



March 20, 2020

Hello Everyone

As the situation with the coronavirus (COVID19) continues to evolve, we want to reassure all parents that the staff of Jack Stuart School will continue to support your children and their learning. Remember that these are unprecedented times, so please take the time to slow down and take care of yourselves first.

We are all entering a new and very unique experience in our lives. There is no need to feel pressured to resume a typical "school day". You don't have to worry that your child will be 'behind' - we are in this together. We all need time to adjust to the new way of being, to grieve what is being lost, to be reassured that all will be well, and to nurture our mental, emotional and physical well being. So breathe, deep inhale in, deep exhale out and repeat as many times as needed. Together, we will continue to support your children's learning, even though it may look very different.

We start spring break tomorrow, so please treat this as a spring break. Our staff will be on spring break and are taking time for themselves to rest, recharge and refresh from the current situation. You will not receive any communication from the teachers or school during spring break.

Our plan starting on March 30 will be the sharing of learning by your child's teacher. For those families that require print material, we will have that available to you. On March 30, the east side door of the gym will be opened starting from 10 am until 2 pm for families to pick up print materials. Who can pick up the materials? Neighbour, sitter, family members, etc. What if March 30 does not work for me? Please contact your teacher to let us know what will work for you. Remember we are not expecting you to have everything we send out completed in a couple of days. Take your time. We don't want you or your child to stress about the work. Then each Monday after March 30 will be the drop off of print materials/library books or communication and pick up any new materials/communication if needed. We will send out a message to remind you of the pickup and drop off.

With all our love  
The staff of Jack Stuart