

January 18, 2022

Re: Shift to at-home Learning for the Grade 4B & 2T Classrooms

Dear Parents/Guardians of students in Wainwright Elementary School:

We appreciate that families are working with us and keeping students home when ill. This week, we have been closely monitoring absences and illnesses within our school. This week has seen a high number of students away and we want to ensure we are being diligent by keeping all students safe. We will move temporarily to at-home learning beginning **Wednesday**, **January 19**, with possible return to in-school learning on **Monday**, **January 24th**.

Today, Grade 4B and 2T students will be able to gather up materials to ensure that they have what they need for learning at home. Our staff prepared for this situation and at-home learning will begin tomorrow.

Mrs. Bast and Mrs. Tangen will collaborate and provide you with additional information on learning expectations. Students will be provided excellent learning opportunities at-home with a focus on core subject areas. Please know that our staff has just been informed of this transition this afternoon and will work diligently to provide more information to you in a timely manner. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

We appreciate all of your support as we transition to at-home learning for next week.

This has been a challenging start up for our students, staff, and families. When people are staying at home more, it can be a difficult time. There are supports available:

• Mental Health Helpline: Phone: 1-877-303-2642

• Kids Help Phone: 1-800-668-6868

Youth Mental Health

• Help in Tough Times

The shift to at home learning is to limit the spread of COVID-19. We need to ensure that we do everything we can to minimize the risk of COVID spread. If you are aware of a positive case in your household, please continue to contact the school. This continues to be an important step to mitigate risk

and return to a safe and healthy environment. It is extremely important that students and staff stay home when they are sick or have symptoms on the <u>AHS checklist</u>.

Our staff wants to thank each of you for your continued care, support and patience. Your continued support and feedback is very much appreciated. We look forward to hopefully seeing our Grade 4B and 2T students back in the building on Monday, January 24, 2022.

Sincerely,

Tom Koskie

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Principal

Wainwright Elementary School Buffalo Trail Public Schools #28

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