

WEST LYNN PUBLIC SCHOOL



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Upcoming Important Days

- January 18, PA Day
- January 22, Last Day for Remote Learning
- January 25, First Day for In-Class Learning



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Hello and Welcome!

Happy 2021! On behalf of all staff at West Lynn Public School, we want to wish you all a wonderful start to 2021. It's not what we all hoped for, but I know we are all determined and committed to making sure that January provides a great start to our learning in 2021. As always, your child's teacher is your best source for information should you have any questions regarding your child's learning, remote or otherwise.



Remote Learning

Remote Learning is schedule to continue until January 22, with in-class learning commencing January 25. During remote learning teachers will be adhering to their in-class schedules as best as possible and will be teaching the entire curriculum. This is different from last year, when the time and content requirements were very limited. It is expected that students engage in their synchronous learning via Microsoft Teams daily as attendance will be taken, just like it would be if students were in school. Typically, schedules and instructions will be posted in the classroom teachers' Brightspace page. Contact your child's teacher for more information!

Digital Code of Conduct

Remote Learning provides a host of new tools and ways for students to communicate with their classmates and teacher, and share their learning. Please remind your child that the rules and procedures for the safe and responsible use of school resources by students do not change during remote learning. West Lynn educators want every child to have a safe and productive experience while working from home. Earlier in the school year all West Lynn families received and completed the Student Acceptable Use of Computers and the Internet Agreement which outlined the acceptable use of technology resources. The Digital Citizenship component of that form is included here:

Grand Erie School Board

Code of Digital Citizenship

PROTECT

- I will not post information online that will put myself or others at risk.
- I will report any online attacks or inappropriate behaviour directed at myself or others.
- I will protect myself, my passwords and my resources.
- I will protect others by not forwarding inappropriate communications or materials.
- I will refrain from pirating or distributing digital resources that aren't free or don't belong to me.
- I will verify the accuracy of online information.

RESPECT

- I will give thoughtful consideration as to what personal information about my life, experiences and relationships I post.
- I will respect myself and others through my online actions and responses.
- I will not use electronic media to insult, bully, harass or stalk other people.
- I will not visit sites that are inappropriate.
- I will request permission to use online resources when necessary and cite all references to websites, books, media, etc.
- I will respect all equipment and all resources available to me.

Teachers have and will continue to spend time reinforcing the proper use of these digital tools and platforms while we re learning remotely. Thank you for your understanding and support. Together we will ensure the best outcomes and experience for all our students.

January is Kindergarten Registration Month

Any children who will be four years of age by December 31, 2021 are eligible to start school in September, 2021. If you know of any families who qualify, please advise them to call the school at their earliest convenience to begin the registration process. The Board online registration tool is (temporarily) unavailable.

Virtual Loonie and Toonie Drive for the Food Bank

Thank you for your support! West Lynn Public School sent a nice cheque donation to our local foodbank just in time for Christmas!

Picture Day in 2021

Please stay tuned for updates regarding the date and time for student pictures. Remote Learning has required adjustments to the times shared in December's newsletter.

