



PRINCESS ELIZABETH PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Dear Princess Elizabeth Families:

As you are aware, the Ministry of Education announced that on Monday, April 19, instead of returning to in-person learning, schools will be moving to remote learning.

This means that all students will be engaging in learning with their homeroom and/or subject teachers online.

This decision was made in response to the rising COVID-19 cases, to keep students, staff, and our community safe.

If your child needs a device to access online learning, please click on this link and fill in the information. If you have emailed me previously this week we would greatly appreciate you filling out this form so we can track our computers.

[CLICK HERE TO REQUEST A DEVICE](#)

We will be at the school on Monday, April 19th, 2021 to handout tech from the hours of **10 am - 3pm**. You do not need a specified time to pick it up if you submitted a request. **Simply come between those hours, give your name and your child's name and we will have a device ready for you.** As always, you are welcome to visit our school website "Families Getting Connected Online" tab to view tutorials that will support your access to the platforms we will be using. If for some reason you are unable to pick up a device on Monday, please email me personally to make arrangements as we are all being encouraged to work from home due to the "Stay at home order."

Because this learning from home period is not anticipated to be a long one, we will not be allowing family/student access to the building to gather personal belongings except for emergency circumstances.

You will be contacted by your child's homeroom teacher on Monday, April 19th, with more information. Elementary students who returned to in-person learning, from the virtual school, with an April 19 start will participate in online learning with their new "Home School Teacher".

I would like to acknowledge how challenging this can be for many. As a parent myself, I can empathize greatly with the challenges that virtual learning can bring. I am confident in the programming our amazing teachers are pivoting to provide, however, we need you to know we support you 100 percent and if you are having challenges please be sure to let your child's teacher know. Every single home situation is different, from people working outside of the home, people working from home, numerous siblings working at the same time etc. so you need to do what is best for your family. We know our PE students are capable of amazing things and can rise to the challenge and we simply ask that they try their best. There will be days where they are unable to log in online and that is ok. There will be days where for your own mental health or your child's you choose to take advantage of a

beautiful day and get outside and that is ok! Just know we support all your efforts and are always here to help the best we can given these unprecedented times.

We greatly appreciate your support as we move back into the online learning format. Though this isn't how we had hoped to return from our break, we will work together in providing meaningful learning experiences while learning from home. We are confident in our practices and know our schools are safe places for staff and students, and we are looking forward to returning to in person learning as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Sinnett, Principal

Mrs. Falardeau, Vice-Principal