



Your Biweekly News & Updates

This week's newsletter includes Upcoming Events, Being Brilliant in Grade 11 Drama, Spotlight on Athletics, What You Never Knew About Mr. Ebel, Coles Notes, and a call for submissions to Blyth Babble!

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Upcoming Events

February 13th - Hockey Tournament
February 14th - **Valentine's Day** <3
February 19th - Family Day [No classes for students]
February 21st - Winter Day

Being Brilliant in Grade 11 Drama!

For their culminating assignment, Grade 11 Drama was tasked with planning, rehearsing, and performing short comedic plays that involved mixed up triplets, and a Cold War submarine standoff. The students eagerly dug into their work, choosing costumes, planning and rehearsing blocking, and memorizing their lines. The final performances were polished, technically sound, and most importantly, hilarious! --Ms. Julie Champagne



Spotlight on Athletics

Exam week has come and gone and that meant that it was a quiet week for your Blyth Wolves. Our Boys U20 faced off against the Toronto Prep Spartans last Wednesday. Due to injuries the Wolves had a short bench and ran out of gas against an up tempo Spartan squad. The Wolves fell short 64-33 for their second loss of the season. Next week the basketball season wraps up with games against St. Jude's Academy, Metro Prep, and Hudson College.

Our U20 Girls Volleyball team continues their season with games against the WillowWood Warriors, Metro Prep Predators, and the Toronto Prep Spartans before their championship tournament on March 1st.

The Blyth Wolves Ice Hockey team will be playing an ice hockey tournament coming up on Tuesday, February 13th at the Scotiabank Pond against teams from Downsview Park and Hudson College.

If you are interested in a sport, please come and speak with Mr. Ebel or Mr. Makki!



What You Never Knew About... Mr. Ebel!

My dad is a retired police officer and member of the Canadian Armed Forces, so to say that he was a stern disciplinarian would be an understatement. One particular story that I love telling comes from my days as a Grade

Eleven student. I was suspended for five days for an incident at lunch and needless to say my dad was not pleased with me. He decided that my punishment should be to paint our basement. Doesn't seem harsh until you remember that it was my dad we're talking about.

I had to use a one-inch brush to paint the ENTIRE basement, and when I finished the job, my dad would come down, inspect the painting, scratch his chin and shake his head. He produced a second can of paint and said he "didn't like the colour". I must have painted that basement three times that week, only to find out that my job over March Break was to help my dad paint the basement a FOURTH colour.

Coles Notes

My very first day as Principal of Blyth LP, or Principal anywhere, was Monday, January 3rd, 2011. A significant snowstorm was forecast that day, and I got myself on a conference call around 5am with the headmasters of several independent schools to discuss possible school closings. I felt pretty chuffed and important to be on that call, and when consensus was reached to close, I felt I had no choice. My very first decision as Principal, my first communication to my new school community...was to call a snow day to kick off this new chapter of my career.

My approval ratings among students were higher that day than any day since.

My approval ratings among parents were decidedly different, given that we got barely a dusting that day or the next.

1,400 or so school days later, and that first snow day is still our last.

Reminder - Blyth Babble!



Having some issues keeping up with 2018 already? Need a person to bounce some ideas off of? Maybe even ask for some advice? With no judgement included, because it is all anonymous!

Blyth Academy is now offering an advice column! Whether it is school, family, or friends, Blyth Babble is here to help - no question is too big or too small. Contact Blyth Babble at blythbabble@gmail.com

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