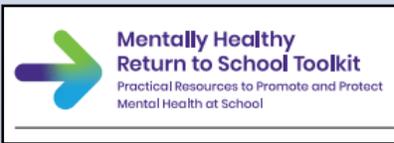




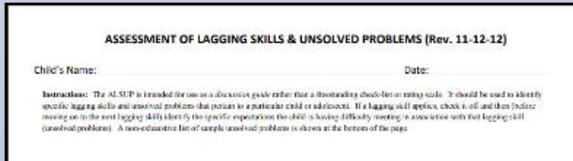
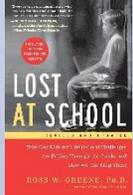
RCCDSB Vision Statement Theme for the year: LOVE UNCONDITIONALLY

Unconditional love ultimately addresses fear head on. In 1 John 4:18, we are taught “perfect love casts out fear”. What will perfect love look like in our offices, our schools, our homes as we begin this new school year ...? Perhaps it looks like empathetic listening and informed dialogue. Perhaps it looks like an accepted and celebrated axiom that the preposition “with” is far superior to “to” or even “for”[We must] continue to project and animate joy, excitement, renewal and indeed unconditional love to the children entrusted to our care. – Director of RCCDSB Mr. Perry

For Teachers: Wellness Material



You will need to open your RCCDSB google drive to access the First 10 days resource.



Lost at school is a novel by Ross Green embraced by the leadership team. Thanks Ms. Brannan for this assessment sheet on skill improvement from the book.



The RCCDSB SEL Units for the beginning of the year have excellent wellness messages that can be revisited throughout the entire year!

Mental Health resources are available and updated for teachers on this internal site.

Parents: School Time

I recently had the pleasure of taking a young student around their school to see all of the changes. When we finished, we went outside to the parent who asked, “What’s new?” The student answered “Nothing” - I turned surprised and said, “there are many changes.” The child wisely replied “Yeah, but I still get to see my friends and I get recess!”

We have heard from students throughout what will undoubtedly be called the longest summer of their lives, that children are missing their friends. In Renfrew County we all worked hard and continue working together so that students can be with their friends and enjoy the mental health benefits of connection. Here is a brief run-down of some aspects of school that look different:



There are entrance and exit signs on each door helping students enter and exit from only 1 door.



There are signs helping students know where they can sit and be appropriately socially distant in any non-classroom settings.



Floors are marked with arrows and signs denoting how far behind someone else you should walk to be socially distant.



There are hand sanitization stations outside of each classroom and at every entrance and exit which are to be used each time a student or staff member passes them.

Finally, a great reminder message from Renfrew County Public Health Unit on how the community can keep students safe. Click on the video below.



Mental Health Supports



Phoenix Centre 613-735-2374 -call for family therapy
Robbie Dean Centre 613-433-4231

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