

BRPS Family Newsletter

Monday, March 1 Day 5 Tuesday, March 2 Day 1 Wednesday, March 3 Day 2 Thursday, March 4 Day 3	Start date for School Model Change for all families who requested the model change.	Keeping Us All Safe As School Re-Opens * Families should be using the ***updated (Feb 25) Screening Tool each day (see attachment) * With just one symptom, the individual (and all family members) are required to stay home * Masks are required for all students (Grades 1-8) * Masks are recommended for Kindergarten students * 3-layer masks are recommended (2-layer will be permitted if they are clean and fit appropriately) * Anyone coming onto school property (including families during pick-up and drop-off) are required to wear a mask and maintain 2m distance from others
Friday, March 5 Day 4		 wear a mask and maintain 2m distance from others Students and families are asked to not congregrate before and after school

<u>Twitter feed:</u> A reminder to all families that we try and post information and pictures of things happening at BRPS on a regular basis. They are shared on our Twitter page (@BarbaraReidPS). Try and take a look when you get a chance.

<u>Notice from York Region Public Health:</u> Please see this <u>attachment for the updated screening tool</u> (updated Feb 25, 2021) that must be completed each day, prior to students coming to school. It does not need to be printed off, just completed at home prior to departing for school.

<u>Kiss 'n Ride:</u> Reminder to parents - only Kindergarten student pick-up between 3:25 p.m. and 3:40 p.m. To pick-up students in Grades 1-8, please wait until 3:40 p.m. During drop-off in the morning, please ensure that your child does not get out of the vehicle unless you are in a parking spot or pulled over directly against the Kiss 'n Ride curb. We have had too many children getting out of vehicles by the corner at the end of the Kiss 'n Ride and not against the curb. This creates an extremely dangerous situation and also causes unnecessary congestion. Please wait for a spot against the curb or find a parking spot. Thank you for your help in ensuring everyone's safety.

<u>Student Loaner Technology:</u> For families who borrowed a Chromebook to support remote learning, please return this equipment to the school, including all power adapters. The equipment should be placed in a plastic bag with the students name on it. Students should start returning these devices on February 16th. They will checked and sanitized and returned to in-school rotation.

<u>March Break:</u> The Minister of Education recently announced that they would be postponing the March Break to April 12-16th, 2021. This means that students in both virtual and F2F learning environments will continue to attend class through the previously scheduled break (March 15-19th).

Parents of Black Children: Please click this link for Mental Health Matters Fund and many additional resources and supports.

<u>COVID-19 Community Resources for Behaviour, Mental Health, and Financial Supports:</u> Please see the <u>attached link</u> to the associated section of the YRDSB supports page.

Science and Technology Challenge: Please see attached flyer for 'Future City Hackathon' for students in Grades 7-12.

<u>Islamic Heritage Student Art Call for Entry:</u> Please <u>click here for the flyer</u> regarding an open opportunity for students from K-12.

School Council: Next meeting date TBD (mid-March).

Upcoming Dates:

March 3—start date for School Model Change

April 2—Good Friday (no school)

April 5—Easter Monday (no school)

April 12-16—Newly scheduled 'March Break'

Links:

- *Updated (Feb 25th) Covid-19 Screening Tool
- 211 Ontario support during Covid-19
- Protecting Yourself During Covid-19
- Adult English as a Second Language