

Good afternoon and hello to all the families of 7M and 6J!

Although these are uncertain and unprecedented times, I hope that everyone is finding ways to stay healthy, active, and take advantage of the extra time to bond with family members. I know for me making jigsaw puzzles with my cat Graycie has become a pastime that keeps me occupied and gives me something to look forward to most days. I think it is important to find something each day that will bring you some happiness to make the most of this less-than-ideal situation we are living and coping with. Hopefully this all blows over sooner rather than later. I miss all my students and seeing them in person. We have so many good laughs at school that make things exciting, and I am eager for when life returns to normal so I can teach in person at school again and continue to learn alongside the students.

For now, we will proceed with Home Learning. I plan on using my [Teacher Page](#) and [Microsoft Teams on Office 365](#) as means of communication. I have already created a separate Team on the program for both the grade 6 and grade 7 class. You can expect to see a weekly post on Mondays on my Teacher Page with an attached document containing some activities for that week. Just like this week, I will attach 2 documents, one for the grade 6 class and one for the grade 7 class. Although I anticipate only posting once a week, I would encourage families to check my Teacher Page daily in case I post an update. Regarding the Teams, I will also be posting weekly in each one with the same documents that I attach on my Teacher Page that week. The only difference is that the activities and directions will be written in French on Teams. I envision Teams being a resource that the students can use to communicate with each other or with me if they have any questions or comments about any of the activities. So I would encourage students to post in the discussion page on their Team if they want to get in touch with me. I will be checking both Teams multiple times daily to reply to students. It would be a good idea for students to try to check for any new posts in their Team each day as well if possible to stay up to date on what is being discussed.

If any parents want to get in contact with me with any issues or questions about the Home Learning, you can email me whenever and I will do my best to get back to you quickly. Like Teams, I will be checking my email several times daily. My email is located on this page over on the right-hand side under 'Pages'. There is also a link there for Office 365 that gives access to the Teams app. Furthermore, I will be calling all the families of 7M (Mme. Yake will call the 6J families) weekly to check in to see how everyone is doing and how things are going with the Home Learning. You can expect the first call from me over the next few days.

Hopefully this all makes sense and if there is any confusion we will be talking very soon. This will be a learning process for all of us involved, and we will become more accustomed and adjusted as the weeks go on. As teachers and parents, we will continue to do our best to support our students/children and we will work together to provide them with opportunities for learning and growth.

Stay safe and have a great week everyone! We've got this! 😊

-Mr. Methot