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## REMOTE LEARNING AND THE RESTRICTED/ELEVATED ORANGE RESPONSE LEVEL PLANS FOR JANUARY 4<sup>TH</sup>-15<sup>TH</sup>

Dear SCCS Families,

As we finish off this week before our Christmas break, I would like to share with you some important information regarding remote learning during the Jan. 4<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> period, the **Restricted/Elevated Orange Response Level**. Thank you for sharing your intent regarding the remote learning period in January, as it has helped both administration and staff to plan accordingly for the two-week period.

As you are aware, this will be a unique two-week period as we will have all our Grs. 7 & 8 students learning remotely from home, a few students from K-6 learning from home and most of our students in K-6 learning in school. This will not be like the remote learning we did in the spring. Both the learning and the assessment components are very different.

The learning focus for our remote learners during this remote learning period will focus on the 4 core subject areas: English Language Arts, Math, Science and Social Studies. Religion, Music, French, and Phys. Ed. will also be addressed, and assignments will be dependent on the grade level/teacher. Please be advised that remote learning in all subject areas, including the 4 core will look different depending on your child's grade level.

As stated in my previous email regarding remote learning, students will receive instruction and work in a variety of ways, such as online learning, pre-recorded videos, prepared take home packages, as well as email. Again, this is dependent on your child's grade level. Teachers, specifically in the younger grades, will be sending home remote learning work packages by Dec. 18<sup>th</sup>, so you will have what you need before Christmas holidays begin. Packages **will not** be available after the break.

All teachers will be sending their families an email this week which will outline specific information for your child at their grade level, plus the expectations required.

Here are some general expectations that will be required:

- All students are expected to participate and attend class on-line. Attendance will be taken and recorded. Administration will be kept up to date if a student is not participating.
- All assigned work is for credit...this is not like last spring. Student expectation is that they will do/submit their work when it is assigned. PowerSchool should reflect student marks/assignments as per usual.
- Teachers will provide clear expectations to their families as to how to submit finished assignments.
- Teacher websites will be kept up to date.

If your child happens to be ill sometime during the period of remote learning, they may have an option to log in virtually to their class, but please note, this is not an expectation as many packages/information are being sent home prior to the Christmas break and teachers will not have time to do any "set up" once remote learning begins. This is where classroom websites and email are helpful for both home and school.

For our Gr. 6 students who are currently learning between two classrooms already, during the two-week remote learning period all students will be moved to the current Gr. 7 classroom on their first day back, Jan. 4<sup>th</sup>, Period 1. This will help Middle Years teachers with in-class learning as well as remote learning. All Gr. 6 students are invited and encouraged to bring technology to school during the remote learning time as well to aid in their daily lessons.

As we navigate yet another change in our school year, I just want to express my sincere gratitude for the many emails and conversations of support that I, as well as my staff, have received from the parent community. I cannot begin to express how important they have been to all the SCCS staff and knowing that we have your support has been amazing! Thank you so very much!

If you have any questions regarding this communication about the remote learning period in January, please do not hesitate to contact me, <u>tnarynski@stccs.ca</u>

Sincerely,

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