LOCH LOMOND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



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Good Afternoon:

This is Greg Norton calling from Loch Lomond School, with a few updates regarding upcoming events at Loch Lomond School for Monday, February 1st – Friday, February 5th.

Our Orange phase requirements are now in place, as follows:

- (1.) Students from K-12 are required to wear a mask on the bus.
- (2.) Students K-8 must wear masks at all times in school unless eating, sitting quietly at their desk or during physical education class. This includes outside.
- (3.) Students in grades 9-12 must wear a mask at all times in school except when eating or during physical education class. This includes outside.
- (4.) Monitoring symptoms daily must continue, however the threshold for symptoms has returned to two (2). Those exhibiting two (2) symptoms must stay home and should be tested for COVID-19. If you or your child has symptoms, you can visit this site to do a self-assessment and book a COVID-19 test. If your child stays home due to symptoms, even with a negative COVID-19 test, students can return to school only once fever (with no medications) and/or other symptoms have been resolved for 24 hours.

As a reminder, students should have 2 clean masks with them every day. Students in grades 9-12 will practice physical distancing inside and outside of the school, keeping 1 metre apart in the classroom and 2 metres apart elsewhere. Students in K-8 will continue to be supervised within their class bubbles.

A virtual information session, regarding program selection for September 2021, will be held via TEAMS meeting for the Saint John Education Centre (greater Saint John area schools) on Monday, February 1st, 2021 at 6:30pm. Sessions typically last no more than one hour.

Information will be provided on options for Grades 1 and 6 students for the 2021-2022 school year. These options are: the English Prime Program, the Early French Immersion Program (Gr 1. entry) and the Late French Immersion Program (Gr. 6 entry).

Parents/guardians are invited to join the virtual meeting using the link below at 6:30pm on February 1st, 2021. If you have any questions, please contact your child's school. Please note, you may be prompted to download the free app to access the meeting. A copy of the presentation will be available on the ASDS website. Join on your computer or mobile app Click here to join the meeting

Friday, Feb. 5th is Yellow Shirt Day for Suicide Awareness. This day is dedicated to the prevention of deaths by suicide, awareness, and training. The Canadian Mental Health Association reminds us of the supports in place for all those who have been affected by death by suicide in some capacity. For more information please visit: https://cmha.ca/

Heritage Week, *Exploring our Past and Re-imagining our Future*, takes place February 8th - 12th at Loch Lomond School. Students in Grade 5 have an *Enrichment Opportunity* to participate in this school-wide Virtual Heritage Fair. The top two presentations will participate in the *Regional Virtual Heritage Fair*, hosted by the District. PowerPoint presentations can be submitted by February 19th. Please email Mrs. Richardson@hali.richardson.nbed.nb.ca to confirm your child's participation. Information packages will be sent home with your child.

Yours in Education,

Greg Norton Principal

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