

# Noxon Road Elementary School

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Dear Noxon Road Families,

First, we hope you are gearing up for our FIRST EVER NOXON ROAD FAMILY TRIVIA NIGHT! At 6pm tonight, get cozy with your family and either open our Noxon Road Elementary School Office FB Page to see our LIVE Trivia Night OR, for those not on Facebook, use the Google Meets Link here: [Noxon Family Trivia Night-Google Meets](#). We will have 3 categories for our questions, K-2, 3-5 and Staff against Families! Get ready for some fun together, enjoying our amazing community and sharing in some healthy competition and more importantly, laughs!

We hope that you all are well and staying safe during this difficult time. We all have now made it through two full weeks of Noxon Road Virtual School and we just wanted to showcase a few highlights and successes!

- About 95% of our students are logging on routinely to our teacher-created Google Classrooms and completing assignments, engaging in lessons and communicating with teachers. We are checking in almost daily with the other 5% and supporting them through this challenge.
- Teachers and T.A's are commenting frequently, posting videos, lessons, strategies, tools and office hours to support student learning and the needs of our families.
- We have created a system "in house" where we can identify students/families who are not logging on and almost daily, reach out to see how we can help and support them moving forward.
- Our secretaries are calling families, checking in on students, relaying messages from teachers to families and most recently, have reached out to those families who had not yet joined the special area teachers Google Classrooms! This has drastically improved the family participation with our very valuable Special Area lessons and assignments.
- Our Teaching Assistants have maintained contact with both their "Check and Connect" students and the students who were part of TLC. They are providing "extras" for those students in order to show them that despite the social distancing, we are always connected and always here for them.
- Every family that has requested a Chromebook, in alignment with the Arlington guidelines for such, has either received the device or it is being delivered shortly to their homes. Thanks to Technology Director Mrs. Kraus!
- We have continued to maintain quality work towards our 3 school focus areas (Staff/Student/Community Engagement, Equity and Social-Emotional Learning) and the plan for such will continue!
- Every single Reading AIS family has joined our Reading AIS Google Classroom!
- Special Education, Related Service Providers, Counselors and Psychologists are working collaboratively with families and meeting the needs of our students in creative and innovative ways.
- Our ENL teacher continues to reach out to families personally, providing assistance, translating and supporting needs through google meets and "face to face" online communication.
- In honor of Autism Awareness Month, Jesse Saperstein will be reading an amazing book and sharing a memorable presentation about the significance of this month in the lives of so many individuals who either are on the autism spectrum or have a loved one that is. He is the author of two books published by Penguin Group (USA) called, "Atypical" and "Getting a Life with Asperger's." Please log onto our Noxon Road Elementary School Office FB page or our school website to view!

# Notes and Reminders

- Take care of yourselves (and we are here to help you do that!) Teaching Assistant Ms. Papale shared this great article that we wanted to pass on to you! [Wondering why you're so TIRED? Read this!](#)
- There is still time to order the 2020 Noxon Road School Yearbook! Order yours for \$20 online at [YearbookOrderCenter.com](#) Order # 11137 By May 1st.
- Log in daily to my youtube channel at this link for student information, social-emotional lessons and new daily announcements posted by 9am daily: [Kelly Murray YOUTUBE LINK](#)
- It's time to order Square One Art with Mrs. Klass! Follow this link for information and instructions! [Don't Miss Out on Square One!](#)
- We love our student and staff participation in our challenges and daily announcement activities! Keep sending videos/pictures for us to feature!

**Have a safe and healthy weekend and now you're in our thoughts!**

*Dr. Murray*

