Hello Ecole Notre Dame Families

As you know, on November 24, 2020, Premier Kenney announced that elementary students would return to learning online for one week following Christmas Break (Jan. 4-8) and then resume face-to-face education on January 11, 2021.

We want to ensure that you know what is happening as we move from face-to-face to online programming. We aim to make this a seamless transition. In addition to this communication, you will receive information from teachers directly by Friday, December 18, 2020. Teachers will be in direct contact with parents and students to provide student expectations for online learning, attendance, and engagement.

Some items for consideration so that your immediate questions are addressed:

- **Engage Student Learning:** As we transition Pre-K to Grade 6 students to online learning for one week, we will maintain the same attendance and engagement expectations for our students. We expect students to attend online at the start of each class by being on time and on camera. Parents may communicate with their school and teacher if there are barriers to their child’s ability to meet this expectation.
- **Personal Items:** Students will be asked to take personal items and learning material home by **Friday, December 18, 2020.**
- **Communication:** Students will be given clear expectations from their teachers about how to engage in online learning. This communication will be provided prior to leaving for Christmas break.
- **Technology:** If your child requires access to a school Chromebook please contact the office prior to Dec. 18.
- **Counsellors:** Students can continue to connect with Mrs. Richard for various supports and services. Mrs. Richard is accessible via email at mrichard@gsacrd.ab.ca
- **Student Needs:** Students who have other needs not listed but which you would like to discuss for support, please first work with your child’s teacher to see what might be manageable.

We would like to thank students for their anticipated effort and engagement in online learning. We are also sincerely appreciative of the support and understanding of parents/legal guardians and families. Blessings to students, staff and families as we all “arise” to meet these new challenges and opportunities.

Stay healthy, stay safe, stay kind.

Yours in Catholic Education,
Ryan O’Gorman - Principal