Village School Weekly Update

A Message From the Village Administration

Dear Village Families,

We hope you are doing well and developing a routine that works for your family. The administrative team has been in communication as we continually plan and address topics related to the virtual learning and related issues. The administrative team has also been in communication with teachers and staff members. We would like to provide you with some guidance regarding a few areas related to virtual learning.

- Attendance If your child is sick while at home, please enter the information into Genesis so we can track how our students are doing while at home. Be reminded that school nurses are monitoring and may reach out to offer assistance as needed.
- School counselors and/or case managers All staff remain available for families. They will continue to reach out to families with whom they have been closely involved. You may reach out to them if you have specific concerns. Contact information is available on each school's webpage.
- Online Learning Teachers have and will continue to reach out to their class via Google Classroom, Seesaw and/or email. It is important for your child to engage with the learning opportunities that have been provided. You can determine how many areas to cover each day and what schedule works best for your family. Teachers may reach out to you to assist with your accessibility to remote learning. Continued collaboration between home and school is critical at this time.
- Video Interaction The online learning may include videos used for instruction.
 We are not including any type of teacher video chat or live teacher interactions with our students at this point. We are currently utilizing technology that our teachers and students are familiar with and have used in the classroom. We appreciate your patience as we move through this unprecedented experience together.
- Questions or concerns can be emailed to your child's teacher or to the building administrators as appropriate.

- On Friday, the weekly email will continue to be sent out from the district. It is
 important for you to take the time to read the weekly email as it will have
 pertinent information as we proceed through the days ahead. This will include
 district-wide information and grade level updates.
- We just finished a very full and rich remote learning school week and now we
 enter a relaxing weekend. Classes and teacher communication will resume on
 Monday as we begin our second remote learning week. Enjoy the weekend.
- Thank you. It is a phrase that we use often, but please take this sentiment as a sincere and heartfelt message from us to you. We know as educators and parents how difficult and uncharted this time can be for adults and children alike.
 Your support of our children, our teachers, and our community is felt and valued.

Warm regards, Barbara Gould and Guy Tulp

School Updates

- Assistance: If your child needs assistance, please email us at vs@ww-p.or.g
- Attention Parents of Current 5th Grade Students: The Parent Portal will remain open through Monday, March 23 for middle school course requests for the 2020-2021 school year. Directions for entering course requests and the Middle School Program of Studies can be found here.
- **Spam Folder:** During this period of virtual/remote learning, our teachers will be reaching out via phone and email to students and parents. Please check your spam filters to ensure that emails sent from your child(ren)'s teachers are being directed to your inbox and not your spam folder.
- Yearbooks are on sale: Purchase by April 10 to lock in the lower price: https://link.entourageyearbooks.com/my/Village2020

District Updates

• <u>District Website</u> | <u>COVID-19 Information</u> | <u>Virtual/Remote Learning Website</u>

Counseling and Wellness

- **Health Resources:** WW-P Health Services has pulled together <u>important health</u> information/resources for families.
- Counseling and Wellness: The WW-P District Wellness Committee has created
 a website to promote the understanding that wellness is an active process of
 becoming aware of and making choices toward a healthy and fulfilling life.
 Students, families, and staff are encouraged to embed these self care resources
 into their daily routine.

Technology

 WW-P students with district-issued Chromebooks that are damaged or in need of repair should complete this <u>Google form</u> (students must login to their Google account to access the form). Once the form has been completed, students or parents may bring the broken device to the front of High School North (90 Grovers Mill Rd., Plainsboro) on Tuesdays or Thursdays from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Curriculum and Instruction

• Click here for a message from Dr. Pamela Nathan, WW-P Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction.

Food Services

• If your child(ren) receive food benefits, please check your email for instructions.

Registration

 At this time, all student registration for incoming Kindergarten students for the 2020-2021 school year, as well as students moving into the WW-P Regional School District will be done by appointment and virtually until the district re-opens. Please <u>click</u> here for more information and to begin the process.

District Facilities

 Playground Equipment and Athletic Fields: As we continue to sanitize our facilities and continue to practice social distancing, all school playground equipment/athletic fields/courts/tracks/etc. will be unavailable until further notice.

Communications

WW-P uses SchoolMessenger as our <u>district communication tool</u>.
 SchoolMessenger integrates with Genesis. It is important to ensure that your contact information is up-to-date in Genesis so that you may receive emails/texts/calls from WW-P.

Make sure to follow the district on WW-P's official social media pages.

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