



ÉCOLE SECONDAIRE ARGYLE SECONDARY SCHOOL

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Friday, March 27th, 2020

Dear Argyle Parents/Guardians,

We hope you and your loved ones are safe and healthy during this time of uncertainty. We hope that despite some rapid changes to Spring Break plans, you were still able to enjoy some happy times over the last two weeks.

If you have a child in an elementary school that feeds into Argyle you will notice some similarities with our parent email messages. Please note that while some of the key messages are similar, there are some unique pieces specific to Argyle.

The health and well-being of our entire Argyle community is our top priority. This is an extremely challenging time for everyone in our community. We recognize that there are many different emotions facing our school community during this time. Please share with your child/children, that we are thinking about them and look forward to connecting with them over the coming weeks. We miss all of you and look forward to seeing you again.

Some important information for the week of March 30th - April 3rd:

- Only essential staff will be allowed in the building during this week. School doors will be locked and students and parents will not have access to the school.
- As outlined in the message from the Superintendent of Schools both March 20th and yesterday, the Ministry has suspended all in-school instruction. Teachers at Argyle will be spending the next week developing Continuity of Learning Plans to ensure students remain connected to their teachers and continue to have opportunities to learn. Clarity around this plan will be provided over time. You can expect to have direct communication from your child's teachers by Friday, April 3rd outlining a plan.
- Plans will be created to allow students a mechanism for retrieving any necessary items from the school and will be communicated by Friday, April 3rd. In the meantime, as already stated, students and parents will not have access to the school.
- Learning Connection Conferences will NOT be proceeding on April 8th. The sign-up that was supposed to commence on Monday evening will not be taking place.

As we collectively work through this unprecedented situation, I would ask all of you to take time for yourselves and your children both with and beyond our learning plans. Physical, emotional and social needs are also a significant part of everyone's mental health and well-being. Please continue to share the important message of the need for social/physical distancing with your child/children.

Lastly, we would like to thank all of our health & frontline professionals, retail supports, and community agencies who are working so hard and diligently on our behalf. Our positive Piper thoughts and best wishes extend to everyone. Please be safe and supportive of one another during this heightened time of need and care.

Thank you for your patience and understanding. We appreciate all the kindness, positive thoughts and offers of support we have received.

Keep safe, everyone,

Kim Jonat, Principal

Caren Hall, Vice Principal

John Crowley, Vice Principal