

# BAYRIDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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#### STEAM FAIR

On Thursday March 12<sup>th</sup>, the STEAM Fair will be coming to Bayridge! STEAM Fair is similar to Maker Faire; STEAM features innovation and experimentation across the spectrum of <u>S</u>cience, <u>T</u>echnology, <u>E</u>ngineering, <u>A</u>rt, and Math. It is a school-wide initiative for tech enthusiasts, crafters, tinkerers, engineers, authors, artists, scientists, educators and students. STEAM projects can be anything from a science experiment, to a painted canvas, to robotics, to a math puzzle. If you can make it with your hands and it's something original, then it fits with STEAM Fair!

Students in all divisions will be given the opportunity to create their projects in class although some materials may need to be brought from home. You may purchase supplies for your child; however, we strongly encourage students to use recycled materials when possible. In addition, projects must be original ideas (no kits). While some classes have chosen a specific theme/domain, others have left the options open. Your child's teacher will have sent home a notice earlier this week outlining any further details.

On Thursday March 12<sup>th</sup>, students will be displaying and sharing their projects and creations. We invite parents and other family members to come view the STEAM projects at 2:00 pm in their child's classroom. We thank you for your support in this initiative and look forward to seeing you!

## **COMMUNICATING STUDENT LEARNING**

All teachers communicate student progress in an on-going way either through digital portfolios or other (non-digital) collections/evidence of learning. Communicating Student Learning (CSL) includes capturing learning, conferencing and reporting. Teachers all across the district have two options to communicate student learning formally at different points of the year using either the CSL Template Report <u>or</u> through Freshgrade. On Thursday March 12<sup>th</sup>, parents will receive information from their child's teacher. Parents will either be receiving a Template Report outlining their child's to progress over the second term <u>or</u> be receiving a letter to remind parents to check their child's digital portfolio on Freshgrade. Both of these district-approved methods are ways for teachers to ensure that parents are aware of their child's progress in the various areas of learning and are meant to provide parents with an opportunity to share feedback.

## **YEARBOOKS**

Yearbooks are on sale now! This 60-page photo memory book highlights many special events, clubs and teams throughout the school year. In addition, special collage pages are included to celebrate each class. Biographies are also included for Kindergarten and Grade 7 students. Yearbooks cost only \$25. You can order your yearbook online now at <u>yearbookordercenter@herffjones.com</u> and enter order number 17875

## ORDER DEADLINE is April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020. Yearbooks will be distributed in June.

As we cannot guarantee that extra books will be available in June, please make sure you preorder to avoid missing out. A big thank you to our parent volunteer Angie Haertl, who has been instrumental in every component of the yearbook! This beautiful keepsake would not be possible without her. We thank her for her many years of service in creating yearbooks for Bayridge.

## **NEWSLETTER SCHEDULE**

Please note, this will be our last newsletter before the break. The newsletter will resume in April.

## COMING UP...

Sunday March 8: Daylight Saving Time Begins (\*Move clocks ahead 1 hour) Friday March 13: Last Day of School Before Spring Break

March 16-March 27: Spring Break/School Closure

March 30: School Re-Opens