

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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

REMOTE LEARNING - MARCH 15TH

To Our Viking Community:

We would like this to take opportunity reiterate the to information that was provided vesterday from Public Health Sudbury and Districts and Rainbow District School Board. In our correspondences yesterday, elementary and secondary students in the Sudbury, Espanola, and Manitoulin areas will be pivoting to remote learning beginning Monday, March 15th, 2021 for an indefinite time period.

This current switch to remote learning in our region comes on the advice of the Chief Medical Officer of Health, with the Government of Ontario activating the 'emergency brake' for Public Health Sudbury & Districts. Our entire service area has moved into the Grey-Lockdown zone of the provincial COVID-19

Public Health Sudbury & Districts
COVID-19 update



response framework. In addition, Dr. Penny Sutcliffe, Medical Officer of Health, in consultation with Directors of Education from area school boards, instructed all schools in Greater Sudbury and the Sudbury and Manitoulin districts to transition to our virtual learning environment.

MONDAY'S REMOTE LEARNING

Keep reading this week's Newsletter for further information regarding updates about our pivot to remote learning from Lockerby Composite School, Rainbow District School Board, and the Ministry of Education (starting on Page 8).



REMINDER - MARCH BREAK POSTPONED

A reminder to all students and parents/guardians that our traditional March Break has been postponed until April 12th - 16th, 2021. Our pivot to remote learning begins with our 'Week 2' classes, in other words, Period 3 and Period 4 studies.



MARION DRYSDALE WINNER

Congratulations to Abigail Oshell, the Region 2 winner in the Prose & Poetry, Senior 11-12 Category of the OSSTF/FEESO Student Achievement Awards in Honour of Marion Drysdale. Her excellent piece is entitled "Kindness is a Renewable Resource." Way to go, Abigail!





MOLE ART!

This week, some of our senior Chemistry students used calcium carbonate to calculate the amount of 'chalk' used (in moles) to create some masterpieces! Students first had to calculate the molar mass and number of grams used in their drawings in order to determine the number of moles of chalk on their paper!

Mole-tastic!



WHAT'S HAPPENING IN BIOLOGY?

Some budding botanists in biology are investigating the germination and growth of various monocots and dicots. They are also learning about vegetative reproduction of plants like succulents, and are looking forward to seeing their plants grow and develop into perfect clones of the parent plant!

Meanwhile, our Grade 12 Biology students learned about cellular respiration, and consolidated their learning using a Jamboard, which can make a great study tool!





Biology Rules!



WORLD WATER DAY PREPARATIONS

Lockerby's Environmental Council has been busy preparing school-wide events for World Water Day (on March 22nd). This week, our environmentalists spent some time examining watersheds (specifically in the Sudbury area) in preparation for those school-wide events. As part of their discussions, they created their own watershed cities and talked about the ramifications of urban, industrial, and farming complexities (seen below).





VIKING ATHLETICS UPDATE

Despite the pause in athletic training and competition, the Sudbury District Secondary Schools' Athletics Association (SDSSAA) recognized some Vikings this week as top-athletes!

Ivy S.-H.

Ivy is a Grade 9 student who competed in Cross Country Running and Nordic Skiing this year at the high school level. A competitive swimmer for several years, Cross Country Running and Nordic Skiing are relatively new for this young female athlete. Ivy, although a little hesitant at first, worked hard and was an integral part of the Lockerby Novice Girls running team which placed second overall at the SDSSAA Championships. Ivy then joined the Lockerby Nordic Ski team with very little previous experience, but picked the sport up very quickly. Recently at the only high school ski meet of the season, Ivy showed great courage and challenged herself by completing the longer and more demanding of the two races offered.

Competing against both older and more experienced skiers, lvy was the third fastest Junior Girl. Ivy is commended on a terrific first year of high school athletic involvement!



Atom T.

Atom is a Grade 9 student who competed in Cross Country Running, Volleyball, and Nordic Skiing. At the SDSSAA Cross Country Running Championship this past fall, Atom not only placed first in the Novice Boys 4.5km race, he also helped his GRade 9 teammates place first overall amongst Novice Boy's teams. A competitive hockey player for several years, Atom competed in his first Nordic Ski competition recently at the only high school ski meet of the season. Atom was amongst the top Junior Boy finishers in the Junior Boys 5.5km Nordic ski race, despite competing against several older and more experienced skiers. Atom is congratulated on a successful first year of high school athletic involvement.



PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Please note that staff will be communicating with students and parents/guardians this coming week regarding progress in courses thus far. Our staff will be reaching out via email (given our remote learning circumstances). Our Parent-Teacher Interviews have also been scheduled for Thursday, March 25th, 2021 from 3:00pm - 6:00pm. More information regarding sign-ups will be provided early next week with the distribution of Progress Reports and will be posted on our website and through next week's newsletter.



KIDS CARING FOR KIDS CANCER DRIVE - 2021

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

Vikings, as you all may have heard, we will be going into lockdown starting next week, meaning we will all be moving into remote learning. We are all strongly affected by the large increase in cases, so hopefully this temporary shut-down will help lower the number of cases in Sudbury and we can return to school in-person very soon. In light of these circumstances, we hope all of you are staying safe and wearing your masks when you go out for essential services. If you don't have a mask, do not worry! The Cancer Drive Committee continues to sell masks on School Cash Online for \$12 and they will continue to be available for you to pick up upon your return in later weeks. For more information, please refer to the sections below.





LOCKERBY Lockerby Kids

Caring for Kids Cancer Drive: Remembering Laura Cotesta

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.

STUDENT COUNCIL - MASKED DJ (WEEK 4)

The fourth reveal of Lockerby's Masked DJ happened this past Monday! This week's masked staff member is a good listener and has family member attend Lockerby...last week's Masked DJ was...Mr. Mr. Watson! This week, we heard songs from Stompin' Tom, The Arkells, and the Who could this week's Tragically Hip. Masked DJ be?



STUDENT SERVICES

Scholarships

<u>Desjardins Scholarship – March 1st - 31st, 2021</u>

Win 1 of 25 scholarships valued at \$1,000. From March 1st to March 31st, students can apply for scholarships. Desjardins Ontario Credit Union will draw 25 bursaries of \$1,000 each. By participating, students are automatically entered in the Desjardins Foundation Scholarships contest.

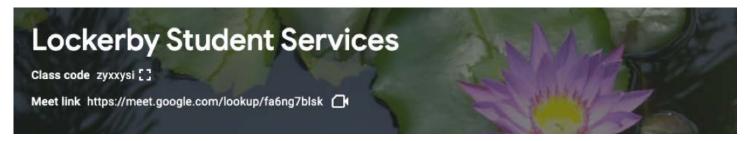
To learn more visit the company website - www.desjardins.com/scholarships

<u>Ukrainian Professional and Business Club of Sudbury – May 7th, 2021</u>

The Ukrainian Professional and Business Club of Sudbury is offering a \$500 scholarship to a Sudbury District Secondary School Student commencing post-secondary education in September 2021. Applications for the scholarship can be found in our school's Student Services Google Classroom. All completed and signed Application Forms must be emailed in PDF file format to bosudbury@gmail.com with a date stamp of no later than Friday, May 7th, 2021.

Summer Cooperative Education

Students interested in completing a face-to-face or virtual cooperative education placement this summer are reminded to complete the Google Application Form which can be found on the Student Services Google Classroom. It is important to recognize that there are two unique forms - one for students with a placement/job and a second one for students who will be completing the program virtually. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Mrs. Beaudry or Ms. Baggs. Both forms due: April 1st, 2021



LIBRARY SERVICES

Hey Vikings - during our lockdown, do not worry about overdue books or returns. There will be no fines or fees. Hold on to them till we see each other again when we get back. Remember that we have our Gale database available to assist you with your research.

Visit the Gale resource page by following the link on the school's website or by visiting the Virtual Library and click on the 'database' tab. Ask Ms. Gordon for the password to get in, or email her at gordonp@rainbowschools.ca if you are having difficulties. This link takes you to the wide variety of topics available: https://www.galepages.com/ko_k12hs_d50

ATTENTION GRADUATES!

Lockerby Composite School's Graduation Committee is currently working on plans for this year's Virtual Graduation. Students are encouraged to join the Google Classroom where they can complete a short Google Form to help with the initial planning stages of the event. Join Code: 5kxbbdy

