

# Blyth

## ACADEMY

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## SPRING NEWS & UPDATES

**In this newsletter you will find...**

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

May 31<sup>st</sup>- Withdrawl deadline for term 4 courses

June 4<sup>th</sup>- Blyth Wide Soccer Tournament, sign up with Matthew in Guidance

June 19<sup>th</sup>- Coffee House at lunch

### **UPDATES**

Some more Grad photos

Class Updates: Grade 9/10 Gym, Grade 12 Recreation and Healthy Living,

Grade 11 Entrepreneurship, Grade 10 Intro to Business

Student Council continues its Friday Rooftop BBQs

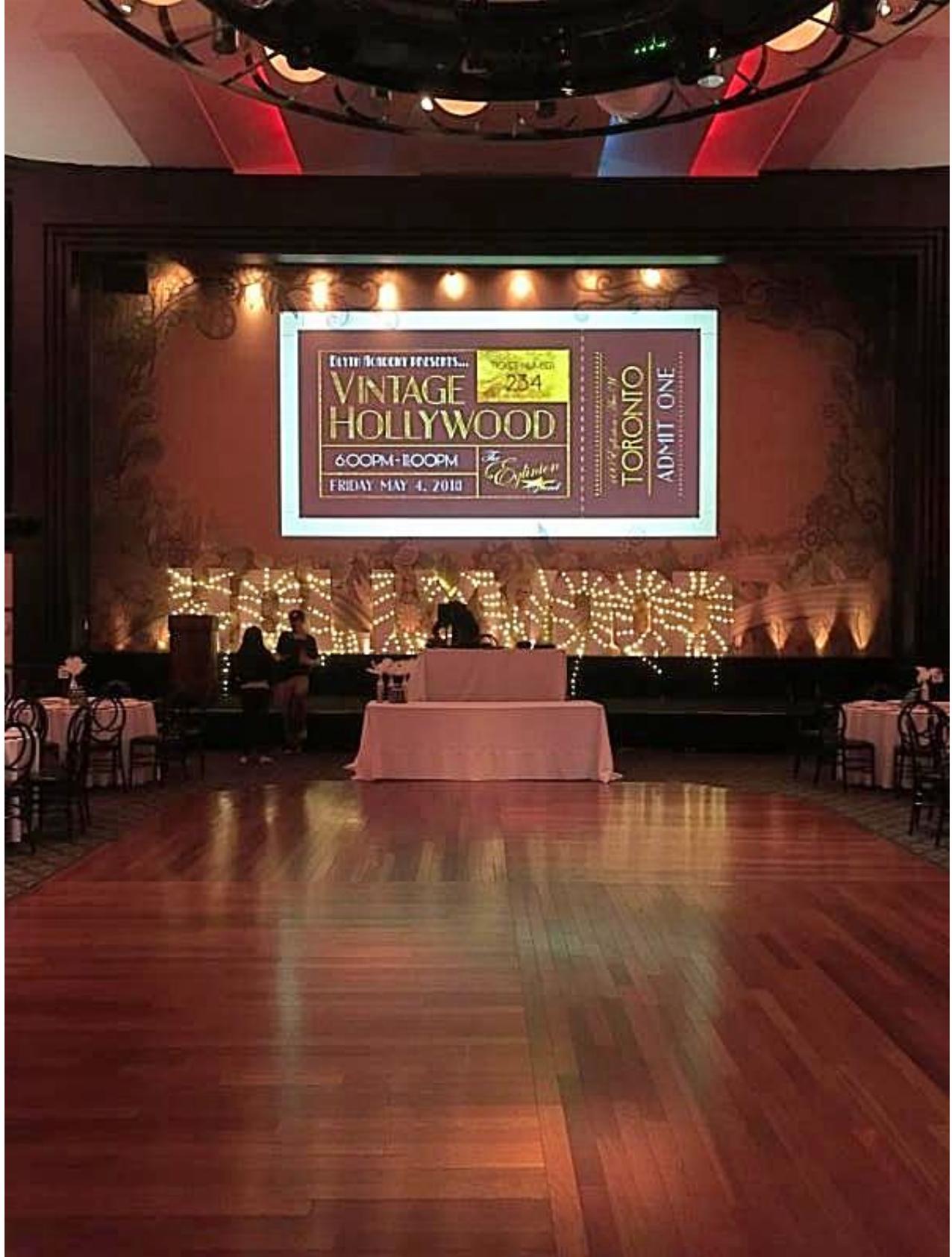
**Faculty Preview: Tasha Barbour**



## VINTAGE HOLLYWOOD PROM HIGHLIGHTS







## CLASS UPDATES

The grade 9 and 10 gym class and Ms Fatigati's Grade 12 Recreation and Healthy

Active Living Leadership class took a Pilates and Yoga class today!





## **PPL10/20**

The Grade 9/10 gym class had a guest speaker: Laura Baum, a registered dietician who came to speak about sugar consumption, and together with the students we explored and analyzed various "sugar myths." At the end of the lesson, each student made a flavoured iced tea!





## ENTREPRENEURSHIP

The Entrepreneurship class was fortunate to have Entrepreneur **Norbert Horvath**

come in and speak to the class. Norbert Horvath

is a technology executive, entrepreneur, and team builder with broad experience in large scale mission critical systems. Mr. Horvath's past ventures have led a number of large scale multi-disciplinary efforts covering healthcare, non-profit, oil exploration, publishing and media. In particular, he brings immense experience within the healthcare sector having led the successful launch of nationwide Electronic Health Records in multiple countries. According to a Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation study, the countries utilizing Mr. Horvath's designs now have the world's most advanced and comprehensive nationwide health systems resulting in

record drops of HIV transmission rates, maternal mortality, and chronic disease while instituting cost savings and efficient public health measures. In 2008 and 2009, Mr. Horvath was appointed Technical Advisor to the Vice Chair of the US President's Council on Financial Literacy leading technology efforts for multiple nationwide initiatives during the 08/09 housing financial crisis.





**Bram Warshavsky** also came and spoke with the **Entrepreneurship and Intro to Business** classes. Bram is one of the Co-Founders at 5Crowd. Before 5Crowd, Bram held various roles within brand management and digital marketing at Johnson & Johnson. A graduate of the Queen's School of Business, he appears frequently as a marketing speaker and teaches the highly-rated Marketing Strategy class at George Brown College in Toronto. He was voted one of the 30 Under 30 to watch by Marketing Magazine. He regaled our students with information about how he approached entrepreneurship as a young person, and gave them great advice about running their own businesses.

## SPRING ROOFTOP BBQ

Summer weather is here! Come join us on the rooftop for hotdogs (beef and veggie available) every Friday afternoon.



Students and teachers relax in the summer weather on our rooftop patio during lunch.



## A SNEAK PEAK AT FACULTY..

### Tasha Barbour, English and History teacher

In June of 2014, I had the honour of joining a team of six students through Nipissing University as we embarked on an animal rights based expedition to Hong Kong, China in partnership with the Kadoorie Farm and Botanical Garden. There, we cared for injured



animals including dog-faced fruit bats, owlets, and kite-birds, scouted the city along with the SPCA's rescue teams to assist injured or lost pets, and helped to maintain the farm's live exhibits. We befriended charming

barking deer, learned to respect the territory of tiny leopard cats, and quivered in terror as we helped dig for the fragile eggs of rare turtles. It was truly one of the most profound experiences of my life, and solidified in me an appreciation for culture, our planet, and how we must work to conserve and protect the precious lives within our world.



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