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Greetings Parents and Guardians,

As we pivot to remote learning, we wanted to purvey more information. Firstly, please know that we have worked diligently to train children with technology; with an increased effort to review over the next few days. We are confident children will know their routines and how to use their tools. Remote learning will be different from what students experienced in the spring. Teachers have been trained and will be utilizing the computer platforms which they have been using since September. Kindergarten has just received their tablets and are learning to use them.

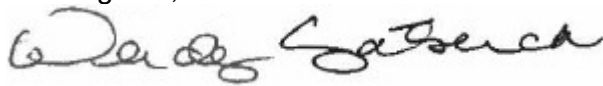
You will be hearing from your child's teacher shortly with more specifics, but we will aim to replicate the school day, with universal lunch and set times and daily specials, which are required. A daily schedule will be posted in your child's Google Classroom so that students and parents can plan their school day to fully participate in all of the learning activities as directed by their teacher. Teachers will be assessing student progress using a variety of tools. The school day will begin as usual at 9:25, at which time students should be logging in and following the day's schedule and any other teacher directions. Monday through Friday the school day will run from 9:25-3:05. Attendance will be taken daily in PowerSchool.

On Tuesday November 17th, children will be bringing home their bins, Chromebooks, chargers, and any necessary materials. We are busy adding to bins as we write. Next Wednesday and Thursday teachers will be posting an attendance question and independent work for students to complete. Teachers will not be available for students those days as they will be transition planning during the school day. On Friday, November 20th, we will be ready to launch a synchronous learning experience. Wednesday, November 25th, will be a half day of school as planned.

Regarding other logistics, meals will be available daily for curbside pickup for ALL Region #14 students from 12:00pm - 1:30 pm at both Bethlehem Elementary and Mitchell Elementary Schools. The monthly menus will be available on the Region 14 Website [Food Services](#). If students experience any difficulties with their devices, they should contact their teacher and the teacher will facilitate the next steps to resolve the issue. For students who receive special services, service delivery will be at scheduled times and you will hear from case managers about your child's schedule.

Lastly, we want you to know we are here for children and you. We will reassure your children that they are capable; we will continue to see their faces; and hopefully the time will pass quickly. We are most grateful for the messages of encouragement we have received from parents. More communication to follow.

Best regards,



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