2021 Gr 12 Graduates

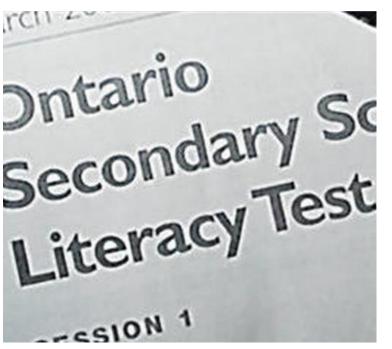
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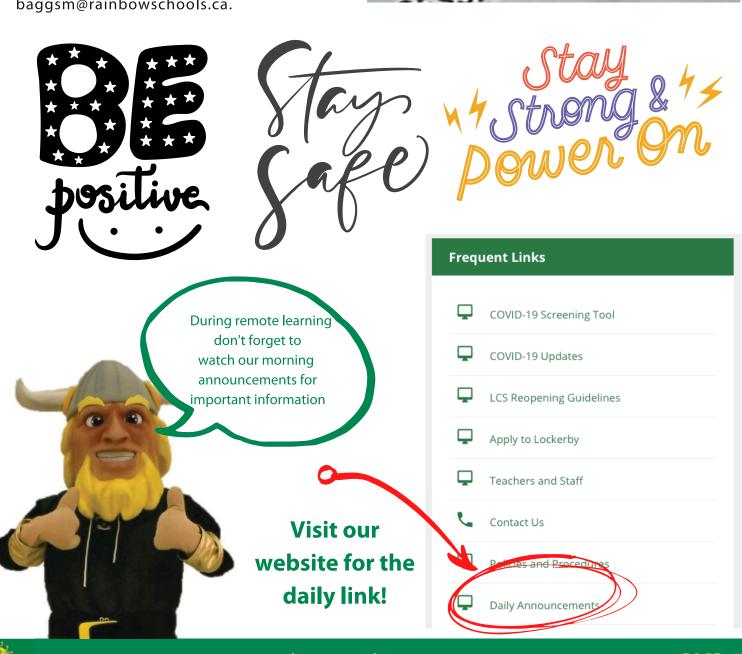
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LITERACY TEST

Information regarding the test administration is still being determined and once we have an official directive we will share this with our Viking Community. In the interim, we will continue to provide support in our classes. During 'Week 2' classes, students will be receiving support every Thursday through their classroom teacher or in a class Google Meet. Period 3 is designated for Grade 10 students and Period 4 is designated for Grade 11 students. If students' timetables do not align with this schedule, or they would like extra practice, students are invited to join Google Meet every 'Week 2' Thursdays at 2:30pm. Students can also join these sessions via the OSSLT Helpful Hints Google Classroom (53zh57z). anyone has any questions or concerns reach Ms. please to Baggs baggsm@rainbowschools.ca.







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March 11, 2021

RE: ALL STUDENTS TO LEARN REMOTELY AS OF MONDAY, MARCH 15, 2021

Dear parents/guardians:

In light of the increase in confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the community, Sudbury, Espanola and Manitoulin areas will move into lockdown at midnight tonight.

As of Monday, March 15, 2021, ALL students in Rainbow Schools will learn remotely until further notice. School-based childcare will continue. All before and after school programs, however, will be suspended.

Schools will be open for in-person learning on Friday, March 12, 2021.

We ask that students please **bring home** any personal belongings (running shoes, glasses, medication, clothing, lunch bags etc.) and learning materials (books, binders, tablets, laptops, projects, etc.) at the end of the school day as schools will be closed to students.

Schools will reach out to students who require technology to continue their learning.

Thank you for your ongoing flexibility as we continue to respond to COVID-19.

Please continue to follow all health and safety protocols to limit the spread, including hand washing, physical distancing, mask wearing and staying home.

Thank you for working together to keep everyone safe.

Sincerely.

Norm Blaseg

Director of Education



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March 12, 2021

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Dear Viking Community:

We hope all is well with you and your family.

Home to the Science Technology Education Program (STEP)

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Further to Rainbow District School Board's communication of March 11th, 2021, and as you are aware, Sudbury, Espanola, and Manitoulin areas have moved into lockdown. As such, all Rainbow Schools will shift to teacher-led remote learning – for all students – beginning Monday, March 15th, 2021.

At this time, please know that all Vikings will continue to use the D2L and/or Google platforms as part of this remote learning pivot. During this current remote learning period:

- students will be following their current timetables each day beginning on Monday, March 15th, 2021;
- bell times (based on Grade 9-10 and Grade 11-12 coded classes) will remain the same;
- the week of March 15th is a 'Week 2' with Period 3 and Period 4 on-week instruction occurring through Google Meets;
- students will be receiving synchronous instruction daily through a Google Meet (with the Google Meet code being provided to students by each of their subject teachers);
- students are expected to be logged-into their Google Meets at the beginning of each period and are expected to remain engaged in their learning for the duration of their lesson;
- each student will be expected to complete/participate in their online learning each day and are
 expected to complete any and all work that has been, or has previously been assigned;
- staff will continue to provide ongoing assessment of student learning, within each of their courses, based on their curriculum and course content delivery;
- attendance for classes will be taken each period through a Google Meet Attendance Report;
- our staff will continue to reach out to students who have accessibility issues with respect to technology and internet services;
- continued instructions will be provided to our Viking students with respect to expectations within the virtual learning environment.

