

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Lockerby Composite School's weekly news on Viking academics, events, extra-curriculars, and more!

HEALTHY ACTIVE LIVING AT LOCKERBY

Our Healthy Active Living Vikings enjoyed some fresh air and fun at the Science North Skating Path this week!









LOCKERBY

THE SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

YOU SUNK MY BATTLESHIP

This past week, our Grade 9 French Immersion geography students applied what they learned about latitude and longitude concepts in a competitive and game of Battleship!







STUDENT COUNCIL - MASKED DJ (WEEK 2)

The second reveal of Lockerby's Masked DJ happened this past Monday! This week's masked staff member had previously been taught by Ms. Benton and currently has a small, yet powerful class mascot...last week's Masked DJ was...Mr. Mr. James! This week, we heard songs from Rush, Duran Duran, and a tune entitled 'I Like Birds' by the Eels. Who could this week's Masked DJ be?



VIKING ATHLETICS UPDATE

The following teams will be continuing their return to train and competition next week:

- Junior and Senior Girls Volleyball (Mr. Beausoleil)
- Nordic Skiing (Mr. Abols & Mme Stanyon)
- Curling (Ms. Augenstein)
- Boys Basketball return to train only on Tuesday & Thursday from 2:30pm - 4:15pm (Mr. Binks)



THIS WEEK IN VIKINGS ATHLETICS . . .

Under ideal conditions, this past Thursday, our Nordic Ski team travelled to Windy Lake to compete in a Preliminary Race before the SDSSAA City Championships next Thursday at Walden Cross Country. Top finishes included Atom T. at 18:08min (4th - Junior Boys), Aleks D. at 19:20min (8th - Junior Boys), Aiden L.-M. at 19:48min (9th Junior Boys), James B. at 22:47min, Travis A. at 17:00min (3rd Senior Boys), Konrad S.-H. at 18:12min (5th Senior Boys), Lauren P. at 17:47min (1st Junior Girl and 1st Overall), Ivy K.H. at 21:36min (3rd Junior Girls), Bay J. at 22:24min (6th Junior Girls), Maxx C at 12:52min (1st Junior Girl 3k), Evy P. at 14:25min (4th Junior Girl 3k), and Ella S. at 17:47min. The coaches would like to congratulate all of the athletes! Practices continue all this week and racers are encouraged to get in an extra set this weekend.







KIDS CARING FOR KIDS CANCER DRIVE - 2021

A message from Lockerby's Kids Caring for Kids Cancer Drive Committee:

Hey Vikings, your Cancer Drive Committee is just popping-in to let you know our Cancer Drive masks are still for sale. They are going for just \$12 on School Cash Online. After you have purchased your masks, you can pick them up at any time from Mrs. Rodriguez's classroom, Room 205. In addition to mask sales, we are excited to say that we have a lot of fun stuff planned for all of you in the upcoming months leading to the Cancer Drive. We hope you're as excited as we are! April is Cancer Drive month and we will be launching our fundraiser at the beginning of April. Stay tuned to your morning announcements and this weekly newsletter for more details later in March.





Lockerby Kids Caring for Kids Cancer Drive: Remembering Laura Cotesta

Donate Now

How to access School Cash Online:

- Open the website rainbowschools.schoolcashonline.com
- Create your account.
- Confirm your email.
- Add your child(ren) to your account.
- Choose the Cancer Drive sweatshirts and masks of your choice.

How to donate to Lockerby's Kids Caring for Kids Cancer Drive through the Northern Cancer Foundation (NCF):

As you all know, all profits made from the Cancer Drive are donated to the pediatric unit of NCF. Despite this year's challenges, we are still trying to reach our goal of \$1 million donated over the past 25 years to NCF and we appreciate every penny our Viking and Sudbury community has donated to this wonderful cause. If you would like to donate, follow the steps below.

