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Weekly Update for March 1, 2021

As the month of February comes to an end, I am extremely proud of the students and staff. February was Black History Month. Students have been learning about the history and achievements of people of African descent. These lived experiences have contributed to the development and history of Canada. On Wednesday, students and staff wore "Pink" to show their kindness and acceptance of each other. As a school community, we continue our work to build a school environment where students and staff are accepted and supported. This week, we welcomed new students to our school as they joined in-person learning. On March 4th, paper copies of Report Cards will be sent home. Goal-setting is a life skill for everyone. Please take the time to speak with your children and develop achievable goals with them. The goals could be weekly, monthly or the term. Monitor the progress together and celebrate success!

Updated Screening:

Thank you for continuing to complete your daily COVID-19 screening before arriving at school. You may have noticed the provincial screening tool has changed. Here are some of the significant changes:

1. A student with any **single** new COVID-19 symptom must isolate until they test negative for COVID-19, receives an alternate diagnosis for the symptom, or has isolated for 10 days since symptoms began. (Previously, students with a minor symptom could return after 24 hours.)
2. If you live with someone who has a new COVID-19 symptom, you must isolate pending the symptomatic person's COVID-19 test result. This applies to siblings of symptomatic students or children of symptomatic parents/guardians.
3. If you live with an international traveller who isn't exempt from quarantine requirements, you must isolate for 14-days.

For homes with more than one child, this means that all students in a household must stay home if a single student fails the screen; all siblings will be sent home from school if one child becomes ill.

February COVID Update: Please see HWDSB update: <https://www.hwdsb.on.ca/blog/hwdsb-covid-19-updates-february-2021/>

School Council Meeting: We met Tuesday February 23 to discuss school activities and operations. Future meetings are scheduled: March 23, April 27 and May 25th. All meetings will be virtual.

Spring Break

The Ministry of Education has announced our Spring Break will be April 12-16, 2021.

Photos

Grade 8 Graduation Photos are scheduled for March 15th. The photographer will be following protocols to ensure student safety.

Student Photos are scheduled for March 17th. Protocols will be in place to ensure health and safety.

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Kindergarten Registration: If your child was born 2017, they may begin attending school September 2021. You can register your child online or contact the school for additional information.

PD Day: March 5th is PD Day. There will be no school for students. The staff will be working on the Continuous Learning and Improvement plan, Equity and Inclusion “Learn.Disrupt.Rebuild” resource, and school priorities.