



ÉCOLE BOUNDARY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

As we move into our third and final full week of school, we are very pleased with the positive experiences and successes. Many classes are getting outdoors and learning in nature. We feel very lucky to be located near so many wonderful trails and learning opportunities.

Before sending your children to school, please remember to ensure a health check is completed and keep anyone who is unwell at home. We are relying upon parents' cooperation and diligence with this task. Students who arrive, or become, ill at school will be sent home.

We would also like to remind you to mind the physical distancing measures in place and to maintain 2m between yourselves and others from outside your own households and around the school grounds. Recognize that the PHO and Ministry of Education have acknowledged that strict 2m physical distancing is harder for younger students and the guidelines for younger children is to minimize physical contact, encouraging them to "keep their hands to themselves" and/or "stay within their own bubbles."

"Physical distancing (i.e., maintaining a distance of 2 meters between two or more people) is challenging in a K-12 school setting, particularly with younger students. As such, it is reasonable to establish different expectations for varying age levels and activities. For example, younger students should be supported to have minimized physical contact with one another, while older students and adults should seek to maintain a safe physical distance whenever possible."

Provincial COVID-19 Health and Safety Guidelines for K-12 Setting, pg. 6 <https://bit.ly/2UKMkMv>

Last Week of Classes

There will be some adjustments made for the last week of school.

Students will attend on the following days:

Monday, June 22	K-5/6 Cohort 1 (and priority learners*)
Tuesday, June 23	Grade 7 – Farewell Celebrations (and priority learners*)
Wednesday, June 24	Priority learners only
Thursday, June 25	K-5/6 Cohort 2, grade 6's (and priority learners*)
Friday, June 26	Administrative Day – No students in session.

The last day for K-5/6 Cohort 1 is Monday June 22 and the last day for Grade 7s is Tuesday June 23. The last day for K-5/6 Cohort 2, all grade 6's and all Priority learners is Thursday June 25.

*Please note on Tuesday, June 23rd and Wednesday, June 24th that these are Child-Minding Days for priority learners as there is no in-person instruction. Please contact Mr. MacLeod if you are planning to be in attendance on those days or if you have any questions.

Online Learning

Please expect the online learning opportunities to continue to decrease and end completely by Friday, June 19.

Agendas, Intermediate & Primary School Supplies

Agendas, Intermediate & Primary School Supplies for 2020-2021 are now available to purchase. Please note we will not be accepting Cash or Cheques and all payments will need to be made using School Cash online at <https://sd44.schoolcashionline.com/>. If you need assistance setting up an account, please contact the school office. Payment will need to be received no later than June 15, 2020.

Library Books

Please return all library books to the school. We will place a bin outside the main doors for students to place their books. Currently, our library collection is closed for the remainder of the school year.

Summer Day Camps

Artists for Kids is happy to announce that we are offering 5 weeks of summer day camps and registration is now open. For more information please go to <https://bit.ly/2AsSev0>.

Report Cards

Student progress reports will be opened up for viewing on June 24th by 4:00pm. Reports will be based on work prior to the suspension of in-class instruction and the assessment of participation in literacy and numeracy based learning opportunities during on-line and in-person instruction. All students will receive final assessment for every course (if required) and since teachers have not been providing instruction in all subject areas since March 13, progress reported in March will carry forward. Student assessment in literacy and numeracy may show increase since March 13 but may not decrease given the circumstances. Assessment may only be equal to their pre-spring break assessment or greater than their pre-Spring Break assessment (cumulative mark up to March 13th, 2020).

Grade 7 Farewell

On Tuesday, June 23, we are welcoming all grade 7's back to Boundary for the start of their Farewell Celebrations. Due to the circumstances, this day will look a little different than in the past. The grade 7s will join their teachers and administrators in a gathering in the gym (of course physically distanced) to say goodbye, enjoy the Boundary's Year-End Slideshow, as well as their Grade 7 Farewell Slideshow. After the gathering, they will be met by a few parents for some goodies and receive their Yearbook. In the afternoon, we will have a live ceremony through Teams with all the families and then, all the families will have the opportunity to enjoy the Grade 7 Farewell Slideshow through a closed link. Grade 7 families, please ensure you are connected to the MS Team titled; Team BCE_Gr.7 Farewell well prior to June 23rd.

School Technology

Please return all borrowed technology by Tuesday June 23rd by 1:00pm. We need to inventory and prepare the units to be reformatted for use in September.

Sincerely,

Tim MacLeod
Principal

Ilona Wardas
Vice-Principal