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Dear Ross Road Parents/Guardians,

We hope that you are all healthy and well during this time of uncertainty. Although your Spring Break may not have turned out as originally planned, we hope you were able to rest and spend some time connecting with family and friends. The health and well-being of all members of the Ross Road community is our highest priority. We are confident in the strength of our community and our number one goal is to keep all of our learners connected to school and to provide as much safety and reassurance as we can during this unprecedented time.

The intention of this communication is to follow-up on the message sent yesterday by the Superintendent of Schools. As outlined in that letter, the Ministry has suspended all in-school learning for the foreseeable future. Clarity around the continuity of learning for your child/children will be provided over time. You can expect direct communication from your child's classroom teacher by Friday, April 3.

The school district has been hard at work to support our teaching staff with possible frameworks to ensure the continuity of learning. As stated by the Superintendent, a district website will be available soon to provide valuable resources to support your child/children's learning from home. The educators at Ross Road care deeply about the learning of all our students. We are confident that together, with patience and understanding, we will rise to this new landscape.

Some important information for the week of March 30 – April 3:

- 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.
- School staff will be working this week to create their continuity of learning plan for their students. Teachers will connect with all families and students no later than Friday, April 3. Continued connection and relationship will be important for everyone, especially for our students.
- Plans will be created to allow students/parents a mechanism for retrieving any necessary items from the school and will be communicated next week. In the meantime, as already stated, students and parents will not have access to the school.

We want to draw your attention again to two important links shared yesterday in the Superintendent's message:

- [Government website](#) for up-to-date, non-clinical information on COVID-19
- The [Ministry of Education Frequently Asked Questions](#) on Continuity of Education in the K-12 Education System

Finally, we recognize that there are many different emotions facing our school community during this time. Please take care of yourselves and loved ones. Clarity around plans will come in time. In the meantime, please share with your child/children, that we are thinking about them and look forward to connecting with them over the coming weeks.

Sincerely,

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