

Gordon Price Elementary School

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Weekly Update for March 22, 2021

This weekend, it is the Spring Equinox! I know everyone is hoping the warm weather is coming too. This past week, our students had their school photos. There was lots of excitement and smiles as students were looking their best! Many thanks to the Photographers for their diligence with safety protocols.

Updated Screening:

Thank you for your attention to the daily COVID-19 screening before arriving at school. You may have noticed the <u>provincial screening tool</u> 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.

Asymptomatic Testing in HWDSB: Please see this link for more information: https://www.hwdsb.on.ca/about/covid19/asymptomatic-testing-in-hwdsb-schools/

<u>School Council Meeting:</u> The next school council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday March 23, 2021 at 6:30 pm. It will a MS Teams Meeting. If you are interested in attending, please contact the school at gordonrprice@hwdsb.on.ca to receive an email invite.

<u>Kindergarten Registration</u>: We are accepting registrations for Kindergarten for this upcoming September. If your child was born 2017, you can register your child online or contact the school for additional information.

<u>Elementary School Transition Information</u>: HWDSB will provide a third and final opportunity for families to transition between the Elementary Remote Learning Program and in-person this spring. The first full day of school in a new location for students will be Tuesday, May 4, 2021.

Families who wish to switch learning models between remote and in-person must complete the *Elementary Transition Between Remote and In-Person (Optional Request Form)*.

The form will be available in the <u>Parent Portal</u> and opens on **Monday, March 22, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.** It will close on **Sunday, March 28, 2021 at 11:59 p.m.** Only complete this form if you would like to request a change in delivery model.

