and Gender, Western University on May 10 from 7-8 pm. "Through an interactive presentation, Dr. Mendes, school staff, and parents will be examining how to best support young people, schools, and the parenting community to ensure young people can have healthy relationships with each other and the technology they use". Please register using the [link](#) and QR code. We look forward to parents and guardians joining us in the gym for this event.



Thank you,

Marie Merrimen

Principal

Upcoming Events

May 4- TVPIC Virtual Session
May 6- Gr 7 Vaccinations
May 10- Community Event @ Byron Somerset
May 11- Pizza Day
May 13- Kick Off- Jump Rope for Heart
May 16-Popcorn Day
May 25- Pizza Day
May 25-31- Gr 3 & 6 EQAO
May 25- Track & Field
May 26- Dental Screening
May 31- Byron Pizza Night
May 31- Backwards Day
June 1- Pizza Day



**Byron Somerset
P.S.**

ADOPT-A-SCHOOL PIZZA NIGHT
Tuesday April 26, 2022
Tuesday May 31, 2022
Tuesday June 14, 2022

Treat your family to some of the best pizza around as **Byron Pizza** will be generously donating **\$5.00** from each purchase of the **Family Special** back to **Byron Somerset**.

When you call to place your order, simply state that you're supporting **Byron Somerset**.

Family Special:

2 Medium or 2 Large Pizzas with 2 toppings on each pizza, plus one of the following options:

- #1. Large Caesar Salad
- #2. Small Garlic Strips
- #3. Two litre Coke product

Medium: \$30.99 Large: \$39.99

Call 519-472-0310



Updates from School Council

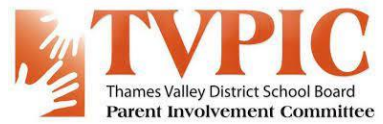
The London Food Truck Association and Byron Somerset are teaming up for a night of food and fun!

Join us on Tuesday June 7th from 5:00pm – 8:00pm as we host the London Food Trucks at our school. 10% of all sales will be donated back to the school. Bring your family and friends and enjoy some good food for a good cause!

Here is a list of all the trucks that will be on site:

- Big Daddy Bacon – All things Bacon. Pulled Pork, Back Bacon, legendary Bacon Shots, Walking Taco, Appetizers, Beverages (gluten free and vegetarian options)
- Rocky Mountain Pizza - handmade Stone Oven Pizza, Panzerotti, Schwarma, Chicken and Rice, Fries, Poutines, Beverages (halal, vegetarian, gluten-free options)
- New Leaf - Entirely Plant Based handcrafted menu. Fresh and local organic ingredients offer a unique experience. Street food that includes Beet Burgers, BBQ Brisket, Buddha Bowls, Wraps, Poutine, Beverages and more (gluten free options available)
- Mr. Cool Ice Cream - serving up Shaws Ice Cream, Milkshakes, Vegan/Dairy Free Sorbet

Thames Valley Parent Involvement Committee (TVPIC) in collaboration with the TVDSB Mental Health portfolio, is excited to share a virtual family engagement event on Wednesday, May 4, 2022, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. TVDSB is excited to be hosting Dr. Daphne Korczak from Sick Kids Hospital in Toronto. Dr. Korczak is the Principal Investigator of a collaborative study to understand how public health measures have impacted families. More information (including the link to the LIVE event) is available on the TVPIC website. [Link](#)



Cultural Corner

Eid Al-Fitr

May 2-3: Eid Al-Fitr is a Muslim celebration to mark the end of Ramadan. This day is celebrated with feasts, gifts, and prayers.

Asian Heritage Month and Jewish Heritage Month: May is a month to celebrate these cultures and learn more about their important contributions throughout Canadian history



TVDSB Virtual Event

Let's connect and celebrate the ways in which the arts continue to support mental health and well-being.

Celebrate the **Arts**, Mental Health & Well-Being
Join us for a **Virtual #heARTofMentalHealth** Event

DATE: Tuesday, May 31 TIME: 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
LINK: <https://sites.google.com/gotvdsb.ca/tvinnovates/heartofmentalhealth>

HOSTED BY London's celebrated community connector and stand-up comedian Veronica Antipolo!

FEATURING:

- VERONICA ANTIPOLO** (Image: Veronica Antipolo performing)
- SUNDAY AJAX**
Inspirational spoken word poetry from the ethereal pages of Sunday Ajax
- KEVIN CLEMENTS**
An opportunity to move and groove with Kevin Clements
- DONALD WAUGH**
A musical walk around the block with the one-man band, Donald Waugh
- ALLAN PAO**
Dancers Allan Pao with La Compagnie de Danse with three students from Saunders Secondary School and one from London South Collegiate Institute
- CONNOR MORAND**
Musician Connor Morand and 3 students from Clark Road Secondary School
- AMSA YARO**
Visual Artist Amsa Yaro and a student from Montcalm Secondary School



Home Connections in Mathematics

Math Trails!



Now that the warm weather is here, it is a great time to go for a walk or a bike ride and explore the environment around you. While exploring, stop at different spots and find the math along the way. Get outside and enjoy some physical activity, cooperate, and learn in a fun way that helps students see how math is everywhere around them. Try these activities to get you started!

Activities



Estimate how many hands tall a fence is. Now measure how many hands. Do you get a different number with kid hands and adult hands? Why are these numbers different?



Run and JUMP! Who jumped the farthest/shortest?



Look for shapes- how many different shapes can you find on your walk? Name them, talk about what makes a triangle a triangle, for example.



Make a collection of sticks from the yard. Order the sticks from shortest to longest. Can you find a stick that is half the size of another stick? How do you know it's half?



Can you find 6 different rectangles?
How many sides does a stop sign have?
What about a yield sign?



How many steps does it take to walk around the playground?



How many steps does it take to walk around the playground?



Find 5 rocks and line them up in order from lightest to heaviest.



Time how long it takes to run from lamp post to lamp post.

How many times can you go down the slide in 1 minute?

Math is all around us so get out and explore!