# The Royal Review

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### "Spring Has Sprung, Go Have Fun"

#### FVAA Online

On March 17, 2020, our Superintendent of Education announced that B.C. is to suspend K-12 schools indefinitely because of the COVID-19 outbreak. All classes previously taught in school will be taught online for the remainder of the school year. FVAA is committed to continuing K-12 education online. This alteration may not be easy or comfortable for some students, but it is a necessary change to ensure the safety and health of our school family.

Written by: Emma

#### Canceled Events

Unfortunately, because of COVID-19 all extracurricular activities and field trips have been suspended. That includes senior football, badminton season, band/choir tour, as well as elementary and middle school field trips and events. We would like to thank all of those students who tried out for our sports events, and we want to give a special thanks to our senior athletes that for the past years have helped our FVAA Royals to achieve so much. We also would like to thank Mrs. Dodds for all her effort and time preparing our musical classes for the tour. Thank you all for this year, and we all hope for a much better year in

Written by: Isadora

#### Chaplain's Corner

Right now, it's April, but it doesn't feel like April. In fact, nothing has really felt like it's supposed to since the last day of school before March break, the time since our 2020 class challenge. It's been a time of change and adapting. When we have to go through so much change, it's easy for things to get discouraging and easy for us to lose motivation. During a time like this, we

need to make time for God and hear what He has to say. Here's what the Bible tells us: "Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble." (Matthew 6:34) To get through the stress that COVID-19 is putting on all of our lives, we need to focus on our lives day by day. Worry about what matters today, focus on the people around you right now, look at what's in front of you. We need to focus on what we can control. With the power of God, we'll keep moving forward. Though we are apart, I am always praying for you all, and I can't wait for us to see each other again. Stay blessed.

Written By: Pastor Ben Edited By: Megan

#### Philosopher's Query

What would be the most ethical way to give away 5 million dollars?

Written by: Zoe

#### Trivia

Where did the coronavirus outbreak of 2019-2020 originate?

A: Wuhan, China

B: Tokyo, Japan

C: Hong Kong, China

D: Hanoi, Vietnam

Written by: Vivienne

#### High School Update

Since in-school instruction has been cancelled indefinitely, FVAA has made a big transition to doing online school. We asked a few students and teachers this question: How is the transition to online schooling going for you?

"This transition for me has been very difficult to start because I am a very social person, so I find that I am really missing my friends. It is also hard because I love being active and going places, although I think being quarantined has given me an amazing opportunity to strengthen my relationship with God because I have no excuse to not make time for Him. I also feel like this is a great time for me to practice self-growth and figure out what really matters to me in life."

- Jada, grade 12

"For me, this transition to online school hasn't been too hard, but it's definitely a very different school experience that I have to get used to. I miss seeing my classmates and the rest of HS everyday, but it's nice to be able to connect despite the distance."

- Rachel, grade 11

"It's pretty tough, not going to lie... It was confusing at first, but I'm kind of getting the hang of it." - Kacie, grade 8

"I'm currently not liking online school. I'm surprised because I really thought I would love it. I'm so glad I get to connect with my students using all this technology, but it's not the same. I'm really missing the face-to-face interactions, body language and subtle facial gestures. Yes, I even miss hearing chattering in class when they shouldn't be and yelling down the hallway!" - Mrs. Sabot

"I think it's less of an adjustment for me than many other teachers, since everything is new for me this year anyway. It is different not interacting with my students face to face. On the bright side, it's nice having a puppy with me at work! "- Ms. Septembre

Written by: Vivienne

#### Trivia Answer

A: Wuhan, China

#### Studying at Home 101

If you are studying at home, which all of you are, then you should make sure you actually have somewhere to write/type. (The ground will work as well.) If you're exercising for P.E., please don't go to public gyms. Social distancing is the key to staying safe in this situation.

Written by: Max

#### Be Greater

This year's theme is to "be greater" meaning to be a better version of yourself and to have Christ-like behavior. One way you could be greater at home during this pandemic is to attend your online classes and keep up with your grades by finishing your homework and handing it in on time. Another way you could be greater during this strange time we're living in is to look out for the people around us who are less fortunate, whether it's just donating money online to a charity or going outside with precautions and giving them food or money. Even just praying with them could do a lot. Try your best to be greater during this horrific time while still keeping a Christ-like mentality!

