

## LOCH LOMOND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Good Afternoon:

This is Greg Norton calling, with a few updates regarding upcoming events at LLS for Mon., Nov. 30th – Fri., Dec. 4th.

Students are strongly encouraged to report to school daily with a clean facemask and water bottle. Parent/caregivers are also reminded that if their child is experiencing one or more symptoms of COVID-19, the Government of NB offers a convenient self-assessment to book a test online:

https://www2.gnb.ca/content/gnb/en/departments/ocmoh/cdc/content/respiratory\_diseases/coronavirus/coronavirusexposu\_re.html

Parents/Caregivers and students are reminded that wearing a face masks is mandatory in public spaces, both indoors and outdoors. Outdoor public spaces include our school campus and student drop-off area. You are required to wear a community mask when outside your vehicle: <a href="https://www2.gnb.ca/content/gnb/en/corporate/promo/covid-19/recovery.html">https://www2.gnb.ca/content/gnb/en/corporate/promo/covid-19/recovery.html</a>

This year our school will be offering a new, virtual format for our Parent-Teacher conferences, using Microsoft Teams. This is a secure online connection between you and your child's teacher that is easy to use and book in advance. The booking site for our Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences on Thursday, Dec. 3rd from 4:00 – 7:00 and Friday, Dec. 4th from 9:00 – 11:00 can be found here:

https://outlook.office365.com/owa/calendar/LochLomondSchool1@nbed.onmicrosoft.com/bookings/

On Friday, December 4<sup>th</sup> people across New Brunswick will be celebrating the 10<sup>th</sup> annual Dots for Kids Day. This campaign is part of a grassroots movement that has been empowering youth, family, and community to take positive actions in support of kids' mental health since 2010.As part of the Dots for Kids Day Ring A Bell Campaign students in kindergarten to grade eight across the province will be learning about mental health and wellness in schools from November 30th - December 4th in their classes or virtually through different lesson plans, activities, and videos leading up to the main bell ringing event on Friday! The goal of the Ring A Bell Campaign is to raise awareness and inspire youth, their families, and communities to take positive actions in support of youth mental health. Our emphasis is on educating everyone in our province on the importance of taking preventative and restorative actions to improve our mental health and wellness: <a href="http://www.partnersforyouth.ca/dotsnb/ring-a-bell/">http://www.partnersforyouth.ca/dotsnb/ring-a-bell/</a>

Loch Lomond School is hosting a Virtual Scholastic Book Fair, which allows you to attend the Book Fair safely from the comfort of home from Wednesday, November 25th - Monday, December 7th. The following link will take you to our Book Fair where you can explore titles, purchase books and have them mailed directly to your home. Shipping is free for all orders over \$35.00 https://virtualbookfairs.scholastic.ca/pages/5153113

You are also invited to attend our Virtual Family Event Night, on Wednesday, November 25 and Wednesday, December 2 from 6:00 PM- 8:00 PM. All orders placed on these nights will receive FREE SHIPPING with no minimum purchase. All proceeds from this Virtual Book Fair will be used to purchase new books and resources for our school. For every \$10 spent at the book fair, up to \$6 goes directly back to Loch Lomond! Please note that orders are delivered right to your home. They are shipped withing 48 hours and can take up to 10 business days. Scholastic Canada has assured us they will make every effort to have orders delivered before Christmas. Thank you for your support! Happy reading!

- Monday, Nov. 30th Loch Lomond School will kick-off our "Kraft Dinner (KD) Christmas Tree" campaign. In direct partnership with the *Lakewood Headstart Association Inc.* food bank, our school has been challenged to donate as many boxes of KD as we can raise! Thank you for your past generosity in supporting our "Big Catch" campaign which raised cans of tuna fish for our *Lakewood Headstart Assoc. Inc.* food bank and we look forward to an equally generous campaign this December. Together we can help ensure our community food bank is well supplied and put a dent in the area of food security!
- Tuesday, Dec. 1st students will receive Home Report #1. Distribution of home reports will take place at the end of the school day for all students. There is a parent/student response form attached to your child's Provincial Report Card. We request that parents complete, sign, and return this for to your child's homeroom teacher.
- Thursday, Dec. 3rd is the International Day of Persons with Disabilities. Since its inception in 1945, the United Nations (UN) has outlined and reiterated its commitment to calling for the creation of inclusive accessible, and sustainable societies and communities most notably with the adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights in 1948 This day reflects a growing understanding that disability is part of the human condition. <a href="https://www.who.int/news-room/events/detail/2020/12/03/default-calendar/international-day-of-persons-with-disabilities">https://www.who.int/news-room/events/detail/2020/12/03/default-calendar/international-day-of-persons-with-disabilities</a>
- Friday, Dec. 4th there is no school, which is reserved for Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences throughout the morning and staff development in the afternoon.

Yours in Education,

Greg Norton, Principal

> Loch Lomond School, fostering scholarship, leadership and responsible citizenship. École Loch Lomond, développe les connaissances, le leadership et des citoyens responsables.

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