

Dear students and families of Sir Winston Churchill,

I wanted to update you about semester 2 which starts on Thursday February 4th. To confirm, all students will start their courses online. Once we are informed from the Ministry of Education about our return to in-person learning, we will share more details.

You will see from the calendar below that while we are all fully online, the schedule will rotate through the periods (1, 2, 3, 4) and then repeat the 4-day cycle.

Schedule for Students

			February 4 Semester 2 starts Period 1 Online	February 5 Period 2 Online
February 8 Period 3 Online Elearning courses begin	February 9 Period 4 Online	February 10 Period 1 Online	February 11 Period 2 Online	February 12 PD Day



Daily Synchronous Learning– NEW!

While schools remain physically closed, students will be participating in daily synchronous learning. Starting on February 4th, it is very important that you log in to your class at the time **instructed by your teacher** to participate in your daily learning. There will be set times for about an hour at the start of each day and again at the end of each day of synchronous learning in Microsoft Teams of Google Classroom. Teachers will reach out through student DSBN emails prior to the class to give students directions of where to login.

Semester 2 Timetables

 You will be able to view your second semester timetable on Monday February 1st in the afternoon. Find here instructions on how to access your timetable <u>Accessing Cohort &</u> <u>Timetable Information Sem 2</u>

eLearning Courses

• Elearning course registration:

- ∘ you signed up OR
- o you are an online student and were centrally assigned to a course
- These courses start on Monday February 8
- All of these courses run through D2L
- You will receive a message from your teacher through your DSBN email prior to the course starting

Student Online Attendance

• A reminder about student attendance, students are required to log in daily for attendance to be recorded. More details will follow as we are still in discussions with teachers about whether or not we will all have the same synchronous times. If so, attendance will be tied to these times. We are also talking with teachers of Google Classrooms in the hopes that Google Classrooms can use the same method for taking attendance. More information soon to come!

Return of Semester 1 School Materials

- Please keep items you have borrowed from the school safe
- We will collect these items when school continues in-person
- If you are graduating, moving to another school, or you need to return a musical instrument, please contact <u>Cheryl.Cook@dsbn.org</u> to make arrangements to return your borrowed items
- You can also look back to an email that would have come from Ms. Cook (or School Messenger) that included the following instructions:

There are a few selected school resources that we need returned for semester two. We do not need everything back, so please keep those resources (books, etc) unless notified by the teacher through an email. We only need the following items:

- All musical Instruments (look to an email from Mme. Carlson for more details)
- Specific classroom materials needed for the beginning of sem 2 (as communicated to the student by an email from their teacher)

We will be having a school materials return on **Feb. 2**nd **& 3**rd **from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm**. Any materials you have been asked to return will need to be returned on these days in order for staff to take the necessary precautions needed before they are handed out for semester two classes. There will be tables set up outside the main entrance. Please place your material on the tables and staff will bring them into the school.

Semester 1 Report Cards

• Semester 1 report cards will be emailed to student emails on Friday February 12, similar to how they were distributed at mid-semester.

I know that this is a lot of information coming your way. Do not hesitate to reach out to me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Ms. A. Gilmore, SWC Principal