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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Thank you for your support and positivity during our first week back!

The Ministry of Education and the BC Centre for Disease Control updated their <u>guidance on K-12 School</u> <u>Settings</u> and the <u>COVID-19 Operational Guidelines for School Districts and Independent School</u> <u>Authorities</u> on Friday September 11, 2020. Therefore, Notre Dame's COVID-19 Return to School Protocols: Stage 2 was updated this weekend. Please see the attached document of Notre Dame's protocols with these updates. The new additions and/or word changes are highlighted in blue this time to help make it easier to locate.

One major change I would like to point out is an adjustment in their Daily Health Check, which parents / guardians are required to complete before students arrive at school. The revised Daily Health Check has been attached to this email.

Another major change is that the BC CDC is now not requiring schools to request a doctor's note to confirm the health of an individual (student or staff member). Thank you to those parents who did secure doctor's notes for pre-existing allergies prior to this change.

Key symptoms to watch for include:

- Fever
- Chills
- Cough
- Shortness of Breath
- Loss of sense of smell or taste
- Vomiting
- Diarrhea

If symptoms include a fever or if after 24 hours symptoms remain unchanged or have become worse, the recommendation is to seek a health assessment by calling 8-1-1, speaking with a physician or nurse practitioner, or going to a COVID-19 testing centre. Please review the Daily Health Check Example from Appendix C, attached to this letter.

Thank you for working with Notre Dame School to keep our community safe. Please feel free to email or call if you have any questions.

Your Partner in Education,

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