



Mary Ward CSS Weekly Update:

For the week of Monday May 3rd to Friday May 7th, 2021.

Hello Parents & Guardians. Below, please find our Mary Ward Weekly Update. This will also be posted on our Mary Ward portal page (Under "For Parents" tab) which can be found at:

<https://www.tcdsb.org/schools/maryward/ForParents/wardweeklyupdate/Pages/default.aspx>

Welcome to Week 2 (All learning is online due to government stay-at-home order. Cohort C & D are online together in the morning, Cohort A & B are online in afternoon)

IMPORTANT: COVID-19 REPORTING (even during stay-at-home order)

Parents & Guardians – As COVID-19 numbers are increasing in Toronto, we would ask the following of all families participating in in-person learning at Mary Ward:

- a) If a family member receives a positive COVID-19 test result, PLEASE inform the school immediately by email at maryward.info@tcdsb.org. One of the school secretaries will be able to assist.**
- b) If a family member receives a positive COVID-19 result, the child (regardless of no symptoms or negative COVID-19 test result) MUST stay home and quarantine for 14 days. This also MUST be reported to the school so that we can arrange school instruction/accommodation for your child.**
- c) IF your child develops COVID-19 symptoms or tests positive for COVID-19, please inform the school immediately and we will be in contact to lend support and to provide assistance or accommodation with schooling.**

We appreciate your continued assistance and support!

REMINDERS:

- **Settling into the new quadmester:** All students should be attending school virtually with their new Quad 4 Period 1 and Period 2 teachers. If your child is having any challenges, please be sure to do several things:
 1. If you know the teacher's name, please email them and advise them of the problem.
 2. If there is a technical issue, please contact your child's teacher immediately or email maryward.info@tcdsb.org
 3. Reach out to your child's Guidance Counsellor.
 4. If none of these work, please send an email to maryward.info@tcdsb.org. We monitor this generic school email multiple times per day. Once we see your email, we will be sure to direct it to the appropriate person.

- This is **Mental Health Week across Canada** and we are highlighting it at Mary Ward CSS. We have a number of activities that will be taking place throughout this week:
 - Mindful Monday
 - Take a Break Tuesday
 - Wellness Wednesday
 - Thankful Thursday
 - Friendly Friday

We have been discussing mental health and wellness at Mary Ward with our students throughout the pandemic. Many students and their families are struggling. We support our students and their families through our TA model, Administration, Guidance Counsellors, our school Social Worker, our School Psychologist and through the Board's important charity, the Angel Foundation. Because it is Mental Health Week, we are asking teachers to actively engage with our students on these daily activities and to continue to address and discuss these very important issues.

IMPORTANT:

- **Grade 12 graduation photos have been rescheduled until May 25 – 28. This is entirely dependent upon the Stay-At-Home order being lifted and based on TPH direction. I will send a separate email to our grade 12 students and families at a later time.**
- Update: We have hired a long term occasional (LTO) teacher for Mr. Bullock's two sections of MCR3U. We would like to welcome Ms. Robinsala Robinson Jesukumar. Your children are in great hands with Ms. Jesukumar. The teacher is in contact with Mr. Bullock and is being supported by our wonderful Math Department and Admin.

MWCSS Student Council for 2021-22: IMPORTANT!!

SAC Update: We have had many students submit their names as Student Council candidates. We will be running a virtual campaign and our electronic election will take place on Thursday May 13th during afternoon TA. *We will communicate how St. Anne's students will vote shortly.*

Monday May 3rd:

- Cohort C & D online from 8:30 – 11:00 a.m.
- Cohort A & B online from 12:20 – 2:50 p.m.

Tuesday May 4th:

- Cohort C & D online from 8:30 – 11:00 a.m.
- **TA in afternoon 12:20 – 2:50 p.m. Attendance is mandatory.**

Wednesday May 5th:

- Cohort C & D online from 8:30 – 11:00 a.m.
- Cohort A & B online from 12:20 – 2:50 p.m.

Thursday May 6th:

- Cohort C & D online from 8:30 – 11:00 a.m.
- Cohort A & B online from 12:20 – 2:50 p.m.

Friday May 7th: **Early Dismissal for Staff Meeting 1:20 p.m.**

- Cohort C & D online from 8:30 – 11:00 a.m.
- Cohort A & B online from 12:20 – **1:20 p.m.**
- **Early dismissal for Staff Meeting 1:20 p.m. Teachers and support staff will not be available after 1:30 p.m.**