



LOCH LOMOND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Good Afternoon:

This is Greg Norton calling, I hope you and your family have had a safe and enjoyable holiday break. Here are a few updates regarding upcoming events at Loch Lomond School for Monday, January 11th – Friday, January 15th.

Our move to the Orange alert level requires enhanced safety measures for our staff and students and our school Operational Plans outline very specific ways we are working to prevent the spread of COVID-19 at Loch Lomond School. Our Operational Plan can be found on the school website. The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development has created a document, [this document](#), with Public Health, outlining the updated safety protocols, which include increased mask use at all grade levels and limiting of certain activities. Extra-curricular music activities, such as choir, band, and field trips, are not permitted at this time. Please take the time to review this document for full details.

As a reminder, during the Orange phase, students from K-12 are required to wear a mask on the bus. Students K-8 must wear masks at all times in school unless eating, sitting quietly at their desk or during physical education class. Students in grades 9-12 must wear a mask at all times in school except when eating or during physical education class. This includes outside, for all grades.

We ask all families to continue reminding students about the importance of hand washing/sanitizing; practicing good cough/sneeze etiquette; physical distancing; bringing 2 clean face masks each day; and monitoring for symptoms. If you have symptoms, you can visit [this site](#) to do a self-assessment and book a COVID-19 test.

Thank you for your understanding as we work together to follow the safety guidelines provided to us by Public Health and EECD. We understand that some families and students may feel anxious to return to school during the Orange phase. Please know that our staff and students have been doing an exceptional job adhering to safety procedures and we thank them, as well as you for your support, in maintaining protective measures in our school and on our buses.

With winter weather firmly making its grip, parents and caregivers are reminded to dress students warmly and appropriately during the cold weather. Parents/caregivers are also encouraged to ensure their contact information is updated with the school administrative office, if a student is dismissed from school early, or in case of emergency.

Wednesday, Jan. 13th our students and staff will participate in a routine practice fire drill. As part of our school comprehensive safety plan, we participate in six practice fire drills every school year. At home, you can protect yourself and your family by preparing and practicing a home fire escape plan. It only takes a few minutes of time – but it can prevent panic in case of fire: For more information visit the following link: https://www2.gnb.ca/content/dam/gnb/Departments/ps-sp/pdf/Safety_Protection/Fire-Feu/FireEscapePlanning.pdf

Saturday, Jan. 16th you can help support Loch Lomond School! We are hosting a bottle drive school fundraiser on Saturday, January 16th from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Your empties are full of opportunity, and you can return your empty bottles and help support your community school! Thank you for your anticipated participation at this drive-thru fundraising event!

Welcome Back & Happy New Year!

Greg Norton,
Principal

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