

# **MAGEE SECONDARY SCHOOL**

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## Magee News 12 March 2021

Magee staff wish our students a great socially distanced and still masked Spring Break! We look forward to seeing you on Monday 29 March, 1.2 Contact!

#### 1. School updates.

Quarter four ... preparing for back to normal!

Parents will have received an email/letter from the School Board regarding changes to the Covid-hybrid model that we have implemented during Quarters one, two and three: Starting in quarter four- from Monday 26<sup>th</sup> April we will maximize in class learning while maintaining the essential aspects of the health and safety framework that has been so effective in keeping kids and families safe in our schools during quarters 1-3.

In essence, for all grades we are moving away from hybrid (contact and online) learning while keeping the low class sizes (which is key to in-class social distancing). **Grade 8 and 9** students (who have lower Covid transmission and risk profiles) will attend school every day for two hours and 45 minutes- wherever possible in their morning (session 1 and LRT/Flex A) **or** afternoon (session 2 and LRT/Flex B) cohort.

**Grade 10, 11, and 12 students** will attend a full morning or afternoon block (two hours and 45 minutes) twice a week, and three times per week their current am/pm block (one hour and 45 minutes).

Students wanting to attend school all day can do so within their class cohorts.

Over the spring break teachers and admin will be planning for these changes, and from April 12-23 we will be explaining this revised model in greater detail to students ... and updates will be sent to parents and students through direct email, Magee News, Teams, and posted to our webpage.

On a very different note, for those Magee families who do have dogs and who use the school's fields please ...

- Have dogs on leash when on school grounds;
- Owners must pick up after your pet;
- Dogs are not allowed on the school fields if/when a match is occurring (sadly, with Covid, this rule becomes redundant because we have no organised sport!).

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 Please do not have dogs on the fields when students arrive/are leaving, and please understand that some students and families may be nervous around dogs.

#### Club news ...

Last week I reported on the skateboard club... another amazing club is <u>Magee Outliers</u>. The club's goal is to extend student experience into what is captured in much of the new curriculum- a shift to experience and passion-based learning, and a reflection on life learning and skills (core competencies). The student contributions to their webpage, for example, are quite phenomenal- please take a look at the link above or consider (grade 12) **Megan Soo's** <u>post</u>.

#### Attention Graduating Class of 2021!

A big thank you to all those who have already had their Artona graduating photo taken! However, there are over 50 of you who have not yet done so. If you want ... it is not too late to get your Graduating photo taken for inclusion in this year's **Magee Yearbook 2021**! Time is running out so get this done as soon as possible please! Here are the <u>links...</u> and <u>here ...</u>



<u>Contact Artona</u> by booking online or contact them by phone or 'live chat'!

Your last chance to watch Mainstage's **Homesick – Two Nights of One Acts** in the 'live' format is tonight! Due to Covid, our amazing Mainstage company has created a stream-able version of their one act work this year so you can enjoy our student's work at your leisure over Spring Break! The students worked very hard in their partnerships to learn their characters and bring them to life on stage, while being filmed. Tickets are \$5 for a night or \$10 for a family viewing ticket to a night. Tonight's performances do have a PG-13 warning for language. The shows can be watched and tickets bought until the end of Spring Break. Tickets are available

<u>here</u>

### COVID updates!!

On pg.4 please find the updated **COVID-19 Daily Health Assessment** form. This form aligns with the advice from the most recent (February 4, 2021) updates for schools from the BC Center for Disease Control and Ministry of Education.

Please review this form daily with your child(ren) before they arrive at school. It is very important that any student who reports COVID-19 symptoms stay home. Like previous health assessments, this form asks if your child has:

- Any COVID-19 symptoms
- Travelled internationally in the last 14 days
- Been contacted and directed to stay home by public health.

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#### BC K-12 Daily Health Tracker app

The Ministry of Education has also created a **BC K-12 Daily Health Checker app** to support daily health checks for students. This application is free, available in both Apple and android versions, and can be used in place of the new VSB Daily Health Assessment form. No personal information is collected by this application, however, the grade range selected within the app is tracked so that the Ministry of Education can better understand the application usage demographics. The K12 Daily Health Check app can be accessed by clicking <u>here</u>.

As always, those experiencing symptoms of illness may also use the BC Self-Assessment Tool "Thrive Health" by visiting <u>www.thrive.health/bc-self-assessment-tool</u>.

#### **MARCH EVENTS:**

16-27 March: Spring break!!

#### **STANDING LINKS:**

VSB Webpage: Please click <u>here</u> Magee School Webpage: Please click <u>here</u> Magee on twitter: <u>https://twitter.com/MageeLion</u> Magee PAC: Please click <u>here</u> Magee Fundraising: Please click <u>here</u> Magee Music society: Please click <u>here</u>

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# **COVID-19 Daily Health Assessment**

All parents, guardians, and/or caregivers have the responsibility to conduct a Daily Health Assessment of <u>your child(ren)</u> each day before sending them to school.

Similarly, all VSB staff must complete a Daily Health Assessment and confirm completion each day at sign-in or with their supervisor. Do not return this form to your school/supervisor.

Keep a copy of this Daily Health Assessment in a handy area at home (such as in your kitchen) and incorporate this Daily Health Assessment into your morning routine, before leaving for school or work.

Daily Health Assessment				
1. COVID-19 Symptoms		Do you have any of the following symptoms?		
Fever (over 38°C)		YES	NO	
Chills		YES	NO	
Cough or worsening of chronic cough		YES	NO	
Difficulty breathing		YES	NO	
Loss of sense of smell or taste		YES	NO	
Sore throat		YES	NO	
Loss of appetite		YES	NO	
Extreme fatigue or tiredness		YES	NO	
Headache		YES	NO	
Body aches		YES	NO	
Nausea and vomiting		YES	NO	
Diarrhea		YES	NO	
2. International Travel	Have you returned from travel outside Canada in the last 14 days?	YES	NO	
3. Close Contact	Have you had contact with a person who has COVID-19? You would have been advised of this by Public Health.	YES	NO	
4. Isolate	Have you been told to isolate by Public Health?	YES	NO	

#### WHAT TO DO NEXT

If you answered "No" to all of the above (1-4), the student or staff member is welcome to attend school or work.

#### 1. If you answered "Yes" to any of the above symptoms, follow the instructions below:

SYMPTOMS		WHAT TO DO	
Fever (above 38°C) Chills Cough	Loss of sense of smell or taste Difficulty breathing	1 or more of these symptoms: Get tested and stay home.	
Sore throat Loss of appetite Headache Body aches	Extreme fatigue or tiredness Nausea or vomiting Diarrhea	If you have 1 symptom: Stay home until you feel better. If you have 2 or more of these symptoms: Stay home and wait 24 hours to see if you feel better. Get tested if not better after 24 hours.	

**2. If you answered "Yes" to travelling internationally** within the last 14 days, Self-quarantine for 14 days at home from the date that you arrived back in Canada.

#### 3. If you answered "Yes" to being a Public Health confirmed close contact of someone who has COVID-19, Self-isolate at home for 14 days. If you also have any symptoms or develop any, get tested for COVID-19. Note: People who are close contacts are notified by Public Health.

4. If you answered "Yes" to having been told to isolate, you must stay home until Public Health says it is safe to return

Access the BC COVID-19 Self-Assessment Tool (<u>https://bc.thrive.health/covid19/en</u>) anytime to determine if you/your child should seek testing for COVID-19.

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