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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

We have now completed the first two months of this very unique school year! Collectively we are thankful to have your children back in school as we teach and learn together during these uncertain times.

Teachers in grades K-8 have been working on the term one report cards and are busy assessing students with meaningful, authentic assessments to provide a snapshot of where your child's learning is at as we reach the end of term one.

Here are some relevant items to remember and consider as you receive the term 1 report cards.

- Students were essentially out of school from the middle of March until the beginning of September. While some students did well learning from home, others struggled.
- The foundational concepts that they require to make progress in their learning are still being acquired.
- Our expectations for progress must be adjusted based on those circumstances. It will take longer for some students to acquire the foundational skills.
- Report cards may have some areas marked as NA or IN due to our focus on core curricular areas.
- Some students may have report card marks of "1" or "ND" (Not yet demonstrated) on their first term report card. This means that at this reporting period, students are not yet at a place of having a solid or complete grasp of term one concepts.
- Your child's teacher will continue to plan for your child's next steps to help them learn the foundational pieces they require so that they can continue to experience success in school.

Your child's teachers have and will continue to work diligently to plan learning experiences based upon your child's current knowledge, understanding and skills, to help them grow and make progress as learners.

If you have specific questions about your child's learning or progress, please make arrangements to speak to your child's teacher directly.

Respectfully,



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