

OPEN LETTER TO THE RESIDENTS OF VALLEY WATERS

There has been a lot of discussion recently regarding the fate of the Norton Elementary School and we want to assure the parents and residents that, in discussions with the Dept. of Education and Early Childhood Development and the District Education Council, they have every intention to complete repairs in a timely fashion and return the Norton students to their school in Norton by January 2025, immediately following Christmas Break.

The District has received approval to complete the required repairs which, due to its early detection, allowed for the fix to be done. Making these repairs now removed the need for more difficult decisions to be made in the future. We look forward to the completion of the work and will celebrate with the community and the students when they are back in a building that is safe for them to continue their education.

Norton Elementary is an important part of the educational infrastructure in our district. Unprecedented population growth in the province has resulted in increased enrollment in all areas requiring schools to remain open not closed and so, with these repairs, Norton Elementary will continue to serve our community as it has over the past 75 years.

Thank you to the Staff at Sussex Elementary for their support and accommodation during this time We appreciate your patience while the school undergoes these renovations.

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