Hi folks, hope this note finds you healthy and safe.

As you may have heard, the government is providing the opportunity for students to return to schools in June.

Together with WorkSafe BC and the Medical Health Officer, our district has developed protocols to ensure everyone's safety when we return. As a staff, we have been practicing these new protocols over the last couple of weeks and have been discussing how these will look once students return to the building.

Please understand that the school will look and feel very different than it did before spring break. Student numbers will be strictly limited/enforced to ensure safe practices are met. Each classroom, depending on size, will allow a specific number of students per class to enforce physical distancing. There will also be other specifics surrounding safety that will be discussed with your child before they enter the building.

For example, there will be no coffee or food service (kitchen will remain closed to all), bathroom usage will be monitored/limited, once you leave the building there will be no return that day, and hallway protocols will be explained.

The time in the building will be for educational and scheduled purposes only. If protocols can not be followed, your child will be asked to leave. A conversation with you, the parent/guardian, will take place and the situation will be explained. Our goal is to keep all students and staff safe. With this in mind, are you interested in having your child return to school in June? We can not commit to what the schedule would look like right now, as we have to know how many students we are planning for, as well as, the needs of the students who are returning. Furthermore.

- What would you hope your child will accomplish during this time? Or
- What do you feel is the primary reason for your child to be in attendance at the school?
- Do you have transportation needs?

Please note, Zoom meetings and check ins will continue for those who choose not to come, as well as those asked to leave. Times and days may be different as teachers are asked to accommodate being back in the building as well as maintaining the remote learning currently taking place. Please understand that government and district guidelines are continually changing. We will keep you informed of changes as they come.

Your mentor teachers will be trying to contact you to talk about your intentions. If you do not get a call in the next day or so please contact me and I will work through the details with you. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Take Care!

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