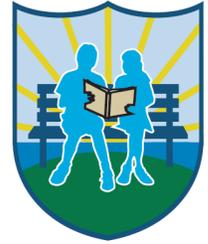


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Sunday, January 9, 2022

Dear Pebble Hill Families:

We are very much looking forward to welcoming all students back to school tomorrow morning, Monday, January 10th at 8:55a.m. We hope you all had a restful and enjoyable winter break and are ready to join us as we begin term two.

In preparation for the return to school, please see the following guidance that is provided to help reduce the risk of Covid transmission:

Please ensure that the “Daily Health Check” is completed each day prior to travelling to school. <https://www.deltasd.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2021/10/daily-health-check-english-Sept-22.pdf>

Here are some informative tools that may also be helpful: <https://bc.thrive.health/>

The B.C. Centre for Disease Control website is an excellent resource: <http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19>

Information for keeping children safe: <http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19/covid-19-and-children/keeping-children-safe>

It is expected that students will stay home from school when sick and that we will continue to follow public health recommendations.

**** Please continue to have a plan ready for someone to be available to promptly pick up your child from school should they present with symptoms that require them to leave the building as soon as possible.***

If you test positive for COVID-19 or have been told you have COVID-19: <http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19/if-you-have-covid-19>

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Masks:

More than ever, masks are an integral part of the safety protocol for COVID-19. Under the public health order, everyone who is able, must wear a mask (except those with a specific exemption). According to Public Health guidelines, when layered with other recommended public health measures, a well-constructed, well-fitting, and properly worn mask can help prevent the transmission of Covid19. Proper fit is a key factor in the effective use of masks that should completely cover the nose, mouth, and chin. Students should come to school with two to three clean, well-fitting masks each day with the extras kept in a Ziploc or small container. Also, please understand that children will be reminded of the importance of distancing and avoiding touch while both inside and outdoors. We understand that it is important to avoid the “air flow” of others as often as possible to reduce the chance of transmission.

Proper Mask Fit:

<https://www.canada.ca/content/dam/phac-aspc/documents/services/publications/diseases-conditions/covid-19-mask-fit-properly/covid-19-mask-fit-properly-en.pdf>

All adults and siblings visiting the school grounds during drop-off and pick-up are strongly recommended to wear a mask and avoid crowding by distancing from other children and families.

In summary, we have been provided the following guidelines as some of the most effective Covid19 prevention measures to support health while attending school at this time:

- Being fully vaccinated, if possible
- Completing a daily health check and staying home when sick
- Using available space to spread out and to respect other's personal space
- Wearing masks in accordance with the Provincial Health Officer Order on Face Coverings
- Washing hands regularly
- Cleaning and disinfecting surfaces at least once a day

Please also note the following:

- We have been informed that at this time, we are not able to welcome volunteers into the school. This includes volunteers for extra-curricular activities. We are so very grateful for all the volunteer work done during term one. Thank-you!!
- Hot Lunch dates are “on hold” until further notice. Please see the email from last week regarding this postponement.
- Please ensure students are dressed appropriately for wet, cold weather. Please send them with boots, hats, gloves/mittens, scarves, and a warm coat. We continue to spend extra time outdoors.
- Please ensure that each child has a reusable leak-proof bottle filled with water for the day.

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Regarding school notifications related to possible Covid exposure:

Recent public health guidance recommends that going forward, schools will be monitoring their attendance to determine if a public health-determined threshold and concern regarding absence due to illness for a grade or school has been met. If met, schools will be told to send a notification to the school community (students/families & staff), indicating that the threshold has been met and that there is consultation with public health regarding the potential need for further investigation/action.

Please also continue to access the Delta School District website to view communication & additional information:

<https://www.deltasd.bc.ca/news-events/news/information-for-parents-guardians-novel-coronavirus/>

As always, thank-you for your continued support and partnership. Please reach out to me if you have any questions or concerns.

Warm Regards,

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