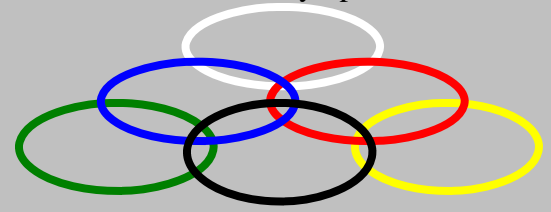


Parent SCOREBOARD

Sept. 14 – 25th, 2009

Vancouver Olympics 2010



Parent Scoreboard

Up Coming Events

Tues. Sept. 15	School Council Elections
Thurs. Sept. 17	Playground to Podium – BCSS Cafeteria 7 pm
Fri. Sept. 18	Interim Reports
Tues. Sept. 22	Junior & Senior Boys Soccer Tournament
Thurs. Sept. 24	Parent's Night
Fri. Sept. 25	PA Day

School Updates

Grade 11 History Students – Boston Trip

"BOSTON IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER! YEAH! There is a mandatory final meeting for all grade 11 students participating in the Boston Study Tour on Tuesday September 22 at 7pm in the Lecture Hall. Please ensure one parent/guardian is present. Students MUST bring two photocopies of their passport to this meeting. Any questions should be directed to Mr. Fornazzari at stefano.fornazzari@yrdsb.edu.on.ca

Music Updates

The **BCSS Repertoire Band** is rehearsing every Monday and Wednesday at lunch. Students must attend one additional rehearsal at a time of their own choice from five possible slots offered. The **BCSS Jazz Ensemble** began organization on Sept. 8th. All students are welcome to participate. Interested students should speak to Mrs. Baskin. Stayed tuned for information about our own **BCSS DRUM LINE**. Coming soon!!!!

Student Absences/Vacations

It is imperative that student vacations take place only during the **scheduled** BCSS holidays. Please refer to the yearly BCSS school calendar when planning family vacations. Please note that the only valid student absences include illness, appointments and sanctioned sporting events/competitions. When a student is going to be away for an extended absence due to sporting competitions, please ensure that the extended absence form is completed in advance. This will allow for both the teacher and the student to make advanced arrangements for completion of assignments/homework during the absence.

Interim Reports

Interim report cards will be distributed on Friday September 18th. BCSS is piloting the new electronic version of the YRDSB interim report card. This report card will show absences/lates and a current mark. It is important to note that this is early in the semester and this is only a beginning snapshot of your child's progress. Previous BCSS interim report cards focused on student self-assessment of learning skills (works independently, teamwork, organization, work habits/homework, initiative) and possible next steps for learning. Please continue to discuss your son/daughter's progress with a focus on their learning skills, their strengths and possible next steps for improvement.

Green Acres Day

Thank you to Miss Lazier, Ms King-Taylor and Ms. Palm for organizing the successful grade 9 activity day at Green Acres on September 10th. Grade 9 students participated in a variety of fun-filled activities while the new grade 10/11 students were challenged by the high ropes course. The grade 10/11 leadership students encouraged cheered and demonstrated outstanding leadership during the day. Many of our teachers and support staff enjoyed participating in the activities with the students. Thank you to all.

Parking & Student Pick-Up

As you are all aware the flow into and out of the school is extremely difficult as we continue to experience construction and access to only one road. It appears that many of you are beginning to stagger your pick up/drop off times as well as creating carpools which help alleviate the congestion. Please be cognizant of your speed when driving near students. When picking up students, please park at the rear of the building and make arrangements to meet your child there. Parking at the front of the school is in violation of fire regulations as this is a fire route and cars may be ticketed and or towed. Being good neighbours is

part of our mandate and we implore you not to park in the Real Estate office or the Medical Centre parking lot as their clients are not able to access a parking space.

BCSS Library

We would like to welcome you to the BCSS library. We are open for students before school, at lunch, during ILIP and after school. As your child brings research assignments home, don't forget to check out the library website. The library website houses over 35 educational databases and several hundred e-books. Try our handy power search on the top right corner to search all of our library resources. When accessing from home, the password is bcss.

Student Success

Ms Fox (Guidance office ext.1190 or room 3008) is our student success advocate in supporting students in need of additional academic assistance. Ms Fox will be available to students during ILIP as well as with prearranged appointments.

Math Help Room is Open for Business!!!

Extra math help will be available to all students in Room 3005 during the lunch hour every Monday. Additional help is also available by teacher appointment. Students are encouraged to seek help as soon as difficulties arise.

