

Dear Parents, Students and Families,

I hope this email finds you in good health and as well as can be. We have missed you dearly over the past many weeks as we have worked on flattening the curve of COVID-19. Your support, understanding and patience has been greatly appreciated.

As many of you have heard from both the BC Government and from our Superintendent, Dr. Jordan Tinney on Friday, schools will be opening on June 1st (see attachment for more details). Students have the option of returning to school for part of the week and/or continuing with their remote learning. This decision is up to individual families and please do whatever is best for your family. We look forward to providing you with more information and details at the end of this week on Friday, May 22nd.

Attached, please find the link to Dr. Jordan Tinney's **May 15, 2020: Week 8 Message to Surrey Schools Parents, Students & Staff**. As well, please find a second attachment of a social story you can share with your family called **Returning to School During COVID-19**.

<https://www.surreyschools.ca/covid19>

<https://www.socialstories4kids.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/Returning-To-School-During-COVID-19.pdf>

Thank you again to our Ellendale Community - we are very grateful for the wonderful families that you are.

Take care. Stay well. Be safe.

Kindest Regards,

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