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UPDATE ON COVID-19

Dear Parents,

Firstly, thank you to all parents who have been so positive about our current operational problems in terms of thanking teachers for the superb job they are doing. I also want to thank the students who are living in very different times to a few weeks ago - both students at school and others at home appear to be continuing to try their hardest. A huge thank you goes to all school staff - and particularly teachers (especially our Technology Team) who have been asked to conduct their teaching in an extremely different way to normal - and have risen to do so in a very successful way. We appear to be going to live in this 'new world' for some time and as we do our development of our methods will continue to be refined.

Some important points:

- please see the additional online learning letter on our website
- hard copies of work will continue to be available for the rest of this term
- there are, to our knowledge, NO confirmed cases of COVID19 in our school community
- school work set for your child is being set consistently across all grades - students should work on it during the normal school day time - 9-3. If students are unable to complete all work that is okay – at times, you may need to prioritise your child's mental wellbeing over the completion of academic work.
- a reminder that unless you tell us otherwise your child will be marked as 'F' at school (i.e. following the Premier's permission to keep your child at home)
- teachers will return/respond to, work between the hours of 8.30-3.30 Monday to Friday
- as this process continues, teachers will begin to undertake increased conferencing and assessment of student work online
- school will continue to remain open for those parents who are unable to make other arrangements for their children
- today, 90% of students were absent
- we currently have a number of staff members working from home, but each day we have some admin staff, members of the school executive, teaching staff and representatives from the school technology team who are available to assist with any enquiries

We realise that families may be facing extreme difficulties with loss of jobs and other hardships. If any families feel the need to 'reach out' for help we are happy - and prepared- to do whatever we can to assist you to link to any organisation that may be able to assist you.

Have a relaxing weekend,

Doug Meaney
Principal
March 27, 2020