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Dear Parents/Guardians of ***Vincent Massey Public School***:

We are excited to inform you that the Kawartha Pine Ridge District School Board has a new communication system for students and parents. 'Edsby' is designed to provide better access to information about school, in a clear, easy to understand format. Once in full operation, Edsby will become more of a "window" into your child's classroom where you will gradually be able to see what learning is going on in class on an ever-growing basis. As well, you will eventually be able to read school and board-wide news. Edsby also keeps everything safe and secure within the confines of our school board - meaning no one from the outside world is "allowed in".

This will be a good place to keep up to date on your child(ren)'s school information. Some teachers and students are just starting to use this communication tool within the classroom now. It is important to note that we will all be on different technology learning curves as we transition into the online world of Edsby. Helping one another however we can through this process will be key to its successful implementation. The next step is inviting you into the classroom. Your username will be your email address, so now is the time to ensure the school secretary has your current email address. Edsby provides each parent with their own account, so if there are two parents at home, we encourage you to provide both addresses.

When the time comes, you will be sent the login information with the registration process to create a password. If you have more than one child attending our school, you can use the same information to log in and see information for them all.

If you would like to learn more about Edsby, **visit <http://www.edsby.com>**. They have a page specifically for parents and even an introductory video you can watch. Edsby also has a free app for all smart phones. If you're using a Blackberry, Edsby works great within your browser as well.

We are very excited and look forward to connecting you even more with your child's education. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely,

Melanie AsSing  
Vice-Principal