Rainbow District School Board continues to encourage all parents/guardians to visit rainbowschools.ca often, as learning resources are being updated. Therein, Rainbow District School Board has also posted links to information on mental health and COVID-19. The health and safety of students and staff is our first and foremost priority.

As always, thank you for your patience as we continue on this learning journey together.

Sincerely,

LOCKERBY COMPOSITE SCHOOL

Per:

CRAIG RUNCIMAN

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Principal



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NEWS RELEASE

Ontario Activates Emergency Brake in Sudbury Public Health Region

Immediate action required to interrupt transmission, contain community spread and save lives

March 11, 2021 Health

TORONTO — On the advice of the Chief Medical Officer of Health, the Ontario Government is activating an "emergency brake" in the Public Health Sudbury and Districts region, and moving it to the Grey-Lockdown level in the <u>Keeping Ontario Safe and Open Framework</u>. The decision was made due to the concerning trends in public health indicators and in consultation with the local medical officer of health.

"Implementing an emergency brake to immediately interrupt transmission of COVID-19 is a key component of our government's plan to safely and gradually return public health regions to the Framework," said Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health. "We have seen a rapid rise in the case rate in the Sudbury area, and swift action is needed to protect individuals, families and businesses and save lives."

Based on the latest assessment of data, the "emergency brake" is being used to stop the spread, guard against variants and protect public health and health system capacity in the region. From March 3 to 9, 2021, the region's case rate increased by 54.1 per cent to 75.9 cases per 100,000 people.

The public health region will move to Grey-Lockdown effective Friday, March 12, 2021 at 12:01 a.m.

"As a result of the rapid deterioration of trends in key indicators, the emergency brake is being applied to move Public Health Sudbury and Districts to Grey-Lockdown to help reduce further spread of the virus in the region," said Dr. David Williams, Chief Medical Officer of Health. "We must remain vigilant in adhering to all public health and workplace safety measures to combat the threat posed by variants of concern."

The Chief Medical Officer of Health will continue to consult with public health and other experts, review data, and provide advice to the government on the appropriate and effective measures that are needed to protect the health of Ontarians.



Quick Facts

- Find out what level and which <u>public health and workplace safety measures</u> are in place for <u>your area</u>.
- To help stop the spread of COVID-19 and safeguard health system capacity, everyone is strongly urged to continue staying at home and limit trips outside their household and to other regions for essential purposes only, and not to gather with individuals outside of their household. In addition, people are required to wear a face covering when within two metres distance of another individual who is not part of their household (both indoor and outdoor), with limited exceptions.
- Local medical officers of health continue to have the ability to issue Section 22 orders under the Health Protection and Promotion Act, and municipalities may enact by-laws, to target specific transmission risks in the community.

Additional Resources

- To find the right supports, visit <u>COVID-19</u>: <u>Support for People</u>, which has
 information about the many available and free mental health services and
 supports.
- Get tested if you have COVID-19 symptoms, or if you have been advised of exposure by your local public health unit or through the COVID Alert App. Visit Ontario.ca/covidtest to find the nearest testing location.
- Visit Ontario's <u>COVID-19 vaccine web page</u> to view the latest provincial data and information on COVID-19 vaccines.
- Visit Ontario's COVID-19 information <u>website</u> to learn more about how the province continues to protect the people of Ontario from the virus.

Related Topics

Government

Learn about the government services available to you and how government works. <u>Learn more</u>

Health and Wellness

Get help navigating Ontario's health care system and connecting with the programs or services you're looking for. <u>Learn more</u>

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WHAT PARENTS NEED TO KNOW FOR NEXT WEEK'S LEARNING...

Dan Watson, our school Social Worker, will be in contact with families over our remote learning period.

Hazel Fox-Recollet, our school Aboriginal Support Worker, will be in contact with families over our remote learning period.

Monday, March 15th

- 'Week 2 Schedule'
- MARCH BREAK PREVIOUSLY CANCELLED

Tuesday, March 16th

Wednesday, March 17th

Thursday, March 18th

Friday, March 19th

- Deadline for progress emails to be sent to students
- Weekly Newsletter will continue to be distributed



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