



BC CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

ROMANS 12:1-2

March 17, 2020

Email Sent to All BCCA Parents
IMMEDIATE: COVID-19 School Update from Mr. Ian Jarvie

DEAR BCCA PARENTS/ GUARDIANS/ AND STUDENTS,

At noon today, the Minister of Education, Mr. Fleming announced that all K-12 schools will be closed after Spring Break indefinitely. We are not sure about the timeline but it could very well be the remainder of this school year. He has assured us that all students will move on to the next grade, next year, and all grade 12 students that currently have a passing grade will graduate. In addition, all assessment testing in grade 11 and 12 by the Ministry of Education will be suspended. The only assessment test the grade 12s will need to graduate will be the Grade 10 Numeracy Assessment. If a grade 12 student has not completed it, they can contact Mrs. Lim via email at admin@bccaschool.ca and she can help arrange for this test to be written.

I want to assure families we will continue to carry out educational services for our K-12 students at BCCA. School will just look a little different as we navigate through the COVID-19 Pandemic.

All connections from this point will be done through online services, email, and the phone. I have been in touch with my leadership team and teaching staff and they will be preparing for how we will run classes over the next 13 days, before school reopens on Monday, March 30, 2020.

I am sure you have lots of questions regarding how things will be run over the next few months. I would ask that you wait until we can send you a comprehensive report towards the end of next week, before sending us your questions. We have a great deal of planning to do and we need some time for my staff to work through some of the logistics of remote schooling.

Our teaching staff will be delivering online teaching for most grades, from grades 3-12, using Google Hangouts Meet. We are setting up all classes on this platform and your son/ daughter will be receiving an invite from their teacher to join their classes, before school resumes on Monday, March 30, 2020.

For the K-2 students, we will be preparing learning materials for the students. Some may be online, some may be working with mom/ day/ older sibling/ aunt/ uncle/ grandparents/ friends to help them work through the lessons/ books/ etc. that they will be completing.



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We are just in the initial stages at looking at how we can best deliver an excellent education program for your younger children while they are at home. We will get more information to you regarding the educational delivery for the younger children soon.

We are indeed in a new era of uncharted territory. We thank you in advance for your patience as we establish a new way of educating your children. I do believe there can be some exciting learning opportunities for our students, in spite of needing to be isolated. We desire to still be as connected with our students and parents as much as possible over the next few months.

Please be sure to check your emails on a regular basis, as this will be our immediate method of reaching out to all families and providing you with the most up-to-date information.

Enjoy your time together as a family over the next two weeks. It is always a good thing to be able to have more family time together where we can support one another and grow closer together.

Also, continue to dig into God's Word on a daily basis and see what God wants to say to each of us. It is a great source of strength and peace during these trying times.

I sent the Psalm 46 passage to our BCCA staff earlier this week. It is a fantastic passage that reminds us of where our strength should come from. Read it on a regular basis and it will help you remember who is in control and our trust and faith is in Christ alone as we wait upon the salvation He has given us.

God is our Refuge and Strength!

Take Care!

Mr. Ian Jarvie
Head Principal
BCCA



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Psalm 46

¹God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.

²Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,
though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,

³though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble at its swelling. *Selah*

⁴There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.

⁵God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved;
God will help her when morning dawns.

⁶The nations rage, the kingdoms totter;
he utters his voice, the earth melts.

⁷The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress. *Selah*

⁸Come, behold the works of the LORD,
how he has brought desolations on the earth.

⁹He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;
he breaks the bow and shatters the spear;
he burns the chariots with fire.

¹⁰"Be still, and know that I am God.
I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth!"

¹¹The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.