

LET'S TALK ABOUT.... BACK TO SCHOOL

With school opening just around the corner, we are excited to welcome our staff and students back in our buildings once again! Although returning to class will look slightly different than years past, by preparing children ahead of time we can help reduce fears associated to these changes.

MASK WEARING

Masks are required for all students grades 4-12, staff and all visitors. If a student or visitor arrives at school without a mask, a disposable mask will be provided for them. Students from Kindergarten - grade 3 are welcome to wear masks if they would like to!



DAILY HEALTH CHECKS & STAYING **HOME WHEN SYMPTOMATIC**

Teach your child about the Daily Screening Questionnaire, explain the importance of being honest about how they are feeling before they go to school and telling an adult if they are not feeling well at home or at school.

NEW ROUTINES AT SCHOOL



Washing and sanitizing hands more often



Being mindful of physical distancing and sharing objects with others



Staff and students wearing masks in common spaces

RIDING THE SCHOOL BUS

- Children will be assigned a seat to avoid unnecessary contact between students
- Hand sanitizer will be provided for all students as they board the school bus
- Masks are required for all students riding the bus.
- If a student arrives without a mask, a disposable one will be provided.





Each school building will notice additional custodial staff on site to help keep schools as clean as possible. High touch points, bathrooms, and common areas will be cleaned regularly throughout the school day.

DEVELOPING NEW ROUTINES AT HOME

- Develop new daily routines. For example, pack necessary items such as hand sanitizer, hand lotion, and an additional back up mask etc. the night before.
- Talk about things children can do when they return home from school such as washing hands immediately and putting used masks in a special area.
- Practicing and modelling healthy behaviours at home