- Open the website www.ncfsudbury.com into your browser.
- Scroll down and click the green button that says "Donate Now."
 Scroll down and click the green button that says "Donate Now" under the label "Lockerby Cancer Drive."
- Enter the amount you wish to donate and proceed with your online donation.

BREAKFAST CLUB UPDATE

Breakfast Club will now take place every weekday morning in the Food Rooms!

Start your day-off with a nutritious and delicious snack in Room 223!





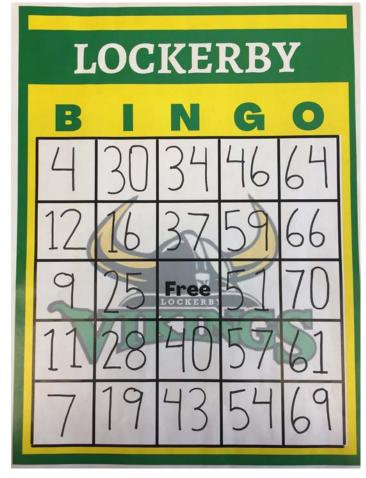
STUDENT COUNCIL

This past week, Lockerby Composite School and Lo-Ellen Park Secondary School joined forces to collect sweaters, sweatshirts, and hoodies for the most vulnerable in our community. The clothing will be donated to Independent Living's community closet. Downtown outreach workers use the closet daily as they help the most vulnerable access warm clothing. Thank you to everyone for their generous donations!



Our Student Council will also be hosting a school-wide BINGO to welcome March next week! Which homeroom will be the first to win?

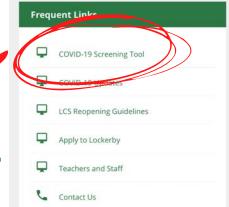






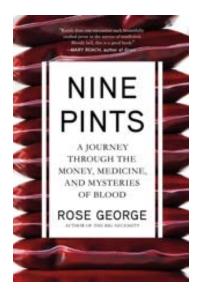
Don't forget to Self-Screen before coming to school!

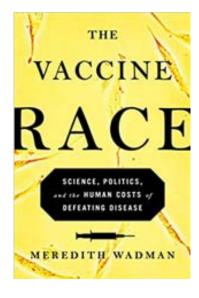
Visit our website for the Screening Tool

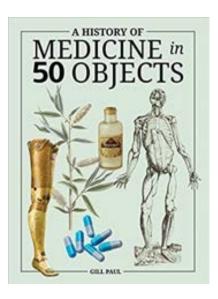


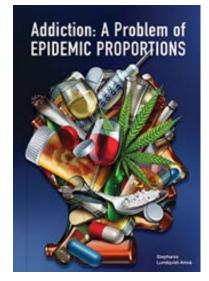
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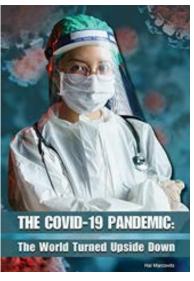
Yes we are open! We open at 8:00am and close at 3:00pm. The library is a welcoming, warm, and quiet place to do school work or study. Strict COVID-19 policies and procedures are in place for everyone's safety. Only 8 students at a time, so please wear your mask, social distance, and sanitize upon entering and exiting the library. Can't make it into the library? No problem, login to our database Insignia and put a hold on your favorite book or contact Mrs. Gordon at gordonp@rainbowschools.ca for help picking one out. Don't forget to download the app and log in to your own account. This week we are highlighting a selection of books on the health industry! A mix from vaccines, pandemics, addictions, mysteries of blood, and more are available. Come to the library to check them out!

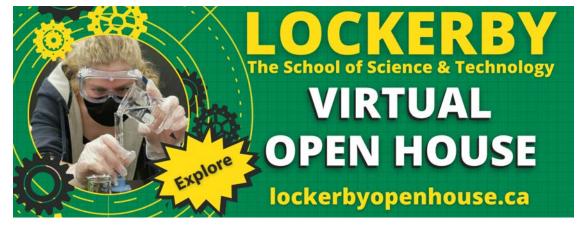












February 24, 2021

Dear Viking Community:

We hope that all is well with you and your family. As you are aware, the Medical Officer of Health and Directors of Education in the Sudbury area remain committed to keeping our schools COVID-safe. Since the beginning of our school year, we have asked that all students and staff use the COVID-19 Screening Tool prior to attending school each day. For reference, the COVID-19 Screening Tool can be found here: https://covid-19.ontario.ca/school-screening and on our website under 'Frequent Links.'

