



Kinnikinnick Bulletin

Dear Parents, Families and Guardians.

I hope this message finds you well and managing under our new circumstances. I wanted to reach out to you over the break as I am sure you are all impacted by both the pandemic and by the ever-changing news, updates, and protocols being put forth... it is an interesting, unprecedented, and (often) overwhelming time and so I want to be sure to maintain communication with all of you as things progress. By now, many of you are aware that school has been suspended, and you are likely wondering what this means. Please know that I have wonderings about this too, as does our staff! This is what I can share with you at this time:

- The Ministry, the district and the schools are working on many fronts to understand, plan and work within this new situation.
- This IS a new situation. There are many unknowns at this time, and we don't have all the answers. Please be patient as we will not have immediate solutions or plans until after the Spring Break, but know that we WILL be working together on educational and support strategies for all of our students.
- Please feel free to bring questions forward and/or express your concerns to me. I will do my best to respond or to go to a source where accurate information is available. If there is no answer at the time, I will be sure to let you know this!
- We will do our best as a community service support in this time of crisis.
- We recognize the anxiety that many people feel in our students, staff and community

Please know that we are in this together, and that we will work on this together and get through this together – we always do! Again, please do not hesitate to reach out to me, and to one another at this time.

Above all, stay well... use this time of social distancing to strengthen CONNECTION with your children and immediate family members. Take care of each other, and try to enjoy this break and the beautiful weather to the best of your ability. We are so fortunate to have beaches, the forest, and beautiful spaces to access and still maintain the standards/ boundaries of social distancing. Stay informed and monitor the media but do so mindfully – it has an impact – I am finding the regular updates from the COVID-19 Task Force to be helpful.

All my best,
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