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COVID 19 UPDATE – March 26, 2020

Dear Students,

We hope you are well. We are living in challenging times, yet we are each fortunate to have a place where we are safe, and where we can continue our academic programs. None of us are 'stuck' inside, we are 'safe' inside.

Some ongoing updates:

- Most of you have already heard that the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT) has been cancelled for 2020. This means that success in the OSSLT is no longer a requirement for graduation for this academic year.
- 2. The University of Waterloo's Centre for Education in Mathematics and Computing has announced that the international **Euclid Contest** will not be written on the previously scheduled dates in April 2020. A date will be announced in the future. The university emphasizes that Euclid Contest results will not be a factor in this year's admissions and scholarship awards.
- 3. **Remote learning has begun in all classes.** This learning and the assessments which are part of it are crucial to your successful completion of this academic year. Please make sure you sign in for each class Monday to Friday, and be sure to complete and submit all work by the dates requested. If you haven't 'met' online with any of your teachers yet, please do so right away.
- 4. We are very concerned that a very few students are not taking seriously the 'self isolation' guidelines provided by Ontario's Department of Public Health. These safety measures are imperative if the spread of COVID 19 is to be contained. **Social distancing is not a recommendation, it is a requirement.** None of us is entitled to put our friends and families at risk.

Don't hesitate to email your teachers, Miss.Trish or me if you need any assistance with learning or any other aspect of your life here. We will continue to keep in touch with you; we share your concerns and we are here to help. Remember you can reach us by email anytime: <u>alison.currie@mysoc.ca</u>; <u>principal@mysoc.ca</u>; <u>admin@mysoc.ca</u>.

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