



August 31, 2021

BCA Families,

Welcome back, we are anxious to see you and once again enjoy our BCA community. It seems like forever since the children were here in the school building, but it has been nice to return and see the summer camps and activities back in full swing. We are looking forward to seeing you in a just a few more days. We are committed to returning to a more normal, full-time, safer, in-person school environment this September.

When the students return, they will notice a few changes to the inside of the school building. The time away has allowed us to finish some facility updates that were badly in need of repair. You will notice a whole new foyer floor and the children will enjoy a repaired and resurfaced gym floor. The JK/SK play area has also received an overhaul including new play equipment for the children.

I am sure you have many questions regarding the upcoming year and how it will be different from last year. We have learned to be flexible and so have made plans for the start of the school year but understand those plans could change at any time. We are following the advice of Halton Public Health and so will be starting the school year with very tight restrictions but hoping we will be able to lighten up during the year. Please find attached our plan for the start of the school year.

The Ontario government has asked all schools and organizations to have a vaccination policy. Our plan is very simple. Any school staff or service provider must show proof of vaccination to enter the school building. If a person cannot be vaccinated due to health restrictions, they will be tested twice a week at the school. If a parent needs to enter the building for any reason, please let Mrs. St. John know ahead of time and she will meet you at the entrance doors. As mentioned earlier we are hopeful these restrictions will lighten in the next couple of months, but we will keep you informed as things change.

Due to all of the issues surrounding Covid, we are asking parents from grades 3-8 to supply their children with their own laptop computer. If you are not able to do that, let your classroom teacher know and we will provide your child with an older Chrome Book that they can use for the year. All staff are back this week so if you do have questions don't hesitate to contact us. We look forward to seeing you at the Open House this Thursday, from 2:00 to 6:00 pm.

Yours in Christ,

Rob Lofthouse