

Bloorview School Council Meeting

Thursday, November 12 - 7:00 PM

In attendance: Nasir, Zoobia, Trinela, Renee, Iana, Sosena, Samantha, Jennifer, Marques, Rose, Kate, Linda, Sarah

Regrets: Marie Hooper

Item	Description / Notes
Welcome	
Review of Minutes	
COVID Update	<p>Outline of Process when a positive case is confirmed -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">-became aware of the case at about 8:20-because of cohorts easily identified & isolated class involved-contacted parents & TPH immediately-had students swabbed by Charge Nurse & Infection Specialist at school before they went home- fast tracked & had results from Sick Kids the next morning- there are tracking sheets outside of all of the rooms in the school, making it easy to identify who has had contact-all staff wear PPE at all times and practise hand hygiene and because of this they are considered low risk- depends on TPH direction if staff are sent home or can remain at school-the student in question did not have an active case, only antibodies from a previous infection-if your child has been in contact with a Covid case, Sarah will contact you immediately & the school also checks bus lists <p>Updates from OT/PT should we need to go virtual</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">-OT programme to continue virtually, planning in place-PTs are working with Rose to create small groups that have similar needs so that they can work virtually-the hospital will allow some equipment to go home as long as therapists are confident that families know how to fit child into equipment- outpatient visits may be allowed to assist with this.- final decision to allow hospital equipment to go home will be made by the hospital. <p>Hospital News</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">-Julia would like to offer webinars to parents focusing on topics they would like to learn about during this pandemic-parents should be able to attend Town Hall meetings at the hospital, if you have trouble getting it, contact Sarah and she can help <p>Parent Suggestions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">—Open Forum virtually, similar to what Sick Kids didExpert Panel virtually to ask questions regarding COVID-19, similar to CTV ask a doctor

	<p>etc.</p> <p>-Nasar raised the issue of the difficulties of isolating within families when there is a medically compromised child, is there a Government programme to help with this?</p>
<p>Principal Report</p>	<p>School Report</p> <p>The New Accessible Playground has opened - Nov 23 at 6:00pm is Virtual Grand Opening, parents are welcome to attend</p> <p>-students very excited to see the playground for the first time</p> <p>Communication of Learning (K) and Progress Reports (Grade 1) go home on Tuesday, November 17</p> <p>Educator/parent conferences are on 19th/20th Virtual</p> <p>-please book all interviews with teachers by Sunday</p> <p>-Kate provided an update on the Book Fair</p> <p>- Christmas Wish Photos</p> <p>-free holiday pictures if you are interested, Sarah will send the link, please mention that you are with Bloorview School</p>
<p>Discussion Items</p>	<p>Parent Engagement - Planning a Virtual Event - Zoobia</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Last year sent out a survey - Wanted to gather a lot of organizations together to provide information to parents - This year want this to be virtual - Let Zoobia know if you can support - Zoobia would like to create a sub-committee as this will be a lot of work, please contact her if you would like to join - One of the jobs of said sub-committee would be to reach out to organizers to see if they are willing to hold a webinar for us. - Sosena suggested Special Olympics & has a contact that she will share with Zoobia - Rose suggested contacting Kristen (Recreational Specialist who works in HB) would be a helpful contact for camps & other opportunities <p>Concerts and Assemblies</p> <p>-Iana stated that the holiday concerts in the past have been wonderful & was wondering about this year</p> <p>-Anna (Arts teacher) has already approached Sarah & they have a meeting on Monday</p> <p>-A Virtual Awards Assembly has also been planned</p> <p>Social Events for Parents</p> <p>-Samantha suggested that perhaps a social event for new parents might be in order (JK Parent Mingle)</p> <p>-Zoobia shared that there is a facebook page for parents that parents have started to help with these issues (not connected to or created by Bloorview School)</p>

<p>-Virtual Past grade 1 students (transition) group was suggested</p> <p>-Social Activites for Parents/ Kids virtually was suggested to increase parent engagement</p> <p>-Nasar wondered if there are any social events for families over the holiday, Zoobia made a suggestion and Nasar said it would be good if there was a place where these ideas could be shared.</p> <p>-Sarah thanked everyone for attending and reminded everyone that the next meeting would be December 10 in the morning at 10:00am as this was easier for some parents to attend.</p>

School Council Dates: Dec. 10 - 10 AM, Jan. 14 - 7PM, Feb. 11 - 7PM