



R.L. Hyslop Week-At-A-Glance Week of April 19th – April 23rd, 2021

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| Monday April 19 th Day 3 | Transition Day – No online learning today. | Upcoming Events April 26th – Picture Day Canceled April 28th - School Council |
| Tuesday April 20 th Day 4 | Transition Day – No online learning today Device Deployment | |
| Wednesday April 21 st Day 5 | First Day of Remote Learning | |
| Thursday April 22 nd Day 1 | | |
| Friday April 23 rd Day 2 | | |

Thought of the week:



A Message from Ms. Hogan, Vice-Principal:

I hope you have been able to enjoy a much-deserved break with your family this week and take some time to recharge after the ups and downs of the past many months. Amid this Spring Break came the announcement of a return to remote learning.

While not totally unexpected given the rapid rise in COVID-19 cases both locally and across the province, we appreciate that for so many of us, this time of transition back to full remote learning is not without its struggles.

Staff are not only better prepared for a return to online remote learning but are more cognizant of its mental health toll on students and families. However difficult this return to remote learning, we also understand that it was necessary to keep our homes, schools and communities safe. At R.L. Hyslop School, our priority continues to be the health, safety and well-being of our students and staff.

To support a successful transition to this remote learning period, Monday April 19th and Tuesday April 20th will be transition days for elementary school staff and students. If your child requires their school iPad for learning from home, please contact the school before 3:10 pm on Monday April 19th.

Before and After Care:

All before/after care school programs will be suspended during the remote learning period.

Stay Home, Stay Safe:

A stay-at-home order has been in effect since April 8th for all of Ontario. Individuals are required to stay at home except for essential items such as grocery shopping, medical appointments, and work that cannot be done remotely. We strongly encourage students, staff and families to continue to follow Public Health guidance during this remote learning period.

A declaration has been made that R.L. Hyslop has an outbreak.

Please stay home and stay safe.

Sincerely,
Ms. J. Hogan

Mental Wellness Check-Ins:

Your purpose and sense of meaning:

"For decades, psychologists have studied how long-term, meaningful goals develop over the span of our lives. The goals that foster a sense of purpose are ones that can potentially change the lives of other people, like launching an organization, researching disease, or teaching kids to read.

A sense of purpose appears to have evolved in humans so that we can accomplish big things together – which may be why it's associated with better physical and mental health. Purpose is adaptive, in an evolutionary sense.

It [helps](#) both individuals and the species to survive.”

- I feel like I’m reaching my potential.
- I feel I am growing as a person.
- I challenge myself and my thoughts about the world
- I have a sense of purpose and meaning in my life.
- It is a better world with me in it.
- I am good at things that matter to me.
- I get something out of the things I do.

https://greatergood.berkeley.edu/article/item/how_to_find_your_purpose_in_life

Our Journey to Becoming More Equity Literate

The Equity Literacy Framework:

According to the equity literacy framework, equity is not merely about giving every student what they need to succeed in an individual sense. This way of imagining equity obscures our responsibility to address institutional bias and inequity. Instead, equity is a process through which we ensure that policies, practices, institutional cultures, and ideologies are actively equitable, purposefully attending to the interests of the students and families to whose interests we have attended inequitably. By *recognizing* and deeply understanding these sorts of disparities, we prepare ourselves to respond effectively to inequity in the immediate term. We also strengthen our abilities to foster long-term change by *redressing* institutional and societal conditions that create everyday manifestations of inequity.

<https://www.equityliteracy.org/equity-literacy>

Things We Need to Know:

Attendance:

Attendance will continue to be taken once in the morning before first nutrition break and once again in the afternoon after the second nutrition break. School Messenger calls will be sent out during the first nutrition break, 10:38 – 11:18 am. School staff will be reaching out to families to determine the barrier to school attendance within the first five days of consecutive non-attendance.

In-School/Remote Learning Transitions:

As mentioned above, Monday April 19th and Tuesday April 20th will be transition days for staff. Staff will be working diligently to prepare for remote learning which will commence on Wednesday April 21st. If your child requires an iPad for remote learning, please notify us as soon as possible via our school website rlhyslop@hwdsb.on.ca or by calling the school before 3:10 pm on Monday April 19th, 2021.



Next Meeting Date: Wednesday April 28th at 6:30 pm via MS Teams. Please email our School Council Chair to ensure you are added to the Teams invite list!

For more information about School Council, please reach out to our Chair, Christine Scheewe, by email: RLHyslopSC@hwdsb.on.ca