



Forsyth Focus #1

September 11th, 2020

Dear Forsyth Road Families,

It was such a joy to welcome students back to school this week! Everyone did an excellent job of social distancing, hand washing, and following the new routines and procedures. Thank you to all the parents and guardians who have clearly done an outstanding job of preparing their children for the new norms of school. We are confident that this is going to be a fabulous year for learning as well as safety.

On Monday, September 14th all students in grades 1 to 7, in the regular face-to-face program will be attending full time. Please see detailed schedule below. We will only be doing a staggered start on this day. After Monday, all Grades 1-7 will be attending full time. Please make sure to bring a water bottle, snack and lunch.

Kindergarten students should continue to follow the gradual entry schedule and students in the Blended program will receive more information and contact from their teacher next week.

Supply lists will be sent home next week and can also be found on our school website under the parent tab.

Please make sure that you sign up on the website for our newsletters and download the School Link app to receive important and timely information.

Please ensure that you are doing the health assessment (guidelines below) daily with your child before sending them to school. If a child does develop symptoms at school, we will be calling parents/guardians for a prompt pick up while the child waits in a room just beside the office. The child will be supervised at all times.

The school building, including the office, is closed to the public. If a student is late, please go to the classroom door and the teacher will notify the office that the student has arrived safely. Also, please make sure to send all lunches and supplies everyday as we can no longer have things dropped off at the office. If you do need to reach the office, please call 604-588-8394 and we will be happy to assist you.

Again, thank you to our entire community for your patience and understanding with school start up. Have a wonderful weekend!

Sincerely,

Mrs. J. Forbes

Meeting locations for Monday, September 14th

Grade 1, 2, 3 and 4 students will be welcomed back at 8:35 am. Please head to the back field and look for your grade group sign. Dismissal will be at 2:30 pm back at the field. You will receive a letter with the name of your child's teacher as well as room number. On Tuesday morning, students are to line up outside their classroom door.

Grade 5, 6 and 7 students will be welcomed back at 9:05 am. Please head to the back field and look for your grade group sign. Dismissal will be at 2:30 pm back at the field. You will receive a letter with the name of your child's teacher as well as room number. On Tuesday morning, students are to line up outside their classroom door.

Please note that as of Monday, students will be placed in their classes and cohorts. From there, we are not permitted to move students from classes and cohorts as per the Health and Safety regulations.

Daily Self-Assessment and Health Checks

Parents and caregivers must assess their child daily for symptoms of common cold, influenza, COVID-19, or other infectious respiratory disease before sending them to school. If a child has any symptoms, they must not go to school.

Daily screenings start at home. Parents are asked to answer these questions prior to sending their child to school:

- Does your child have the symptoms of a common cold, influenza, COVID-19, or other infectious respiratory disease?
- Has your child been outside Canada in the last 14 days?
- Has your child been identified as a close contact of a confirmed case or outbreak?

If the answer is yes to any of these questions, you must keep your child at home, self-isolate, and seek care from a health-care provider.

Please see the checklist from the BC Centre for Disease Control. If you answered “YES” to any of the questions and the symptoms are not related to a pre-existing condition (e.g. allergies) your child should NOT come to school.

If they are experiencing any symptoms of illness, contact a health-care provider for further assessment. This includes 8-1-1, or a primary care provider like a physician or nurse practitioner.

If your child becomes ill while at school:

As per guidance from health authorities, any child exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms will be moved to a secluded space, such as a first-aid room, where they will be supervised and supported by staff until they are picked up by a parent/guardian. The student and staff will both be asked to wear masks while waiting for the parent/guardian.

Parents/guardians will be notified and advised to pick-up their child as soon as possible. Please ensure that the school has current contact information, including emergency contact information, to ensure timely pick-up. Also, please ensure that you are always accessible by phone during the school day if your child is attending school, and, be prepared to pick-up your child(ren).

To help maintain a healthy learning environment: staff, families and students are asked to practice good hand hygiene and respiratory etiquette (i.e. coughing and sneezing into your sleeve). Please review this with your child on a regular basis.

Anyone experiencing symptoms of illness should not return to school until they have been assessed by a health-care provider to exclude COVID-19 or other infectious diseases, their symptoms have resolved or they have been cleared by their physician.

You can find more information about BC Centre for Disease Control COVID-19 Public Health Guidance for K-12 School Settings here: http://www.bccdc.ca/Health-Info-Site/Documents/COVID_public_guidance/Guidance-k-12-schools.pdf

Thank you for doing your part to keep our school community safe.

Daily Health Check			
1. Symptoms of illness*	Does your child have any of the following symptoms?	CIRCLE ONE	
	Fever	YES	NO
	Chills	YES	NO
	Cough or worsening of chronic cough	YES	NO
	Shortness of breath	YES	NO
	Sore throat	YES	NO
	Runny nose / stuffy nose	YES	NO
	Loss of sense of smell or taste	YES	NO
	Headache	YES	NO
	Fatigue	YES	NO
	Diarrhea	YES	NO
	Loss of appetite	YES	NO
	Nausea and vomiting	YES	NO
	Muscle aches	YES	NO
	Conjunctivitis (pink eye)	YES	NO
	Dizziness, confusion	YES	NO
	Abdominal pain	YES	NO
	Skin rashes or discoloration of fingers or toes	YES	NO
2. International Travel	Have you or anyone in your household returned from travel outside Canada in the last 14 days?	YES	NO
3. Confirmed Contact	Are you or is anyone in your household a confirmed contact of a person confirmed to have COVID-19?	YES	NO

*Check BCCDC's [Symptoms of COVID-19](#) regularly to ensure the list is up to date.

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