



## Your Biweekly News & Updates

This week's newsletter includes Dates to Remember, a MAD Night Invitation, What You Never Knew About... Mr. Clark, Being Brilliant in Computer Science and Coles Notes.

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### Dates to Remember

March 27 - Ontario Secondary School Literacy test for grade 10 students

April 3 - "Dear Evan Hansen" musical field trip

April 4 - MAD Night (a showcase of music, art and drama)

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**Upcoming MAD Night**  
**A Celebration of Music, Art, and Drama**



Please join us on Thursday, April 4, for this year's MAD Night, an evening where Blyth LP students show off their creativity and talent. The second floor of 2660 Yonge will be transformed into a gallery space for the night: you can browse through displays of the drawings, paintings, graphic design, photography, and 3D architectural models created by students this past year. During the second half of the evening, guests will congregate in a performance space to enjoy live music and dramatic performances. Expect a warm and casual atmosphere, high-caliber entertainment, and light snacks (featuring chicken wings).

6:00 PM - doors open

7:00-7:30 PM - live performances

-- Mr. Taylor

**What You Never Knew About... Mr. Clark!**



I was born in the sun soaked, tropical paradise of Hamilton, Ontario. Once the center of Canada's steel industry, Hamilton underwent a difficult period after the steel and manufacturing companies packed up and left. 20 years later, Hamilton has undergone a radical transformation. Now, Hamilton is home to a vibrant arts and culture scene. The annual "Supercrawl" attracts over 130 000 visitors from across Ontario and in 2017, the Smithsonian Institute named Hamilton the "Waterfall Capital of the World". Other attractions include the Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum, Dundurn Castle, and the monthly James Street Art Crawls.

My hobbies include writing, podcasting and complaining about the current state of Hollywood movies. I taught myself how to play guitar in grade 12 by listening to Bob Dylan songs on repeat. While I don't get to play as often as I used to, I try to learn at least two new songs every few months.

-- Mr. Clark

## Being Brilliant in Computer Science



This week, the computer science class took apart a laptop to identify the parts. The laptop was named 'Hercules', and graciously donated by Mr Dupuis after it stopped working. Rather than send the laptop straight to e-waste, he donated to the learning process, alongside a burned out PSU. With the help of a screwdriver, we were able to remove the back panel of the laptop, and identify the RAM card, hard drive, SD drive and a USB port.

To access the motherboard, we needed to apply a bit more force, and pry the laptop case apart to get inside. This led us to the back of the motherboard, the battery pack, a fan, and the DVD drive. Many of those components could be easily removed, but the motherboard and CPU were still firmly attached. After removing a couple more screws, we managed to remove the motherboard entirely to see the CPU, as well as its cooling system.

After that, things got a little destructive as we broke everything into their core components (Save for the battery pack and PSU, which are too dangerous to take apart without proper procedures and care.)

When every screw was removed, every wire unplugged, and every key pried off, the leftover pieces of Hercules were cleaned up and shipped off for proper e-waste disposal.

-- Ms.

## Coles Notes

We are approaching a pair of our signature events over the next two weeks. First, on April 4th, our MAD Night as described above. Please do mark this event in your calendars; we'd love to see as many of you here as possible. Then, on April 10th, our Triathlon at Glendon College. 16 schools from across the GTA have confirmed their participation, and there may still be a spot or two for additional student athletes from Blyth LP. Let's see if we can take the title for the second time in the event's five year history!

One more opportunity as well: on April 3rd, we have reserved a block of tickets to see an amazing musical currently running in Toronto:

*Dear Evan Hansen, which has won six Tony awards including Best New Musical, delves into the human desire for connection, belonging, and understanding. The story follows the life of teen Evan an anxious-outsider as he navigates the consequences of an inadvertent lie that pushes him into the spotlight. The musical explores the complex relationships found in teenhood and doesn't shy away from asking the essential questions surrounding mental health, tragedy, and self-acceptance. Evan's struggles represent a universal trope in our own teenagers' desire to belong and be found. #youwillbefound*

A couple of our classes will be attending in full, but there are a few additional tickets available to our students on a first come, first served basis. Please email me if interested.

Thanks and a very happy spring to all!

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