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April 24, 2020

Dear Parents & Friends,

We thank you for completing our remote learning survey and for providing us with important feedback. I hope the changes we've made along the way are bringing added improvement to our efforts. Although the reason for the survey was not to garner praise, your very kind words did much to bolster the staff. Your emails have also been very helpful, both in letting us know when we are missing the mark as well as when we are being successful.

This Wednesday's virtual field trip featured various "Youtube Crash Course" videos on all our subject areas: Mathematics, Biology, Technology, Economics, and Humanities. The videos seemed to hold everyone's attention and provided fodder for a lively discussion afterward.

We are foregoing the April vacation but doing so with a lighter workload, fewer Zoom meetings, and a celebration of Spark Spirit Week! The Spark Student Council, with suggestions from Mrs. Harnois, has chosen among a variety of activities and themes for each day. Please note that our weekly Zoom schedule has been changed for Spirit Week.

Spark Spirit Week 2020

Monday, 4/27:

- Dress Theme: School Spirit Day - wear your Spark gear or colors, make signs, etc.
- Activity: Meme Presentation Day - The students and faculty will share their choice of memes in a group Zoom meeting at 1:00pm. Create your own or simply share one, but all memes must be school appropriate.

Tuesday, 4/28:

- Dress Theme: Flashback - Dress from a different decade
- Activity: Cooking Challenge - The students and faculty will share photos of their cooking skills and describe their creations at a 1:00pm Zoom meeting

Wednesday, 4/29,

- Dress Theme: Dress like a Meme
- Activity: Share your pet or "create" a pet to share on Zoom at 1:00pm

Thursday, 4/30:

- Dress Theme: Dress like your favorite character
- Activity: Robot Spirit Challenge at 10:00am - Mr. Larochelle will explain this to the students and Brawlhalla Tournaments from 11:00am to 3:00pm

Friday, 5/1:

- Dress Theme: Pajama Day

- Activity: *Rogue One: A Stars Wars Story* beginning at 11:00 am - details to follow re: accessing the film watch party

Our Zoom hangout meetings on Fridays will be suspended as the students don't seem to need or want them at this time. These meetings can be re-instated at any time if our students feel the need.

Spark Spirit Week Zoom Meeting Schedule						
	SUN 26	MON 27	TUE 28	WED 29	THU 30	FRI 1
GMT-04						
10 AM		Newton & Wright T 10am, ht	Newton Biology Zc 10am, https://us04		Newton & Robot Sp 10am, ht	Newton Biology Zc 10am, https://us04
11 AM		Newton & Wright Z 11am, Jc	Wright Zoom Meet 11am, https://us04		Brawl Ha Tournam 11am - 3pm https://us04we b.zoom.us/j/74 110171495? pwd=RVN5UE9 QmFCdk4yOXp Yc0xheDk1dz0 9	Wear PJ's Wright Z watch Rd 11am, ht
12 PM						
1 PM		Meme Day 1pm, https://us04v	Cooking Challenge 1pm, https://us04v	Share your pet and 1pm, https://us04v		
2 PM				Humanities Zoom Humanities Zoom		
3 PM						

The staff has decided to purchase Spark hoodies for all the students. They will be delivered in a week or two or three (COVID 19 Effect), and we will coordinate curbside drop-off to all our students. This is just our way of extending the Spark spirit.

Facebook...

If you go to our Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/SparkAcademyNH/>), you will find slideshows going back to our very first day of school. We will be posting twice-weekly slideshows through the rest of this school year. It's a nice trip down memory lane for all of us!

Working through the April vacation week allows us to conclude the school year early. Therefore, the final day for Spark Academy for the 2019-2020 school year will be June 2, 2020.

Until next week,
May the Spark be with you...

Denis Mailloux
Director