



## **Principal Blog**

**June 22, 2020**

Well, none of us would have thought that we would be ending the year with students and teachers not in the school. The pandemic has truly changed all of us in the last few months, and I truly wish we had students and teachers working in the school rather than virtually at home. I am thankful though that our families and staff have stayed healthy and safe.

As we complete the official school year I want to thank all the teachers, who have had to make considerable adjustments these last few months to accommodate on-line learning. They have all done a fabulous job and I appreciate all their work throughout the school year and during this challenging time.

A thank you to all students for all their work this past year and for those students who worked hard on Supplemental Learning these past few months as well as the parents who worked alongside your children. Keeping your child involved and focused will help them transition back into school in September and set them up for success.

As you know, the Government has given permission for students to come back to school in September. They recently informed us that we will have additional cleaning responsibilities, but the plan is for all students to return. We will continue to receive updates from the Saskatchewan Government and Regina Public Schools. We will of course adhere to guidelines they put in place and will update you when we know.

A reminder that families can pick up their report cards on Thursday, June 25<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. We will be asking parents to fill out a form that states students' names and grades and we will have myself, Mrs. Spock and staff assist you. We will ask you to park in the Cortoba parking lot and we will also request social distancing. Parents will fill out the form and wait outside for report cards. Thank you in advance for your assistance in following proper COVID-19 protocols.

As we look towards the fall, please remember that students will receive their class placement information as well as the supply list for the fall in their report card. (for elementary students) Please note that we do take considerable consideration of where students are placed and do not make changes to which class your child will be in next year.

We will also continue to have a staggered recess next year like we did this year. In the past year we have had Preschool – Grade 5 recess at 10:30 a.m. and 2:15 p.m. The Grades 6, 7, & recess at 10:15 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. All students have had recess from 12:40 – 12:55 as well. With the potential new restrictions we may need to adjust the recess times to accommodate social distancing.

Starting date for students will be on Tuesday, September 1, 2020 at 8:30 a.m. Please note that our school times may change depending on the guidelines and potential restrictions in place due to COVID-19.

The school will be open officially on Thursday, August 27<sup>th</sup> with teachers beginning on that date. For parents who need to purchase new uniforms. Please come on Thursday, August 27<sup>th</sup> p.m., Friday, August 28<sup>th</sup> or Monday, August 31<sup>st</sup>. Uniforms can also be purchased the first day of school, Tuesday, September 1<sup>st</sup>.

A special thank you to our Board members:

President: Dr. Aboguddah

Vice-President: Mr. Bouzertit

Member: Mr. Almughrabi

Member: Mr. Bashar

They have been instrumental in making key decisions and assisting the school in making informative decisions on behalf of the staff, students and community in the school.

As we head into the summer I wish all our staff students and families a healthy and safe vacation. We have missed you all and we all are looking forward to seeing you at the beginning of September.

Sincerely,  
Starla Nistor