

# Thorne Bay School



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## Home of the Wolverines!

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We are thrilled to be back in green! There is nothing quite so desolate and forlorn as a school robbed of its student presence. It becomes a shroud of its former self. Spirits are high and eyes are bright as students and staff mingle again!

Staff did a phenomenal job supporting students while we were red. The community appreciated all the ways staff was visible and flexible while students educated remotely. Staff volunteered for many roles and took the lead in organizing the distribution of meals and materials, consistently putting students' first. They realized their goal of contacting students daily. We are blessed to have such a team!

Our newly elected student council is off and running with many ideas to make the school more memorable for students! President Grace, Vice President Jordan, Secretary/Treasurer Jakob, ASC Student Liaison Emily, High School Representative Francesco and Junior High Representative Bonnie are working together to bring the student body together. We appreciate their enthusiasm and candor!

We are working on a new class schedule for semester two. Staff are excited about new electives they are offering. Student input was gathered ahead of time to ascertain their interests and ensure electives offered would be classes they would enjoy. It is a delight to see staff and students working together to create an educational experience that is specifically designed for our students!

Power School is really coming along. We are over the moon with the dedication our scheduling team (Matt Gore, Amy Jennings, Amy McDonald, and Charles Becker) has shown in creating such a stupendous online tool for which teachers have been diligent in compiling data in order to ensure we have current information on student progress. It is amazing how many areas of school life Power School touches and how much it supports staff and students when it is running so smoothly. We are looking forward to the start of the second half of the school year and all the opportunities it holds!