

Cameron Street Families,

February 4, 2021

We are excited to welcome back students to in-person learning on Monday February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021. There is some important information for us to share prior to students returning. Please read the following information carefully.

### **Masking:**

**All children kindergarten through grade 8 will be required to wear a mask each day.** Masks will be required both indoors and outdoors and students are expected to arrive at school with their mask already on. We recommend that you send at least 2 masks each day for your child (an indoor and outdoor mask) clearly labeled with their name. Masks should be taken home and washed in between uses. The school has a limited number of masks to provide to students who do not have a mask or have forgotten one at home.

### **Student Screening:**

**Students, (with parent support) are required to complete the Covid School Screening Tool every day prior to coming to school.** If a child presents with any COVID-19 symptoms while at school, they will be removed from the classroom and supervised by administration in our isolation area. Parents will be contacted and asked to pick up their child immediately. Please make sure you have a back-up plan if you are not always available to pick up your child.

<https://covid-19.ontario.ca/school-screening/context>

### **Drop Off and Pick Up:**

When dropping off and picking up your child, we continue to ask that you “drop and go”. Parents will not be allowed to enter the school yard. Families are encouraged not to congregate or interact with other families. **We also ask that you always follow public health measures and wear a mask when dropping off or picking up your child.** There is supervision on the yard starting at 8:40 but we encourage families to arrive as close to 8:50 as possible. Students will be entering the building at 8:55 from multiple entry locations and meeting zones. These will remain the same as they were prior to winter break.

As always, we encourage students to bike, scooter, skateboard or walk to school whenever possible. Bike racks are available in the yard and are spaced apart to promote physical distancing. If you must drive to school, please consider parking off site on one of the side streets and then walk to school with your child to drop and go at the yard.

Principal: **Troy Comish**  
Vice-Principal: Jennifer Case

### **Returning Technology:**

If your child borrowed technology (a Chromebook or an internet hub) we ask that you ***please return it with your child at drop off on Monday morning***. Students from grade 3-8 can carry their technology in their backpack or a separate bag and return it to their classroom teacher once in the school. All other students (and parents) are asked to drop their technology off at the front of the school on the table provided. Please be sure you return all items including charging cables and have them clearly labelled with your child's name. If your child attends before and after programming, please drop off your child's technology with the staff at the child care and we will collect it from there.

### **Bus Students:**

Bus students will disembark from buses and then make their way to their class meeting location/zone by entering the school through the West doors or along the sidewalk if time permits with the support from staff.

### **Cohorting and Breaks:**

Each class, will be cohorted, meaning they are to remain with that group of students during instructional time and both nutrition and recess breaks. Students will eat in their classrooms and have staggered recess breaks. Classes will not be permitted to interact with other classes while out at recess.

### **Outside Learning is Rain or Shine:**

We are going to be including a lot of outdoor time into our day. Please make sure your child has good rain and winter gear (boots, coats and splash pants etc.) for rainy and snowy days as we will be going outside unless there is thunder or lightning.

### **Lunches and Drinks:**

We will have limited garbage and recycling opportunities for students, so we strongly suggest you pack boomerang lunches. In a boomerang lunch, all garbage and recycling from your child's lunch comes back home. This will eliminate the need for students to be moving about during nutrition breaks, touching receptacles and depositing the contents of those receptacles into the school collection bins. Students will not be permitted to leave school property during either nutrition break.

Please pack food in containers that your child can open independently to reduce the amount of touching by staff. Students will not be permitted to use water fountains but are encouraged to bring reusable water bottles to fill at our 'touchless fill stations'.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out to your child's teacher or to the office staff here at Cameron.

We can't wait to see your children on Monday!

Mr. Comish and Ms. Case