



ROMS Parent Update - January 19, 2021

Dear ROMS families,

Happy New Year! It has been great to have our staff and students back at ROMS after the winter break looking refreshed and ready to focus on learning. January and February are months where students often make significant gains in terms of growth in their learning. There are very few interruptions in these months and teachers can focus on engaging students and challenging them to do their very best. We look forward to sharing this growth with you - please don't hesitate to reach out to your child's teachers if you have any questions.

A Few Other Important Notes:

- **Yearbooks** - a team of staff is working hard to create a yearbook full of fabulous coloured photos featuring our students participating in many school-wide activities such as the Terry Fox Run, Halloween, Festive Day in December, Pink Shirt Day etc. Since we won't have the usual focus on sports teams and clubs this year, our yearbook will focus more on photos of students in action in their classrooms and cohorts. **If you have not ordered a yearbook yet, it's not too late!** Fill in this [YEARBOOK ORDER FORM](#) and give it to your child to deliver to the school office with \$38.
- **Gr 8 Baby Photos** - It is a tradition at ROMS to include the baby photos of our Gr 8 students in the yearbook. If your child is in Gr 8, please submit a photo as a digital image file (please no word documents) to Lena Palermo at ROMSGRADE82021@gmail.com. **The deadline is Jan 29th.**
- **Weather** - Winter is definitely upon us and we are expecting colder weather in the coming weeks. Please ensure that your child has a waterproof jacket for the rainy days and a warm coat.
- **Daily Health Check** - thank you for your diligence in continuing to do this Health Check each morning before sending your child to school.
- **Daily Announcements** - we have changed the format of our announcements. Starting on Friday this week (Jan 22), we will send out our announcements once a week instead of daily. If you aren't already receiving our announcements, you can subscribe and receive them weekly by [clicking here](#).
- **Drop off/Pick Up Reminder** - We continue to request that parents/guardians please drop off their children no more than 15 minutes before school and remain off the school grounds for health and safety reasons. Please continue to make appointments through the school office/teacher emails to communicate with school staff.

Coming Up:

- **Jersey Day on Fri, Jan 29th** - students are encouraged to wear the jersey of their favourite team or country on this day. Our Gr 8 leadership students are organizing a Sports Trivia contest for that day during advisory! Should be fun!
- **ROMS PAC** - the next PAC meeting is on Wed, Jan 20 at 7pm. The meeting will be virtual - you will find the meeting invite on the ROMS PAC website. We will hear from the Claremont team about the Gr 8 transition process - all Gr 8 families are welcome to attend.

Feel free to reach out if you have any questions.

Karen MacEwan, Principal