

Norwood NEWSLETTER #6

Hello again! We have completed our second week and things are going well. We have started a Facebook page where we share photos, videos, and communication. Please Like us so you can get fast information - Norwood District Public School.

- Mrs. Ostapek

School Council:

If you are interested in joining our team, please come out on October 6th at 3:45pm. We will meet in the junior yard outdoor classroom by the big tree. If you wish to nominate anyone for council roles, please contact the office.

What parents want to know:

Can my child bring a cell phone to school?

While this is entirely your choice please know that we assume no financial responsibility. We ask that you refer to our Code of Conduct on our website so you are aware of the expectations we have - Technology stays in the students backpack, it does not come out at recess or any instructional time, and if you need to reach your child you need to contact the office. At no time should any student be using their cell phone during their time on our property.

Will students have agendas this year?

Yes. Most teachers are using agendas but they will not touch them, meaning no signatures or notes will be placed directly inside. This is a tool for students to use for time management between their hands and yours.

How is it going?

A loaded question! Honestly, things are running really well. The staff have worked together to create new routines and have put a lot of time into making the classrooms safer for your kids. We are continuously problem solving and working together to create an environment that respects the distancing rules while still building our community of respectful learners, friends and colleagues. So far we think we are doing a pretty good job and hopefully, you all notice it as well!

Is the breakfast club running?

Yes it is but unlike past years we cannot serve warm food. Instead each class has a bin of food that is all pre-packaged. Teachers put items out on display so students can grab and go throughout the day without digging through the bin.

If my child shows signs of illness does their sibling also get sent home?

No. This was the case up until about a week ago when they changed the procedure. Now we only send the child with symptoms home and monitor the sibling. Follow the section in the poster, "Do not come to school if you have any of the following symptoms".



KEEP OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY SAFE



Do not come to school if...



You or someone you are in close contact with have travelled outside of Canada in the past 14 days



You have been in close contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19



You have any of the following symptoms

- Fever
- New or worse cough
- Shortness of breath
- Difficulty breathing
- Sore throat
- Headaches
- Diarrhea
- Unexplained fatigue/ malaise/muscle aches
- Chills
- Runny nose/nasal congestion without known cause
- Nausea/vomiting
- Pink eye (conjunctivitis)
- Difficulty walking
- Abdominal pain
- Decrease or loss of sense of smell or taste

If you have any of these symptoms, do not come to school, and contact your medical provider or a COVID Assessment Centre for direction. The Ontario government also has an online screening tool specifically for schools: <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/school-screening/>



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