**Dear VMC Families,**

**Some important updates:**

**COVID-19 Info** - There have been recent changes to COVID-19 related protocols.  Attached is a document to help you decide what to do in order to keep your family and the community safe.  Please note that as of last week, cases from schools are being treated as variant therefore remember to wait for directives from the school or Santé Publique before testing unless you have symptoms.  The new procedure requires students to be tested twice - on day 3 and then again on day 12 and for the household to quarantine until results from the first test are available.  Included is the updated family tool kit:

[Tool for families April 2021 ANG.pdf](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/LO3MTjW11lckIga0-583gA~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRiYvfRP0R0aHR0cHM6Ly9tc2cuc2Nob29sbWVzc2VuZ2VyLmNhL20vP3M9VjNhX0J6MlNXLUUmbWFsPWQ1MjgyYTk0ZDZiOTMwNjk3OWQ5MzYwYTI3ZTRkMDY2NGEwN2Y2MTM2MWI2YTI1NjkwNmQ2NWNlZTA4NjE1ODJXB3NjaG9vbG1CCmCBUcSBYHwS4aVSEnNkdWZvcnRAZW1zYi5xYy5jYVgEAAAAAg~~)

[Tool for families April 2021 fr.pdf](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/fAhE_tpZZ_XuFSn9AXk1fA~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRiYvfRP0R0aHR0cHM6Ly9tc2cuc2Nob29sbWVzc2VuZ2VyLmNhL20vP3M9VjNhX0J6MlNXLUUmbWFsPWE5NjlkN2MyYmIxNjk5ZDUzYmQyNzFlOGY5ZmVhMzlhNWQ0ZjQ0Y2Y4MzU0ODJhOWQ3OGE0NjU3NWM4MjYxMTJXB3NjaG9vbG1CCmCBUcSBYHwS4aVSEnNkdWZvcnRAZW1zYi5xYy5jYVgEAAAAAg~~)

If there are questions, please communicate with Santé Publique.

**School Calendar** - In one version of the updated school calendar an additional Ped Day appears on April 26th, 2021.  The school is confirming that this day is a regular school day and **not a** **PED day**.  Monday, April 26th is Day 3.

[VMC 2020-2021 CALENDAR.pdf](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/s8FvjneSIWS8KVvXJDY7dw~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRiYvfRP0R0aHR0cHM6Ly9tc2cuc2Nob29sbWVzc2VuZ2VyLmNhL20vP3M9VjNhX0J6MlNXLUUmbWFsPWE3NGIzZTJjNzhlYjFmNjg2NGMyMGFiN2ZjYjlmNTI0MzVkM2IxNDc5Mjg4YTU0ZWU2OTQ2NzgwYzMxZTgyNjRXB3NjaG9vbG1CCmCBUcSBYHwS4aVSEnNkdWZvcnRAZW1zYi5xYy5jYVgEAAAAAg~~)

**Mozaik Registration** is now open for Secondary 1 to 4 parents.  Please proceed to your Mozaik account to confirm registration for 2021-22 academic year and student information.  To complete, go to: [www.mozaikportal.ca](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/3k6WeHmwMZuJFciwvtlBLg~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRiYvfRP0QaaHR0cDovL3d3dy5tb3phaWtwb3J0YWwuY2FXB3NjaG9vbG1CCmCBUcSBYHwS4aVSEnNkdWZvcnRAZW1zYi5xYy5jYVgEAAAAAg~~) or download the **mparent** app.

**Possible PM Strike Day on April 27** - Information will be coming from the school board regarding the announced teacher union strike-action that is scheduled to take place on April 27 at 2:45pm.  We will send an update regarding school procedures on Monday.

**Term 2 and End of Year Procedures -**We are half-way through Term 2, which now is worth 65% of your child's academic year.  Although there will be no official exam period, there will be an exam schedule issued for the month of May and June for local exams (school board and school level exams).

Local exams will be held during the regular school schedule over a 5 week period instead of the normal two week period in June.  At the Junior level, testing will be limited to Math, English and French.  At the senior levels, it will be the same with some additional courses at specific levels.  Please note that classes will end June 23rd instead of June 4th, 2021. A new calendar will be published in May specifically detailing the exams and the changes.

