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Greetings parents and guardians,

We are writing to further clarify our remote learning plans.

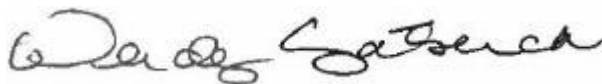
Teachers have been given a guide and a master building schedule and individual classroom schedules will exist so as to revolve around scheduled specials. We will aim to replicate the existing school day as best as possible, while considering scheduling recommendations for improved remote learning. Teachers will be opening their day with a live Google Meet, and lessons will be small group, whole group, and include some independent work, and individualized meetings. There may also be pre-recorded lessons or videos. Teachers will be available in real time to students, and in the event they are working with multiple students and there are any questions, our day will end with live open office hours. There will be a universal lunch period for the convenience of families with multiple students, as well as several screen/ brain breaks daily. More details will follow shortly and you will receive an email and daily schedule information from your children's teachers. Schedules will also be posted in the Google Classrooms for all classes.

We ask that you demonstrate confidence in your children and are sure you will find them far better prepared this time and more proficient with their technology. Any issues or glitches that arise will be supported, and children will not be penalized as we work through any issues. Also, workload will be adjusted as we roll out, and we will send out a survey within a week or so for feedback on what we need to adjust.

We will continue to be flexible as this evolves, and have worked diligently to be consistent and prepared for something that normally might have taken much longer to launch or plan. We understand that there is some anxiety around all of this, and we will work through this together. We very much want this to be manageable. We appreciate your patience as we launch remote learning. Students should be ready to log into their Google Classrooms Friday at 9:25 a.m. Friday is a half day of remote learning, as elementary conferences will take place in the afternoon.

We also know that for some families there are constraints that may be beyond your control, and ask that you speak to your children's teachers and/or reach out to principals if you are dealing with extenuating circumstances.

Warm regards,



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