



***April 6 – April 9***

## Gatestone Elementary School 2020-2021

Monday, April	Day 0	Easter Monday
Tuesday, April 6	Day 4	
Wednesday, April 7	Day 5	
Thursday, April 8	Day 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Jump Rope for Heart Virtual Kick Off Assembly</b> (More info to come. Donations will be directly to Jump Rope for Heart – no cash donations to school)</li> <li>• <b>International Day of Pink (April 14<sup>th</sup> – Gatestone will recognize today)</b></li> </ul> <p><b>United We Stand a Chance</b> Discrimination takes many shapes, whether it's based on race, age, disabilities, gender or sexuality. While progress has been made to remove these barriers, discrimination still persists. We recognize this day to remind our students to continue to fight for equality and acceptance</p>
Friday, April 9	Day 2	<p><i>Have a wonderful Break!!</i></p> <p><b>April Break 12-16 (No School on these Days)</b></p>

### Upcoming Important Dates:

***Virtual Jump Rope for Heart Assembly – April 8<sup>th</sup>***

***Whole School Photos – April 27<sup>th</sup>***

***Jump Rope for Heart Celebration – May 7 (in class cohorts)***

***Kindergarten Grad Photos – May 17,18***

***Virtual Kindergarten Orientation – May 19***

## **Gatestone Community Updates**

### **Public Health Measures - Reminders**

With the rise in COVID-19 cases and the warmer weather approaching, we are closing our lockers and cubby bins that was used for winter storage. Students will return to fall routines, storing backpacks and coats at their desk area. Please do not send personal materials that are not school related to school. We appreciate your help here.

A big thank you to our community for all your support and hard work in helping to keep our students safe at Gatestone Elementary. Limiting traffic on the school grounds, maintaining distance, mask wearing, and reminders to your child/children to follow safe school routines has helped us keep our community infection rate low and outside of the school! Amazing work Gatestone Families! Gatestone staff truly appreciates your efforts as we understand how challenging this year has been for us all. Let's keep working together to stay safe and healthy.

### **Creation Camp to Support Problem Solving and Mathematical Thinking**

Many of our primary and junior classes have been participating in HWDSB Creation Camps with their students. This is a virtual creation camp which focuses on coding skills aligning with our recently revised Mathematics Curriculum. Students are designing various video games that help them learn and problem solve patterns, equations, and automate simple processes. If your child has shared their class is participating, feel free to ask them about their experience and creations.