Further to the attached letter from Public Health Sudbury and Districts (in consultation with all four local School Boards) and effective February 19, 2021, students with any new or worsening symptom of COVID-19, even those with only one symptom, are now required to stay home. Furthermore, a student with symptoms will be required to isolate at home until:

Option 1: They receive a negative COVID-19 test result

OR

• Option 2: They receive an alternative diagnosis by a health care professional

OR

Option 3: It has been 10 days since their symptom onset and they are feeling better

Moreover, upon the request of the Public Health Sudbury and Districts, in addition to the ill student staying home, everyone else in the household (such as siblings and parents/guardians) is required to stay home from school and work for the same time period as well. If the ill student is not tested for COVID-19, all household contacts must isolate for 14 days from their last contact with the student.

What does this mean at Lockerby Composite School?

- Each student is asked to complete the Ontario COVID-19 Screening Tool each morning
- Should the student receive a message indicating 'Do Not Go To School,' the student must stay at home and schedule a COVID-19 test, or contact their health care provider for diagnosis, or quarantine for 10 days
- Parents/Guardians are asked to call the school to notify of the Screening Tool results; our Office Staff will ask which option (from above) students and parents/guardians will be choosing moving forward
- Students who are ill and at home can login to their courses' daily Google Meets (and Google Classroom or VLE platforms) to stay up-to-date in their studies (if and when they are well enough to do so)
- Once an ill student has received a negative COVID-19 test result, received an alternative diagnosis
 from a health care professional, or it has been 10 days since their symptom onset, the ill student (and
 any household members) may return to school

As indicated in the more detailed attached letter, while we understand that these changes may cause challenges and disruptions to families, we must continue to do our part to prevent transmission in the community and in our schools. Should you have any further questions, please contact Public Health Sudbury and Districts at 705-522-9200.

February 22, 2021

Dear parent/guardian/member of our school community:

Re: Updated symptom screening tool and isolation requirements

As the Medical Officer of Health and Directors of Education, we remain committed to keeping our schools COVID-safe. As we continue to navigate this school year together, we are working to make sure all families have the most up-to-date information about safe schools and evolving requirements.

You may have heard of the new variants of the COVID-19 virus called variants of concern (VOC). It is common for viruses to change over time and this is the case with the COVID-19 virus. As we have seen in other parts of the world and within our own province, these new variants spread more easily compared to the original virus. This means that we will expect to see more cases of COVID-19. The good news is that the same public health measures that protect us from COVID-19, also protect us from the VOCs. Now is the time to ramp up our efforts to slow the spread of the COVID-19 VOCs for as long as we can.

In response to the evolving situation of the COVID-19 VOCs, the Government of Ontario is adopting a more rigorous and cautious approach to implementing public health measures. Local public health units and school boards are supporting the enhanced school and child care provincial screening tool as well as putting into action the updated isolation requirements for household members.

As always, staff and students should use the COVID-19 Screening Tool for Children in School and Child Care on a daily basis. The tool can be found at https://covid-19.ontario.ca/school-screening/. Effective February 19, 2021, students and children with any new or worsening symptoms of COVID-19, even those with only one symptom, are required to stay home.

When a child has symptoms

A child with symptoms will be required to isolate at home until:

- They receive a negative COVID-19 test result OR
- They receive an alternative diagnosis by a health care professional OR
- It has been 10 days since their symptom onset and they are feeling better.

In addition to the sick child staying home, everyone else in the household, such as siblings and parents/guardians is required to stay home from school and work for the same time period. If the ill child is not tested for COVID-19, all household contacts must isolate for 14 days from their last contact with the child.











