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Dear Families,

We are all aware that the school year has been suspended indefinitely starting this Friday, March 20th. Director Robert Bratvold has sent a letter to parents which can be found on the school division webpage.

What this means for us at Vickers is that if parents can keep children home for the "wind down" period of March $17^{\text{th}} - 19^{\text{th}}$, then they must do so, if not, students may come to school as arrangements need to be made. Please notify the school in the usual way if you are keeping your child home. This is not an easy time for any of us, and over the next three school days we have decided to limit student activities and the spread of germs as much as possible for utmost student and staff safety.

A few other items of note:

*The Book Fair is not open to the public, we will allow Vickers students to go purchase books and other items during the day. We thought it was important to keep since students will at least have some new books and things when they are at home. It will be open until Thursday at 3:30 p.m.

*Parent Teacher Interviews are not open to the public. Teachers will make contact with you that evening through a phone call, email, or other messaging platform. This will take place Thursday evening and they will follow up on Friday if need be.

*The canteen will only sell packaged items - no fresh pizza will be sold. We are sorry for the inconvenience but feel we need to limit as many "outside" things into our building.

*Finally, students will bring all their personal belongings home by Thursday, March 19th. If you have kept your child home and you are not ill, you may come to the school to collect your child's belongings any time during this week before Thursday. Textbooks and instruments will remain at school.

Over the next few weeks, our school division will be working with the Ministry of Education to clarify any supplemental educational supports or opportunities for students during the time of school closure. We will communicate with our families when we know more.

So for now Vickers families . . . be safe; be kind to each other; and take care.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Jennie Green Principal