

DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday May 18th – Victoria Day (no classes)
Monday May 25th – Midterm date
Monday June 1st – Withdrawal date
Thursday June 25th & Friday June 26th – Final Exams

Being Brilliant in IAPS!

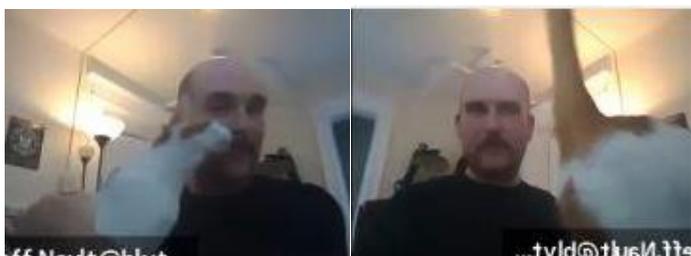
Perhaps this lesson will ring a bell...

This past week the grade 11 Introduction to Anthropology, Psychology and Sociology class got a little lesson in Classical Conditioning. We examined the psychological experiments of the early 20th century Behaviorist Ivan Pavlov, and how he (somewhat cruelly) conditioned dogs to drool on command when he rang a bell by pairing the sound of the bell (a neutral stimulus) with the scent of food (an unconditioned stimulus).

In order to replicate the experiment (without teasing our poor beloved pets) we used an online game that allows students to replicate the Pavlovian experiment. Students were able to pair a number of neutral stimuli (a horn, bell or drum) with the act of feeding in order to properly condition the digital pooch to drool!

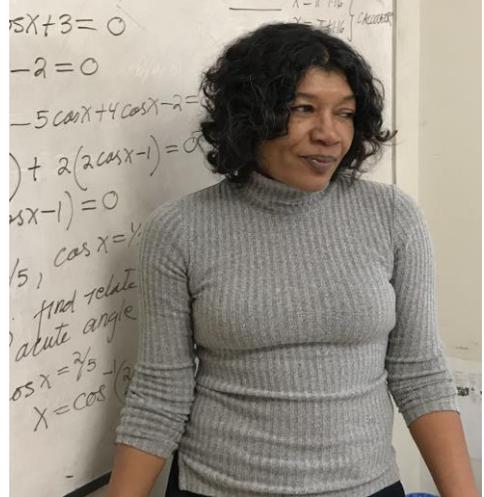


Not to be outdone, Mr. Nault's occasional teaching assistant Claude the cat made an appearance in class, as he's begun to associate IAPS class with the desire for petting and attention. IAPS will be on the lookout for Claude, as he may be becoming classically conditioned to participate in our zoom class!



---Mr. Nault

What you never knew about... Avia Sang!



I am a full-time teacher at Blyth Academy Yorkville, and for this very different term, it is my pleasure to be teaching Grade 10 Math here at our Lawrence Park campus. While it's a challenge to make personal connections through Zoom, I am getting to know the students a little better each day in this new online medium, and feeling very optimistic for the weeks ahead.

I'm originally from Jamaica; Toronto has been my home for many years. I have a black belt in martial arts but no longer do any serious training. A lot of my spare time is spent reading history. I've just finished reading a short history of the Ming and Yuan dynasties of China.

Coles Note: Blyth Buzzing...

Greetings again, Families! I've been sending weekly emails to you all, so you may have already heard enough from me. I just want to say here that I'm loving the continued innovations...our team of teachers and students are doing so much more than "coping". In addition to Mr. Kwok's COVID19 face shields for our partner Retirement Residence, and Cooper W. using his birthday as an opportunity for giving food to the blind, we also have an exciting environmental initiative fast approaching! On June 2, our first bee hive is set to arrive on the roof of 2660 Yonge. Mr. Saklica, his Ecoclub, and all of us at Blyth LP are so excited, and we'll look to involve the bees in as many of our virtual classes as we can. Can hardly wait to see what the Yonge and Lawrence flavour notes of our school honey will be! Best to all: stay safe, stay healthy, and keep doing your part.

---Luke