



Important dates:

Nov. 10th:

Remembrance day tribute at 11:00 AM

Nov. 13th and 14th: Final examinations - 9:00 AM and 1:30 PM start times

Nov. 15th: PD Day/Exam and Culminating Project review day (by appointment)

Nov. 16th: Term 2 begins - modified schedule (9:00, 10:00, and 11:00 AM start times)

Nov. 21st: first basketball team game

Nov. 23rd: Mental Health and Coping with Stress - York University Nursing Students special presentation

Nov. 30th: International Summer programs presentation

December 2nd: Open House, 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

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Teacher spotlight: Mr. DiGiacomo

Mr. DiGiacomo, who is currently in his second year teaching at both Blyth's Adamson and Cawthra campuses, teaches chemistry, junior math and the social sciences. Chemistry is his favourite subject to teach, since he says that "[understanding chemistry] is like understanding the Lego bricks that make up our universe". Mr.



DiGiacomo enjoys working at Blyth Academy because of its small community feel. He believes this allows for a more interwoven and mutually-supportive environment which enables teachers to closely support students. Outside of the classroom, Mr. DiGiacomo spends his weekends hunting and fishing if he isn't participating in a pickup game of hockey, soccer, or football.



Movember cancer fundraiser

This month, students and Blyth staff members will have the opportunity to participate in the annual "Movember" event! Movember is an organization that raises awareness regarding men's health issues such as prostate cancer, testicular cancer, and mental health and well-being.

Each period 2 class was given a donation folder for students and faculty to donate money that will be sent to the Movember charity at the end of the month. Student Council has set a goal of \$1000.00, which if achieved, will result in a pizza party for the entire school! Many students have already donated money, and several students and staff members have been growing a moustache for this great cause.

Basketball

Blyth Adamson is happy to have its first boys' basketball team which is being coached by Mr. Farrell and Mr. Thompson. Practices will take place weekly in preparation for games against the other Blyth campuses. We hope to have many students and teachers in attendance at the first games to cheer on the players!



"Blyth and the Mississauga Steelheads", by Adam Varga

These past 2 months have been exciting and life changing for me. I recently moved from the U.S. to Canada after committing to the Mississauga Steelheads of the OHL. It was very hard saying goodbye to all my friends and family in Baltimore, but the people in Mississauga made the move



easier. My coaches, teammates, billets, and classmates welcomed me with open arms and helped me in many ways. My dream in life is to become a professional hockey player and to get a Bachelor's degree from a university. Blyth Academy understands my busy hockey schedule and helps me succeed on and off the ice. I take Grade 11 Functions (math) and study Anthropology online. Ms. Aranha and Ms. Zourntos guide and help me with anything that I have trouble with in class. So far, I love Blyth Academy and look forward to learning more and sharing memories with my teachers and classmates. It's like a big family!

ENG 4U *Hamlet* tableaux presentations

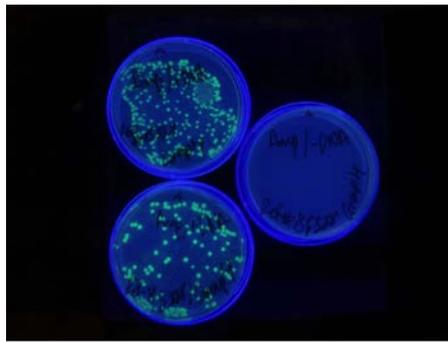
Ms. Vickman's periods 1 and 2 ENG 4U classes recently completed tableaux presentations at the end of the *Hamlet* unit. In groups of three, students selected five significant passages from the play, and presented freeze-frames of these key moments from the Elizabethan tragedy.



Ontario Science Centre field trip

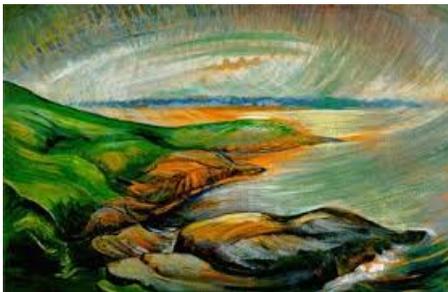
On Friday November 3rd, science students from Blyth campuses across the GTA took part in a field trip to the Ontario Science Centre. Students toured exhibits, took part in a variety of demonstrations and watched an IMAX film. Students from the

grade 12 Chemistry class conducted a water testing lab, and gained practical lab skills. The grade 12 Biology class transformed bacteria with a green fluorescent protein gene derived from jellyfish to make glowing bacteria. Students enjoyed the field trip, and grade 12 Biology student, Jacqueline Preto, said after the trip day that "the lab was interesting because we got to use advanced tools such as micropipettes that we wouldn't normally use in school. We also got good results, which I didn't expect."



Golf Tournament: Lakeview Golf Club

Our Blyth Academy Mississauga Masters Golf Trip was a huge success. Despite the chilly weather, all participants had a great day playing at the historic Lakeview Golf Club. We look forward to returning in the spring!



Blyth-wide Literary Anthology, 2017-2018

New to Blyth Academy this year is the first, campus-wide literary anthology, which will explore the theme of:

Humans In The Natural World

Would you like to have your writing published in the first ever 2017-2018 Blyth Literary Anthology?

Submit your writing to:
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Please make sure your name, course, grade, campus, and title of the piece are included.

We welcome writing from all subject areas, including:

- *Poems*
- *Short stories*
- *Essays*
- *Reports*
- *Reviews*
- *Photographs*
- *Oral presentation scripts*
- *Play excerpts*
- *Visual analyses (body biographies, collages, infographics)*

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