**This Week at WLE – April 6**



**Superintendent’s Message**

Please review the latest newsletter from the district attached to this email. Below is a video message from our Superintendent of Schools, Gord Stewart. Click here to view

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9kIqDuvoFYY&t=1s](https://can01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.youtube.com%2Fwatch%3Fv%3D9kIqDuvoFYY%26t%3D1s&data=02%7C01%7Cclambiepottersmith%40sd35.bc.ca%7C7f9763de0a42443c27b708d7d826a897%7Cfcabfaaef80a4f74b6a7ba15c2a4bb24%7C0%7C0%7C637215532871992568&sdata=3oDa%2FP66e2kxMpWorLP%2BZjjMZziumAZ99LLUXseaO4s%3D&reserved=0)

**General Information**

This week, we have been calling families with the purpose of connecting and gathering information on how to best support the learning needs of your child/children and to check-in on how you and your family are doing.  Next week will be used for teachers to plan for the Continuity of Learning.  Remote Learning will begin April 14th.  In the meantime, we would like to suggest reading for 30 minutes a day, getting outside to exercise, play together and select some activities from the resources listed on this website [https://www.openschool.bc.ca/keeplearning/](https://can01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.openschool.bc.ca%2Fkeeplearning%2F&data=02%7C01%7Cclambiepottersmith%40sd35.bc.ca%7C7f9763de0a42443c27b708d7d826a897%7Cfcabfaaef80a4f74b6a7ba15c2a4bb24%7C0%7C0%7C637215532871452878&sdata=EvBX8weEbgIyBKVYhH2grL8NT57Wig59tAXeFLpB6Lw%3D&reserved=0).

We will continue with our “This Week at WLE”.  There may be circumstances where more than one communication is needed. As you can appreciate, the landscape of managing the situation we find ourselves in is changing regularly.



**West Langley Lions Learning Together**

We may not be together in one building, but we are a community learning together apart for now! Please consider sending Ms. Potter-Smith pictures of you and your family learning and playing together that you are willing to have us share on Instagram/twitter. We will share them out weekly as another way of staying connected as a learning community. (This is meant to be a low pressure fun activity!) Photos can be sent to clambiepottersmith@sd35.bc.ca.

 **Access to supplies and student belongings**

For health and safety reasons, we will continue to limit access to the school.  Our Chief Public Health Officer of Canada, Dr. Theresa Tam and the BC Provincial Health Officer, Dr. Bonnie Henry, have both stated that the next few weeks are critical in flattening the curve of the spread of COVID 19.  If you have a critical need, such as needing medication, please call the school to set-up an appointment between 8:30 am and 3:30 pm Monday to Friday (I know Ms. Swerdan misses everyone!).  More information on how to access your student’s essential school supplies and belongings will be sent out early next week.

**Did you pay for a fieldtrip?**

For those fees that have been previously collected, here is a message from our District:

 Refunds:

As the current situation is still evolving, schools will be issuing refunds at the end of each month for cancelled items and events. If your payments were made online the refund will be processed back to your credit card or bank account within the first five days of the following month. If your payment was made by cash or cheque, your school will issue a cheque as soon as possible after the month end if the collective amount owed to your family is over $30. If the amount is less than $30, payment will be made after June 20th in order to minimize the number of cheques a school has to issue. Any scheduled payments have been put on hold until May 1, 2020. This will be revisited in mid-April.

**Parent Resources**

1. Telus is starting a new program to provide free Internet to Families who need it as well as refurbished devices to families who need them for continuity of learning: [https://www.telus.com/en/about/company-overview/community-investment/how-we-give/cause-campaigns/internet-for-good](https://can01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.telus.com%2Fen%2Fabout%2Fcompany-overview%2Fcommunity-investment%2Fhow-we-give%2Fcause-campaigns%2Finternet-for-good&data=02%7C01%7Cclambiepottersmith%40sd35.bc.ca%7C7f9763de0a42443c27b708d7d826a897%7Cfcabfaaef80a4f74b6a7ba15c2a4bb24%7C0%7C0%7C637215532871452878&sdata=pRiyyUqnCt5GUQDLzi9APaljEAVcmcBxhaTJSZFX8N4%3D&reserved=0)

1. The Ministry has put together a parent website with resources for them to support learning. This will be a fantastic resource to share with parents for those that want to get going in Week 1 and 2 without teacher guidance. We will put a link to this on our own website but here it is!  [https://www.openschool.bc.ca/keeplearning/](https://can01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.openschool.bc.ca%2Fkeeplearning%2F&data=02%7C01%7Cclambiepottersmith%40sd35.bc.ca%7C7f9763de0a42443c27b708d7d826a897%7Cfcabfaaef80a4f74b6a7ba15c2a4bb24%7C0%7C0%7C637215532871982577&sdata=JrOpBh4iFfzzRrYn%2FCReaQX1JYatAGU6BK613c6vtTU%3D&reserved=0)

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