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Good afternoon Woodland families,

I hope you all had an amazing, restful holiday. Thank you, once again, for your continued support during this learn from home time.

Please know that we are committed to continuing to working together to ensure that students and families are supported and student learning continues during these unprecedented times. If your home situation is making it difficult to engage in online learning please let us know. We can work together to offer more support or opportunities so all can be successful.

Daily Schedules

During this time, our school day will continue to begin at 9am and end at 3:20pm. Teachers will be sharing their class timetables (if they haven't already) and we will be following them each day so that you and your child(ren) know which teacher is available to support them AND everyone gets a break from the screen during the day. Fitness/nutrition breaks will continue as regularly scheduled. Staff will be available to connect with students and/or parents during regularly scheduled teaching times. I sincerely appreciate that learning from home can have its challenges and that students are missing their routine of being at school - we are too! This will help us all to maintain a 'routine'.

Synchronous Learning

Teachers will be scheduling times for synchronous teaching throughout each day. Synchronous teaching means the teacher and the student are in the same place at the same time - happening in 'real' time. This does not mean that they will have the whole class on-line each time. It may include a combination of on-line whole group lessons, morning meetings, small group instruction, individual student conferencing

and/or 'office' hours where students have the opportunity to reach out with questions or for support. Our goal is to maintain a balance of 'on screen' and 'off screen' learning activities. A link will be posted for students to access synchronous learning times, within daily schedules. Please reach out to your child's teacher if you have any questions.

Technology

If you are in need of a Chromebook at this time, please contact me (wol@dsbn.org) so that I can arrange a time to pick up.

FYI...It has been brought to my attention this week that students need to log in through Google Chrome and not the Google Classroom App in order to be able to complete assignments posted in Google Classroom.

We cannot wait to be back in person soon! We hope you are all are staying safe and healthy.

Respectfully,

K. Phillips

Principal, Woodland Public School