

# WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL

### **Information For Students and Families**



# Welcome Back to Elementary School

We are happy to welcome you back into our school community!

We ask that you read this information carefully so you and your child know what to expect. Your child's health and safety is as important to us as it is to you. You can help us by ensuring that both you and your child understand the importance of following the procedures on these pages. We can do this together and you can help by keeping your child home when you, anyone in your household, or your child is unwell.



### LABEL EVERYTHING

Label your child's water bottle, supplies, and all materials they bring to school. Only water bottle filling stations are open.



### **SNACKS & LUNCH**

Pack a healthy, nut free snack and lunch your child can eat independently without reheating. NO LUNCH DROP OFFS



## **CARE & CALM**

Know that our goal is always to provide care and a sense of calm to your child.



#### Scheduled Drop Off & Pick UP

Each child will enter and leave the school at a designated time, one by one.



#### Wash Your Hands

Students will wash their hands or use hand sanitizer upon arrival each day, throughout the day, and before leaving.



#### 2 Metres Apart

Respect the spacing and physical distancing of 2 metres Rest assured we will all be practicing physical distancing.

# Days will be different

The days in June are designed to support your child's last month of learning. We will be learning and playing outside a lot. Schedules for staff and students will vary and sometimes



your child will see familiar faces and friends, and sometimes they will not. Recess breaks and lunches will be staggered to ensure physical distancing. Our goal is to balance your child's educational needs within a safe, supportive environment.

You must review these questions each day before bringing your child to school:

## **Mandatory Daily Health Declaration Process for Students**

- 1) Does your child have symptoms (fever, cough, sore throat, difficulties breathing) OR recent onset of fever and cough?
- 2) Does anyone in your household have symptoms: fever, cough, sore throat, difficulty breathing? OR recent onset of fever and cough?
- 3) Has your child or anyone in your household traveled outside Canada within the last 14 days?
- 4) Has your child come in contact with someone who has COVID-19?

Answering YES to any of the questions on the Daily Health Declaration Process will prevent the student from entering the school effective immediately.

- \* A YES answer to Question 1: your child will need to stay home until they have been assessed by a health care provider to exclude COVID-19 or other infectious diseases AND their symptoms have resolved.
- \* A YES answer to Question 2: your child will need to stay home until the family member has been assessed by a health care provider to exclude COVID-19 or other infectious diseases AND their symptoms have resolved.
- \* A Yes answer to Question 3, your child will need to stay home to self-isolate based on the Quarantine Act.
- \* A Yes answer to Question 4, your child will need to stay home to self-isolate for 14 days based on the advice of the Public Health Authority.
- \* Contact the school if you have answered Yes to any of the above questions.

Our goal is for everyone to be healthy and safe.

## **Arriving and Leaving School:**

It will be important to be on time and come at your designated arrival and pick up times. Note the entrance/exit your child will use, as families and children will line up to be welcomed and dismissed in a staggered manner to allow for physical distancing. Families will not enter the school at these times.

#### **Students will:**



- Wash their hands before proceeding to the designated learning space. Note, we will be washing our hands frequently and before we go home.
- \* Label everything they bring to school: a re-fillable water bottle, pencil box and their own school supplies, including any that were borrowed such as a school iPad.
- \* Need nut free snacks and lunch, that do not require re-heating. Lunches must be packed and NOT delivered. Students will not go home for lunch. There will be NO food sharing.
- \* Bring clothing for being outside in all weather, including indoor and outdoor footwear.

#### The Use of Masks

Wearing a mask is a personal choice. Any mask, no matter how efficient at filtration or how good the seal, will have minimal effect if it is not used together with other preventive measures, such as frequent hand washing and physical distancing. It is important to treat people wearing masks with respect. More information about COVID-19 related mask use is available <a href="here.">here.</a>

