Hello END Families,
Please refer to this week’s edition of the Husky Howler to stay informed of important information and events happening at END!

Calendar
April 6 - Students return to school
April 7 - Virtual Parent Council - 6:00 PM
April 9 - Kindergarten Graduation Photos
April 12 - Virtual Resurrection Celebration
April 23 - PD/Staff Meeting - No school for students

Arise! - Living our Faith

We wish all our families a blessed Easter and Easter season! Prior to Spring Break, our students and faculty participated in a virtual Way of the Cross, taking time to reflect on the sacrifices Jesus made for all of humanity. We look forward to celebrating His resurrection with a whole school virtual celebration on April 12, inviting students and staff an opportunity to reflect, pray and celebrate the glory of Christ’s resurrection! We culminated our Lenten service project of ‘Chores for Change’, collecting over $800, that will be donated to Chalice to help purchase water storage tanks for an Raiuku primary school in Kenya.

School Spirit

Though we find ourselves navigating some challenging times we are still finding ways to provide fun and safe activities for our school community. The week prior to spring break, students participated in a ‘Winter Fun Day’, where our classroom cohorts participated in differing fun outdoor activities! We have brought back our ‘Positive Ticket’ draw, which seeks to recognize students who showcase positive, respectful, safe and kind behaviours. At the end of each week all students who earned a positive ticket are entered into a draw that is broadcast live throughout the school at the end of the week for the opportunity to win a small prize! Also our thank our Parent Council who has continued to provide small treats for our students throughout the year!
COVID Protocols Update

As we continue to address the pandemic and continually seek to ensure the health and safety of our students and staff, we are maintaining ALL school based protocols. This includes but is not limited to:

- Cohorting of students
- Mandatory Masks for all staff and students in grade 4 & 5
- Masks are highly recommended for students in Kindergarten - Grade 3
- School access is restricted to staff and students
- Students are not to bring treats or toys in for the class
  - Staff may share individually packaged and sanitized ‘treats’ for students
- Following all AHS guidelines for both students and staff when an individual may be symptomatic
- For further information please review the GSACRD Parent Handbook

We are asking that Parents/families do not congregate and gather around the school and park at both the beginning and end of the day.

Student Drop off and Pick Up
If you are dropping off or picking up your child from school we ask all parents and guardians to do so in a safe and patient manner. It is highly encouraged that parents/guardians park on the street and walk to the school to collect their child(ren) to reduce congestion in the school parking lot. Administration has begun discussions with our town and traffic safety partnerships to review our current drop off/pick up & parking infrastructure. However, this process will take time to review and we want to continue to ensure the safety of all, so please be patient, be kind and follow all traffic regulations.

Parent Council
We continue to encourage families to consider participating in our Parent Council and Parent Fundraising Committee, both groups support our school in a number of ways and help ensure we at Ecole Notre Dame are serving all our families to the best of our abilities. Our next Parent Council meeting will be held on April 7, at 6:00 PM. This meeting will be available via Google Meet, the link to the meeting will be shared with all families on April 7.

Protocols for when students may be sick or showing symptoms of illness.
As we continue to be proactive in ensuring the health and wellness of students and staff at END, we ask that families follow the outlined expectations regarding illness at school as identified in the GSACRD Parent Guidebook for Re-entry.

COVID-19 Symptom List for Children - Effective Nov. 2
Core Symptoms
- Fever
- Cough
- Shortness of breath
- Loss of taste and smell

A child with one or more of these symptoms MUST isolate for 10 days. They can return to school earlier if they have a negative COVID - 19 test, are NOT a close contact of a positive case and symptoms are gone.

Other Symptoms
- Chills
- Sore throat/painful swallowing
- Runny or congested nose
- Feeling unwell/fatigued
- Nausea, vomiting or diarrhea
- Loss of appetite
- Muscle/joint aches
- Headache
- Pink eye

A child with only ONE of the ‘other’ symptoms must stay home and be monitored for 24 hours. If the symptom is improving, they can return to school when they are feeling well enough to go.

A child with two of more of the ‘other’ symptoms - or one symptom that is getting worse - must stay home until symptoms are gone or he/she has a negative COVID - 19 test result.

In order to assist students who are away from school for an extended period of time, ALL teachers are updating their google classrooms & websites to include material of daily lessons. Arrangements to pick up hard copies of material can be made with your child's classroom teacher. We thank all our families for their ongoing understanding and support!