

KATZIE ELEMENTARY

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Parents/Guardians,

As you know, we have entered another phase with COVID and schools have been working to strengthen existing COVID safety protocols and plan for possible functional school closures. Functional school closures would be determined by our district in the event that we do not have adequate staff for the school to operate. As we expect all students to return to school on Monday, January 10th, we would like to share some key pieces of information with our community.

COVID Safety Protocols

Below is a list of key protocols that will help minimize the spread of COVID:

- Completing a daily health check
<https://www.k12dailycheck.gov.bc.ca/healthcheck?execution=e1s1>
- Staying home when sick (do not send symptomatic children to school)
- Wearing properly fitting masks
- Cleaning hands regularly
- Maximizing space between people and avoid crowding
- Holding virtual meetings, gatherings and events
- Limiting visitor access to the school
- Pausing extracurricular sports

In addition, for the next while we will be further staggering recess/lunch, postponing the start of Basketball season, postponing off-site field trips, asking parents to not enter the school building and asking students to leave the school grounds immediately after school. Our hope is that with these added measures, we will be able to avoid a functional school closure.

Functional School Closure

In the event of a functional school closure, a letter from the district will be sent out to our community via Parent Newsflash (email), our school website and the Katzie PAC Facebook page. All parents will be asked to keep their children home and classes will resume virtually (on Microsoft TEAMS) within two days. Functional school closures are expected to last seven days. In preparation for a possible functional school closure, we are asking all teachers to set up a classroom TEAMS account and add all students to those TEAMS. Parents should contact their child's teacher to ensure that all pertinent contact information is shared with the teacher by early next week. Families are also encouraged to make additional preparations such as access to technology, internet and appropriate child care.

We understand that these are challenging times for everyone and thank you for your continued patience and partnership. As always, please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Sol Lee".

Sol Lee
Principal
Katzie Elementary