

## LATIMER ROAD ELEMENTARY

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Dear Parents,

I hope this letter finds you well and you are enjoying time with your families this summer. I am mindful that there are many questions and concerns surrounding the upcoming school year and I can appreciate how stressful this must be during these very uncertain times.

The current Ministry guidelines have the students returning to full class instruction in September and we are all looking forward to welcoming your children back. Having said that, the Ministry, the District and here at Latimer we acknowledge that there is a strong need to explore other options in addition to a full return. As a result, we are attaching a **link to a very important survey from the District** that will help guide the planning moving forward.

When the teachers return the first week, we will discuss and revamp the class organizations that we had set up tentatively in June to include the new concept of cohorts. As Jordan said in his video message, final plans won't be able to be set until we see which students will be officially returning. As always, the health and safety of our students, staff and families will be at the forefront of our decision making to ensure the best organization of educationally sound and well-balanced cohorts. Please know that all our plans are made under the direction of Dr. Bonny Henry and in conjunction with the District, the BC Centre for Disease Control and the Ministry in order to ensure the safety of everyone.

Please help us in our planning by taking a few minutes to fill out this survey. We will need a response from **all** of our families in order to create our learning groups. If we **do not** get a response through this survey we will be contacting those families beginning the week of August 31<sup>st</sup>.

Once again, we truly appreciate the partnership with our Latimer community. Take care and enjoy the rest of your summer.

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Sincerely,

Susan Yip Acting Principal