

RedHawk Express

March 21, 2021



What a difference a week makes!

On Monday April 12, the beginning of the 4th quarter of school, all students will return to full time attendance and in-person learning. As Mr. Peters and I explained on Friday this news is a sign that life is returning to pre-pandemic routines. We recognize that this news will be welcome to some and will bring new questions for others. As such here is what we understand at this time and what remains to be addressed by the ASD-S and the Department of Education.

What we know

Practical

- ▶ Masks – always worn except when eating or in Phys. Ed/Outdoor Pursuits.
- ▶ Bathrooms will return to 2- or 3-person capacity.
- ▶ Hallways will remain uni directional.
- ▶ 10 Minute calls will cease on Monday Apr 12.
- ▶ Positive Case = Closed for 3 days
- ▶ Re-Assessment will remain as our chosen path for end of term assessments.

That for Which We are Grateful.

- ▶ Social isolation has been difficult for many and now students can see their friends daily.
- ▶ Less time on screens and more time in conversation and group work.
- ▶ Staff will be vaccinated over the coming weeks.

What we do not yet know

Practical

- ▶ Impacts on Graduation/Grad Activities/Student Council Activities
- ▶ When students will be vaccinated

Some remaining worries

- ▶ Impact this change will have on any of us. Just as we asked in March 2020, we hope that everyone will be patient with one another as we navigate this next change.
- ▶ Individual circumstances – we recommend reaching out to Mr. Peters or Mrs. Barrington if you have specific questions affecting your family.

Weekly Schedule

Mar 22-26

Monday – A-K

Tuesday – L-Z

Wednesday – A-K

Thursday – L-Z

Friday – A-K

Mar 29 – Apr 2

Monday – L-Z

Tuesday – A-K

Wednesday – L-Z

Thursday – A-K

Friday – NO SCHOOL

Upcoming Events

Tue Mar 23 → PSSC Meeting
6pm (RHS Cafeteria)

Tue Mar 30 → Grade 8
Family Info (via TEAMS)

Apr 6-9 → Re-Assessment
Week

Tue Apr 13 → Class of 2021
Graduation Planning Meeting
(ONLINE – TEAMS)

Supporting Your Students @Home

Using Technology to make Learning Easier! There are many tools within Office 365 programs that make completing assignments easier, and we will have experts on site this week to help! **Neil Squires** is a New Brunswick-based services designed to help students access up-to-date Assistive Technology (AT) information and to receive support related to the sourcing and use of Assistive Technology. Rothesay High School will have 2 individuals from Neil Squires in the building on Monday & Tuesday- if your child would like support or have questions about Assistive Technology- they can register for an appointment in room 115 or by e-mailing Tammy.Gallant@nbed.nb.ca

Adjusting to Change! With Friday's news we observed a wide variety of responses from students. Many were excited but an almost equal number were hesitant about yet another change to their school year right around the anniversary of the big change last year. Over the next three weeks it will be important to discuss the impacts of the change, ask questions of us at the school to clarify the details and to know who to see if you need help. As always Karrie Harris is the first line of support for students and Mr. Peters and Mrs. Barrington will field questions from parents & families.

Reminders and Celebrations

Thank you → Winter Sports are ending, and I would like to thank the following people for committing their time and dedication to our RedHawks Hockey program – Jane Fenwick and Mary Ann Gallagher for their quick actions as team managers & George Georgoudis, Phil Meahan, Mark Howes, Ken Fenwick, Scott Robarts for their dedication to coaching and player development. Thanks also to teachers Heather Porter and Tammy Gallant for being faculty advisors.

Course Registration Continues → Students are reminded that they must attend homeroom class daily to complete the course registration process and to receive up-to-date information about the return to school.

Gratitude Pays Off – Congratulations to Jadyn Danells for winning the St. Stephen University Gratitude competition by paying tribute to our own Ms. Johnston! These two have inspired us to practice gratitude again this week by adding to our gratitude wall – watch for sheets in the Main Hallway.

Monitoring Gradebooks– Now is the time to be reviewing grades on PowerSchool with your students. There are 9 school days left before re-assessment week and the end of Q3. Teachers have been working hard to keep gradebooks up to date – if you have questions about your students' gradebook please contact the teacher directly.

13 school days until the RedHawks are back in the Nest!

58 School Days until Graduation!

The countdown is on...