**Final Exam's Evaluation Policy Revised for the 2020-21 School Year -**The following changes have been made to the section of the evaluation policy that addresses final exams (VMC Agenda page 5):

**For 2020-21 year, all finals will be worth 25% of the year.  Where the student scores higher on the final exam, and their name has not been submitted to administration for handing in assignments late, the final exam will count for 100% of the year.**

**Exceptionally this year and pending the decision of each academic department, students that achieve 85% and above in a specific competency of a subject may be allowed to 'opt out' of the final exam.  In this case, the student will be given the choice of whether to write the final exam or not.  If the student chooses the exam, then the above 25% or 100% policy applies.  If the student has achieved an 85% and does not write the exam, they will receive their class mark based solely on their terms' evaluations.**

Information regarding which exams will be offered, the exam schedule and those course selected for an 'opt out' option will be published in May.

**PPO Event** -  Have you signed up with your team to take part in our **Trivia Night May 7th**? or do you need more information?

Please read our PPO Newsletter: [vmc\_ppo\_newsletter.docx](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/nAsrDwdeX9vlSr3mbMHdCQ~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRiYvfRP0R0aHR0cHM6Ly9tc2cuc2Nob29sbWVzc2VuZ2VyLmNhL20vP3M9VjNhX0J6MlNXLUUmbWFsPWVjMThhZDdkZDYyMzJkNDEzNjgxNzdjYjBmYzQ4MGYwMmRhNzAxZDAzYTBhOWRjMzgyZmJlNTc5Y2M4MzIzZGNXB3NjaG9vbG1CCmCBUcSBYHwS4aVSEnNkdWZvcnRAZW1zYi5xYy5jYVgEAAAAAg~~)

**Governing Board Meeting** - On April 29th, 2021 we welcome parents to attend VMC's GB meeting.  Please request the link at vmcgb@hotmail.com .   The link is emailed the evening of the meeting.

**Schedule Update:**       [April-May Calendar.pdf](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/f74vPnptMoEtfGW9jmTxfw~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRiYvfRP0R0aHR0cHM6Ly9tc2cuc2Nob29sbWVzc2VuZ2VyLmNhL20vP3M9VjNhX0J6MlNXLUUmbWFsPTc2ZTMyZmExMmZmZjQwMDY2ODJhODk3MjE0ODlmNzNlZmU1MjA4YjI3NmI2ZWJjMDBiODg4MWYzZjk0ZWE3MmZXB3NjaG9vbG1CCmCBUcSBYHwS4aVSEnNkdWZvcnRAZW1zYi5xYy5jYVgEAAAAAg~~)

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| **Day of the Week** | **Cycle Day – Date** | **Secondary 3** | **Secondary 4** | **Secondary 5** |
| **Monday** | 3 – April 26th | VMC | VMC | Virtual |
| **Tuesday** | 4 – April 27th | Virtual | Virtual | VMC |
| **Wednesday** | 5 – April 28th | VMC | VMC | Virtual |
| **Thursday** | 6 – April 29th | Virtual | Virtual | VMC |
| **Friday – Cycle Switchover** | 1 – April 30th | Virtual | Virtual | VMC |
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| **Monday** | 2 – May 3rd | VMC | VMC | Virtual |
| **Tuesday** | 3 – May 4th | Virtual | Virtual | VMC |
| **Wednesday** | 4 – May 5th | VMC | VMC | Virtual |
| **Thursday** | 5 – May 6th | Virtual | Virtual | VMC |
| **Friday** | 6 – May 7th | VMC | VMC | Virtual |
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| **Monday** | 1 – May 10th | Virtual | Virtual | VMC |
| **Tuesday** | 2 – May 11th | VMC | VMC | Virtual |
| **Wednesday** | 3 – May 12th | Virtual | Virtual | VMC |
| **Thursday** | 4 – May 13th | VMC | VMC | Virtual |
| **Friday** | 5 – May 14th | Virtual | Virtual | VMC |
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| **Monday** | 6 – May 10th | VMC | VMC | Virtual |
| **Tuesday – Cycle Switchover** | 1 – May 11th | VMC | VMC | Virtual |
| **Wednesday** | 2 – May 12th | Virtual | Virtual | VMC |
| **Thursday** | 3 – May 13th | VMC | VMC | Virtual |
| **Friday – Ped Day** | 4 – May 21st | PED Day | PED Day | PED Day |
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| **Monday - Holiday** | May 24th | Holiday | Holiday | Holiday |
| **Tuesday** | 5 – May 25th | VMC | VMC | Virtual |
| **Wednesday** | 6 – May 26th | Virtual | Virtual | VMC |
| **Thursday** | 1 – May 27th | VMC | VMC | Virtual |
| **Friday** | 2 – May 28th | Virtual | Virtual | VMC |