

Hello Everyone

This is going to be a short NewsFlash – just touching base with the entire community.

We just finished 4 days of a resumption of classes under a completely new paradigm. I just wanted to thank students, staff and parents for the effort everyone is putting in to make this work.

1. **Students** I have to commend you on how quickly you responded to your teachers as they began teaching virtually. Your attendance in the classes; and your attention to the assignments that are being assigned is a tribute to your commitment to your studies. That commitment didn't just extend to your "regular" classwork – but was manifested in how quickly you signed up for our first attempt at delivering the Wednesday program virtually as well as your eagerness to engage in extra-curricular activities on-line. Excellent work – keep up the effort.
2. **Staff** we also need to recognize the ingenuity and effort that you demonstrated in adapting your curriculum to the new paradigm. Your team work in your curriculum groups in assessing how you go forward and prepare the students for next-steps is recognized and appreciated. Similarly your efforts to put Wed on line is appreciated – that was clearly demonstrated by the number of students that registered and participated.
3. **Parents** thank you for your understanding as we adapt to the new paradigm. Please keep sending us your comments and concerns. They are very useful.

I also would like to take the opportunity of recognizing our **Guidance staff and Spec Ed Staff**. Their updates will continue as a separate NewsFlash update as important information needs to be communicated. Keeping them as a separate update will ensure they stand out. I also know that there is two-way communication taking place between the staff and students as concerns arise.

We also have another group hard at work supporting our students, staff and admin – our **Office Staff**. Their efforts are much appreciated.

Mia our Librarian has asked me to post the following **resources/information** that students can access on-line:

Virtual Library: <https://www.tdsb.on.ca/library/HOME/schoolNo/5604>

Passwords: https://docs.google.com/document/u/1/d/1g9_MCGqdRfs2cDI_KGZZV6wF4UMN_GRFz4831HqhjEC0/edit?urp=gmail_link

Ebooks (fiction):

<https://wbb04811.follettshelf.com/shelf/servlet/presentsshelfform.do?site=04811>

login: student number

password: student number

Barbara and I would like to wish everyone a safe and relaxing long weekend. For those who celebrating holidays – all the best.

David