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If the child is tested for COVID-19, the child must remain in isolation at home and cannot attend school in-person while waiting for the appointment/test results. All household contacts, even if asymptomatic, are also required to stay home. The sick child must self-isolate away from other household members. Note that if the sick child is too young and cannot isolate apart from other household members, one parent/caregiver must also isolate with the child away from other household members.

If testing is recommended by a health care provider and/or the COVID-19 Screening Tool for Children in School and Child Care and you decide to NOT have your child tested, your child must stay home and self-isolate for 10 days from when their symptoms started. All household contacts must isolate for 14 days from their last contact with the child. The child may return to school/daycare after 10 full days since the symptoms started as long as they do not have a fever and their symptoms have been improving for at least 24 hours (48 hours if their symptoms were vomiting/diarrhea). If your child cannot isolate apart from your household contacts (e.g. they are too young) and needs help, one parent/caregiver must also isolate with child and away from other household members.

When a child tests positive

If your child tests positive for COVID-19, Public Health Sudbury & Districts will receive the results directly from the lab and will contact you to provide further direction and guidance.

When a child tests negative, when testing is not needed, or another diagnosis is provided

If your child tests negative for COVID-19, if testing is not recommended, and/or an alternative diagnosis is provided, household members can end their isolation and your child may return to school/daycare if they are meeting the following criteria:

- They do not have a fever (without using medication); AND
- Their symptoms have been improving for at least 24 hours (or at least 48 hours if their symptoms were vomiting/diarrhea); AND
- They were not in close contact with someone who currently has COVID-19.

When a child is dismissed from school

If a child is dismissed from school because they are identified as high-risk close contact of a case, all household members are required to stay home except for essential reasons such as attending work, school, or going for groceries. Household contacts are at an increased risk of exposure so must stay home unless essential for the duration of the child's isolation period. Additional guidance will be provided in letters from your school board and from public health.











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While we understand that these changes may cause challenges and disruptions to families, we must continue to do our part to prevent transmission in the community and in our schools. In-person learning is an essential priority for our children, one we have been fortunate to be able to protect throughout our district – one that we must continue to protect. Through our choices and actions, we can make it much more difficult for COVID-19 to spread.

If you have any questions, please visit our <u>Schools and COVID webpage</u> or contact Public Health Sudbury & Districts at 705.522.9200 or 1.866.522.9200.

Thank you,

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February 19, 2021

RE: VIRTUAL GRADUATIONS FOR THE CLASS OF 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Last year, we held out hope that we would be able to gather for traditional graduation ceremonies. With the ongoing pandemic, however, it simply was not possible and our schools hosted virtual ceremonies last fall.

This year, we are accepting the reality sooner rather than later. We have asked our elementary and secondary schools to plan for virtual graduations this spring.

Going from Grade 8 to Grade 9 and from secondary school to college, university, apprenticeship training, independent living or the world of work is an important transition in a young person's life.

While our preference would have been to watch each and every graduate cross the stage to accept their diplomas, please know that our schools will go the extra mile to mark the milestone and make it memorable for students, school staff, families and friends.

We look forward to celebrating together, while safely apart.

Thank you for your continued understanding.

Sincerely,

Norm Blaseg

Director of Education

Is your child struggling with mental health challenges?

Join our SUDBURY & MANITOULIN PARENT SUPPORT GROUP

online | 5 weeks | no fee | for parents of children to age 25

WHAT PARENTS NEED TO KNOW...

Dan Watson, our school Social Worker, will be at Lockerby Composite School next week.

Hazel Fox-Recollet, our school Aboriginal Support Worker, will be at Lockerby Composite School next week.

Monday, March 1st

- LCS Masked DJ Reveal (Week #3)
- Viking BINGO (school-wide)

Tuesday, March 2nd

Wednesday, March 3rd

Thursday, March 4th

Friday, March 5th



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