Written by: Harnoor

### Teachers Getting Creative!

The teachers, especially those teaching you electives are getting really creative with their online classes. Mrs. Sabot has been doing some interesting things for her art class using technology. The students this week have been making a timelapse putting together a "found object colour wheel." This is done by placing objects around their house in colour wheel order. It isn't easy doing things online, but the teachers with their creative ideas are making it work!



- Emma, grade 10



Martin, grade 10Written by: Chrislyn

### Middle School Events and Transition

Before the break, grades 7 and 8 went to the Old Spaghetti Factory and the swimming pool. Caleab in grade 8 said he had fun, and his favorite part was using the diving boards and eating. Russel in grade 7 said he had fun. His favorite part was eating at the Spaghetti Factory.

The transfer to online school is a work in progress, but they are getting the hang of it. Some things they are doing right now in grade seven for applied skills is to do a chore for their parents and take a picture. For science, they had to cook or bake something using measuring tools and take a picture.





(Photos below of Karston, grade 7, baking and photo of food made by Danielle, grade 7)

Written by: Celeste

Green Shirt Day

April 7 was green shirt day! Green Shirt Day was made to raise awareness of a brave young man who saved six other people by registering for organ donation. He died tragically in an accident along with 15 other people who were on his hockey team, but his organs were used to save lives.

On Green Shirt Day, students usually wear a green shirt or a jersey to show respect for fallen people and to raise awareness of the importance and value of organ donation. Consider becoming a donor today!

Written by: Zoe

#### Staying Connected

Students recently started adapting to new meeting methods due to the worldwide situation with COVID-19. We had one high-school assembly over Zoom, an app that allows a large number of people to video chat together. Students are expected to wake up on time, join and be respectful of others. Things like Green Shirt Day were mentioned and its importance to all of us. SA also shared a few ideas of how we should all stay connected on social media through an account on Instagram. Every few days, they post ideas of how to be productive and occupied during quarantine. Our next chapel will be on Friday 17th.

Written by: Dayana

#### International Reporter

The COVID-19 situation sent some of the international students back home. An indefinite term of no school has made some of them think it is safe to be back at home with their family. There were fewer people at the airport than before. People were physically distancing and were being very careful with stuff they had to touch. All of them were wearing masks and gloves, and some of them were even wearing goggles and sunglasses. On the plane, people did not take off their masks and kept them on for the entire time. When the plane arrived at its destination, they were extra careful and strict with the quarantine.

It is hard for international students abroad to keep up with the live session work because of the time zone. With teachers' and friends' help, it has made it a lot easier.

Written By: Jinwon

Riddles and Jokes Does February like March? No, but April May.

When do monkeys fall from the sky? During APE-ril showers.

What flowers grow on faces? Tulips (Two-lips)!

Written by: Soleina

#### Student Work

Here are some pictures of students' work before the COVID-19 outbreak happened.







In grade 1, Praise made a beautiful butterfly with different colours. Grade 4 made a project using folded paper while Joey and the other kindergarteners made animals with construction paper.

Written by: Miriam

## **Poll**Did you have travel plans that were cancelled due to COVID-19?



Written by: Emma

#### Spring Break

Some of us had plans for spring break but due to COVID-19, a lot of plans changed. Canada restricted everyone from flights that were not absolutely necessary, and the federal government advised everyone to stay home as much as possible. Unfortunately, that changed lots of people's plans for spring break. I asked some students if COVID-19 changed anyone's plans for spring break. These are their responses.

"Yes! I was going to go to San Francisco" - Emma, grade 10

"I was going to go to my dad's house but couldn't because of COVID-19"

- Dakota, grade 9

"Yeah, plans with my friends to go to Vancouver and just hangout in general. Family trip was cancelled as well."

- Dayana, grade 12

Written by: Kelly

#### Class Challenge

March 13 was Class Challenge 2020 and this year's theme was "Light." During the day, the high school students competed against students from other grades on games like Name That Tune, trivia, spelling, pop the balloon and others. Of course, each grade also painted a tile, had a creative class entrance/cheer, and collected food donations. We also want to congratulate the grade 10 class for winning Class Challenge 2020.

Written by: Adriana

