

Wexford Collegiate School for the Arts

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

It is with great sadness that we inform you of the death of much-loved Wexford Collegiate School for the Arts teacher Susan Longuet, who passed away this weekend. We know that you will join with us in expressing our deepest condolences to grieving family and friends.

Susan was a caring and key member of the Wexford team for 11 years. As a Leader in Guidance, she met and knew most of our students. She will be remembered as a dedicated educator who made strong connections with those she encountered. A strong and passionate advocate for mental health and well-being, Susan introduced programs to Wexford to raise awareness about these important issues.

While she will be very sorely missed by our community, Susan made such an impression on and influenced so many of us that, in a very real sense, she will continue to have an impact on the education of children, which is something that she cared about so deeply.

The memorial service is a private event but there will be a celebration of life at a later date. When we have information about this, we will share details.

This is a sombre time for all of us at our school. Toronto District School Board staff have been with us today to offer support and counselling and will remain for as long as needed. I know that you will also want to help your children in any way possible. We encourage families to talk in whatever way is appropriate for each family.

Thank you for your support and understanding during this difficult time. Please feel free to contact the school if you have any concerns or questions.

Sincerely,

Tom Lazarou

Principal, Wexford Collegiate School for the Arts