Extra Help - English

A lunch-time extra-help drop-in centre is running every Wednesday at lunch in room 2011 to help students struggling with reading and writing tasks. While the primary purpose of the drop-in centre is to help students complete English homework, students are welcome to drop-in for help with any reading or writing tasks. **Students who have moved from Grade 9 Applied English to Grade 10 Academic English should attend each week to support their continued success with the English Curriculum.**

Athletics & Recreation

Think Like an Athlete – Sign up now in Room 1017

Mondays Sept 14 – Oct 5, 12:05pm – 12:45pm or 3:15pm – 4:15pm

“Think Like an Athlete” is facilitated by Mental Performance Consultant, Gizelle Abou Saab who is a Master's candidate in Human Kinetics, Intervention & Consultation in Sport, Physical Activity and Health at the University of Ottawa. There is limited space for this free workshop. Students must sign up for the session on a first come, first served basis.

BCSS Homecoming

Friday October 2, 2009

A Celebration and Spotlight of Bill Crothers Secondary School sports. Come out and support all of our BCSS sport teams! The day will include the “Ford Drive One 4 UR School Event” Fundraiser. A great opportunity to catch all our BCSS teams in action and start a new tradition!



Drive One 4 UR
School Canadian...

Ford Drive One 4 UR School Event – See Attachment

Friday October 2, 2009

Test drive a Ford Flex, Focus or other new Ford vehicle as part of this one day event and help raise much needed funding for Bill Crothers Secondary School. For each test-drive taken at this one-day event, Markville Ford will donate \$20 to fund co-curricular programming at BCSS. The more effort the Bill Crothers Community puts behind drawing people out to this event, the greater the opportunity to maximize our fundraising. More info to come!

Playground to Podium – Athlete Development Series – Please RSVP

Playground to Podium is an Athlete Development series for parents. P to P presenters are professionals in different Athletic service industries. The information provided in these sessions will give parents the information they need to offer evidence based guidance to support their athletic children. Parents will learn strategies to help athletes reach their full athletic potential and develop a lifelong involvement in physical activity.



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Next Playground to Podium is September 17, 2009, 7pm – 8pm - See Attachment

Topics

- BCSS Athletics – What’s in it for me? Jason Sealy, Manager, Athletics & Recreation, BCSS
- Building the Better Athlete – Chris Chapman, Strength & Conditioning Coach, BCSS

Admission Price: \$1/person

Future Session Dates: Oct 29, Dec 10, Jan 28, Mar 3, Apr 15, May 26

Future Topics: Sport Nutrition, Dealing With Sport Injury, Stress as it relates to athletes, The Parental Support Model, Master Your Mind, Master Your Game

Colts Store

The Colts Store is open 12– 1pm on Tuesdays & Thursdays. Students can purchase Phys Ed Shirts & Shorts and Nike Uniform pieces that are in stock. Any school uniform issues or purchases should be dealt with at the Colts store during those times.

BCSS Clothing

Uniforms, Uniforms, Uniforms

We are still awaiting our back ordered Nike Uniform pieces. We have no small sizes at present. Once we receive our order from Nike we will communicate it via Scoreboard and daily announcements.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 905-477-8503 ext 1017 or jason.sealy@yrdsb.edu.on.ca.



BCSS Facility
Schedule Sept 14...

BCSS Facility Schedule - See Attachment

Junior & Senior Boys Soccer Tournament

BCSS is hosting its first ever Junior and Senior Boys Soccer Tournament Day on Tuesday, September 22nd.

School Council

We invite all parents to join our active School Council. Nomination forms must be submitted by Monday 3:00 p.m. Executive positions may only be filled by those who have been active members of council for a minimum of one year. All meetings start at 7 pm in the BCSS Lecture Hall – 1st Floor off the Main Foyer

Meeting Dates

- Tues. Sept. 15th
- Tues. Oct. 20th
- Tues. Dec. 8th
- Tues. Jan. 26th
- Tues. Mar. 23rd
- Tues. May 4th

Election for School Council Positions

Parent Engagement Advisory Committee – This is an invitation for parent applications interested in being a part of the Parent Engagement Committee. We have vacancies for 1 elementary parent and 1 secondary parent from each of East and West areas. The application is also posted on the Board website. Members do not have to be members of school councils (we prefer a mixture of members and non-members). **Please see attachment**



Parent Engagement
Advisory Committee c

The deadline for parent applications is September 24th.

HINI Update - Please **see attachment**



H1N1FluVirus-jointletterSept8YRDSB.pdf

Please read the attached information from Public Health. Please refer to the Bill Crothers website for details on hand washing and Q & A information. www.billcrothers.ss.yrdsb.edu.on.ca

Car Pooling

If you are interested in car pooling please send an email to shirley.difebo@yrdsb.edu.on.ca. We will exchange contact information from interested parties, at your request.

Congratulations to BCSS

One of the targets outlined in the YRDSB Board Plan for Continuous Improvement is to increase students' social, emotional and academic engagement in the learning process through programs like Ontario EcoSchool. On Wednesday September 23, Bill Crothers Secondary School will receive their Plaque and Seal to recognize their accomplishments and contributions to attaining their EcoSchool Certification.