

# The Remote Report: Languages

## January

Dear Families,

We hope that you had a restful and peaceful two week break. It is hard to believe that we are here in 2021 and have started our remote learning journey again.

We would like to again reiterate our thanks to you as we continue to navigate virtual learning. The students have demonstrated growth and resiliency with an openness to problem-solving. Your support continues to be invaluable.

As we move forward in 2021, we continue to make the well-being and mental health a priority for our students and staff. Communication is welcomed and needed. Never hesitate to reach out to your teacher if you have questions.

Thank you for learning alongside us.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Panju & Mrs. Gojsic



### Remote School Website:

The Remote School Website is an invaluable source of information for Remote Families. Please check in frequently to access important messages and updates.

<https://www.hwdsb.on.ca/remotearnina/>

### Remote Languages Contacts

The Remote Languages School exists just like a brick and mortar school. Should you wish to connect with the school, please feel free to do so by email at [remotelanguages@hwdsb.on.ca](mailto:remotelanguages@hwdsb.on.ca) or by phone at 905 527 5092 x2127 (voicemail only).

### Upcoming Parent Information Nights....

We are excited to be offering the following series of parent information nights:

- **Wednesday January 20th 7:00 PM, MS Teams:** Microsoft Training Team - In this virtual training session, you will receive an overview and basic knowledge of how Microsoft Teams can support you and your students' remote learning experience. We are here to help make Learn from Home Basics and Microsoft Educator resources easy to find online and implement in your life.



## Dates to Remember:

PA Day – January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021

## Grade 7/8 Option Sheet Nights

Do you have a child approaching high school age? Option Sheet Information Nights are welcoming and practical sessions that help Grade 8 students and their parents select courses for the 2021-22 school year. For more information, please connect online with the applicable Secondary School.

## Deadline: French Immersion Registration 2020-2021 for students born in 2015

The deadline for French Immersion Online applications for Grade 1 is January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020. For more information please visit

<https://www.hwdsb.on.ca/elementary/programs/french-as-a-second-language/>

## Supporting Learning at Home

Working virtually requires us to navigate a new world of apps and uploads and downloads. Do you need support on how to navigate this new world? Check out our resource tab on our webpage which lists supports for MS Teams, the HUB and more

<https://www.hwdsb.on.ca/remoteteaching/resources/>



## French at Home:

French is learning that can be fun at home too. Consider these ideas to support oral language development offline:

- Watch a movie with the setting in French. What words do you recognize?
- Look for items around your house with labels in French. Read the labels and highlight the words that you understand.
- Go for a walk and read aloud in French the numbers that you see (street signs, house numbers)