

Promontory parents,

We hope you and your family are well, and we are getting excited about seeing “our” kids arrive next week. In case you missed the most recent letter of August 26th, you may access it on our web site by clicking [here](#). There is additional information on our web site that you may find useful, and we add more to the web site regularly. You may also wish to follow the PAC Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/Promontory-Heights-Community-Elementary-School-PAC-118827298228645>, where you will be updated on important school news and events (such as PAC meetings). The first PAC meeting of the year is planned for September 21st at 7:00pm, and you can join in virtually on ZOOM (details to come).

While we are getting ready for a safe return to school, some of you may be struggling with having your child return. I think you will find that the precautions we are taking will make everyone feel as safe as possible, and we are willing to work with parents to ensure they remain a part of Promontory Elementary for the long term. If your child has specific medical issues and your doctor is suggesting that your child should not attend, we can work with you to determine the best solution. The various options may be found in the “[Stage 2 Restart K-12 Options](#)” document, which is located on the school and district web sites. However, if you have determined that your child will not be in attendance for any period of time, please contact the office to discuss your plans. We are happy to work with you on this, but we would like to know how many students to expect.

School staff will be spending Tuesday and Wednesday next week working on our safety protocols and class lists. A partial list of our planned protocols is attached. You can expect to hear from a classroom teacher by Wednesday, so please check your email inbox (and junk mailbox, just in case!). They will be telling you where your child can meet them on the first day of school Thursday, and whether they are in Group 1 (early start at 8:20am) or Group 2 (late start at 8:30am). When you come to school, we strongly urge you to walk if it is possible. This will help avoid traffic congestion. Also, the drop off lanes are not parking spots, and we ask you not to leave your vehicle there, as it creates problems.

On Thursday, September 10th, students will be in attendance either 8:20-10:10am or 8:30-10:20am. The first full day will be on Friday, September 11th. On a regular school day, Group 1 will be escorted into the school from their outside line-up location at 8:20am, will have breaks at 9:45am and 11:45am, and will be dismissed at 2:10pm. Group 2 will be escorted into the school at 8:30am, will have breaks at 10:25am and 12:25pm, and will be dismissed at 2:20pm.

Kindergarten families should have received a separate letter by email today with detailed information on Gradual Entry. They will receive additional information from a Kindergarten classroom teacher.

School supplies have been bulk ordered for all grades, and they will be handed out to students as needed. Parents simply need to provide the payment for these supplies. The information can be found on our school web site at <https://promontory.sd33.bc.ca/school-supplies> .

We typically host a “Meet the Teacher Night” in September. For obvious reasons, this will not happen in a typical way. Instead, you can expect to connect with your child’s teacher in a different way, and we will keep you posted on any alternate plans.

The long weekend is approaching, and the weather looks perfect. We hope you and your family can enjoy the outdoors and some time together in the sunshine.

