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Dear Parents/ Guardians,

Re: Board Owned Devices

During the school closure period, the Sudbury Catholic District School Board was able to support students and families with online learning by providing devices to those who needed it. We are very proud that over 900 devices were deployed to support distance learning. We know that schools will remain closed until the end of June. The Ministry of Education and the Board are committed to providing a variety of summer learning opportunities for students. Because of this, **we are allowing our students to keep their devices for the summer and return them on the first day of classes in September 2020.**

Please note, if you are not returning to the Board in September (eg: grade 12 or grade 8 graduating students), you will be required to return your device in June. A process for returning devices will be forthcoming.

We ask that you take great care of the devices during the summer months. Please ensure to:

- Charge your device on a regular basis and at least weekly
- Use or store the device safely away from water or heat sources
- Devices should never be left in the vehicle
- Carry the device with care as to avoid dropping it
- Avoid placing the device on the floor where it can be stepped on
- Use only by a responsible person

During the summer, we suggest using the device to continue learning. There are many great programs, apps and sites that can support your child's learning. We highly recommend that you visit our Board's [Learn @ Home](#) website for links to amazing resources. This site should be your GO TO place. There is also a link there to the Ministry of Education's learn at home site.

Summer learning can be fun using both electronic and non-electronic means. Search on the Internet for ideas, ask friends and follow these suggestions:

- Read every single day from a variety of sources
- Write daily using various tools and forms (i.e. electronic portfolio, daily journal...)
- Speak for a variety of purposes, use French/Ojibway as a second language
- View educational videos, webinars, educational television programs...
- Listen to podcasts, educational radio, different types of music...
- Mathematize everything around you, play games and use apps...

- Stay physically active and make healthy meal choices...
- Experiment through inquiry about the world around you (i.e.: Plant a garden, build a bird house, play in the water, track the weather...)
- Draw, paint, make crafts, appreciate the arts...
- Engage in coding/robotics/building apps and programs...
- Be an active citizen in the community (i.e.: clean the yard/park, help a neighbour, write a letter to elderly, walk a dog...)