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As an education from home school it has been interesting to see our teacher colleagues from brick and mortar schools change their in-person teaching methods into something that fits the current public health reality in Alberta. Many have adapted some of the practices and technologies that we regularly employ while some have tried to mostly move their classes from the school to the homes of their students – not a simple task either way. Many of our teachers have been assisting friends and colleagues with their new realities. As well, about half of our teachers have had to adapt to teaching their own children from home, or at least coordinating their children's school work in new ways. They say that our brains are healthier when they have new challenges, problems we have to solve and new skills we have to learn – lots of opportunities these days.

We recently had to announce the postponement of our 2020 graduation ceremonies. There is no reasonable expectation that restrictions will be lifted in time for the celebrations we had set for the first week in June. As such, with much regret we have had to put the ceremony and banquet on hold for now as we explore options to hold celebrations in the fall. Our Activity Days and Learning Clusters are also on hold but planning for the fall is underway. We may have to adapt some of our A Days and do some Clusters a bit differently as there may still be restrictions in place but Amanda Sadler is hard at work making arrangements for the fall. Can you play a ukulele while wearing a mask and gloves? – not sure about that.

If you are experiencing difficulties with educating your children from home (just because this is normal for us doesn't mean we are exempt from the challenges) make sure you connect with your teachers or with us at the office. There are ways we can assist you and support you. Relationships are more important than ever in this time of social distancing so please do not hesitate to talk with us.

May God bless all of you with health and peace.

~ Randy Wood, Principal



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"Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see." Hebrews 11:1

What's Happening at NorthStar Academy?

Registration for the 2020-21 School year is officially open!

You must register every year.

Go to our website to find our registration forms:

<http://northstaracademycanada.org/Enroll%20Now.php>

We offer 4 programs:

Online Gr 5-12

Print Base Resource Gr 1-12

Home Ed (Traditional) Gr 1-12

Blended Gr 1-12

What week are we on?

May 11-15

Week 32 Lesson 32

Semester 2 Lesson 14

May 18-22

Week 33 Lesson 33

Semester 2 Lesson 15

Keep in mind

Be proactive in looking at your student's school Gmail.

During COVID19 we realize that families are going through trying times.

COMMUNICATION IS KEY

Dates and Activities to Remember!

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May 15-18: Long weekend, Office is Closed and Teachers are offline.

June 1: Gr 7-12
ANTI-SLAMMING policy in effect.

June 10: Submission deadline for PBR GR 1-6.

June 15: Submission deadline for Gr 5-12.

Activity Days

LIMITLESS

Learning Clusters

Due to COVID19 all activities are cancelled until further notice.

If you have not received our Activity Day Schedule, make sure you contact Amanda at activityday@nsaschool.ca

Useful Resources!

Free Online Audio Books

[http://www.openculture.com/freeaudiobooks?
fbclid=IwAR3ikWt3fcA8URnJcAr0Dopj7Y8TgSqiARnQH2tgpHgT
vvHK--5LEFaE2kk](http://www.openculture.com/freeaudiobooks?fbclid=IwAR3ikWt3fcA8URnJcAr0Dopj7Y8TgSqiARnQH2tgpHgTvvHK--5LEFaE2kk)



[https://www.youtube.com/watch?
v=92W03F4BROc&feature=youtu.be&fbclid=IwAR3cxkOu9VioKjOdap
hgH037kuwbaQ3mpcrNkob2auo76-IZldGCD3Tq19M](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=92W03F4BROc&feature=youtu.be&fbclid=IwAR3cxkOu9VioKjOdaphgH037kuwbaQ3mpcrNkob2auo76-IZldGCD3Tq19M)



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Useful Resources!

LEGO!

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCNTzwW_p6APoyk9XxANNyPg?fbclid=IwAR2pIIIFNMe8n1v63EtBltnJ_xJs59XGwzTq2cLGlhJuvhyseFEJYmQfrmU



Live Cams!

Need the ocean? A Puppy fix? Watch nature at it's finest!

<https://explore.org/livecams>



Useful Resources!

<https://www.focusonthefamily.com/parenting/encouraging-your-childs-smarts/>



[About this website](#)

FOCUSONTHEFAMILY.COM

Encouraging Your Child's Smarts - Focus on the Family

Learn about eight "smarts" that will help you recognize your children's...

<https://www.generationgenius.com/>



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Bible Memory



Why we need a Saviour

Romans 3:23 – “...for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.”

Romans 6:23 – “For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life, in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

Romans 5:8 – “But God demonstrates His own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.”

John 3:16 – “For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him will not perish but have eternal life.”

Romans 10:13 – “...for everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

Romans 8:1-2 – “Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus, the law of the Spirit of life set me free from the law of sin and death.”

This is open to all Print Base Resource, Online, and Home Education students. It is optional, and students and parents/supervisors can decide the extent of their involvement together. I know there are some students that want to do Bible Memory, but don't have a Bible Memory program in their curriculum, or love it so much that they want to do extra, so here is one you can use!

Check Us Out



Did you know that NorthStar Academy posts updates about upcoming events, contests, homeschool tips, and more on our website and social media? Check out the links below for all of the updates:



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Notes of Encouragement

What is your challenge for this month?

Write notes of encouragement for friends, family, coworkers, or whoever else is on your heart!

Write a note on a sticky note and leave it on a mirror.

Send a note in a lunch kit.

Write an email or send a message online to someone you know!

Brighten someone's day with some encouragement!