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Dear Terry Fox students,

In a normal year you'd all be returning from Spring Break tomorrow. You'd be excited to see your friends and get back into the rhythm of school.

Grade 12 students in particular would be excited about the upcoming events that mark the completion of your journey through K-12. But this isn't a normal year. Not by any stretch. We are all living through a once in a 100 year event that has forced us to drastically change how we move forward with the rest of the school year - and our own daily lives.

This is what we know so far:

You won't be returning to the building for a while. We don't know how long that will be. We are directed in our actions by the Provincial Health Officer and at this point the directive is that schools remain closed to slow the spread of COVID-19.

Your teachers will be taking the next week or so to figure out how your education will continue. We do know that it will involve some form of online and remote learning, most likely with Office 365 and Microsoft Teams.

You all have good questions. Some of the things we've been asked are:

Can I get my stuff from school?
What about Grad?
How will this impact my application for university?
How can I do Foods/PE/Woodwork/ etc online?
I don't have a computer at home. How can I do online?
How long will this go on?

We wish we could give you the answers to those questions and many more today. We understand how worried you must be and we recognize how frustrating this situation is. Our priorities are to keep you safe and then do everything we can to ensure you complete the school year in as authentic a manner as possible.

This week and the next your teachers will be planning the way ahead and will be in contact with you soon. This is what you can do to help:

- ✓ Make sure you, your friends and parents have the **School App** and have signed up for **Enews**. (Information for downloading & signing up are on our school website under Quick Links)
- ✓ Check the school and district websites on a regular basis
- ✓ Make sure the school has **up to date phone and email contact information** for you, and if you need provide us with new contact information, please go to our website and use the **Contact Us Form** or Email terryfox@sd43.bc.ca.

Ravens demonstrate perseverance, and at no time in living memory is THAT PERSEVERANCE more important than now. We will get through this as a community and be stronger for it.

Expect to hear from us soon,

Mr. Starr, Ms. Walton, Mr. Phelan, Mr. Campbell