

Dear Parents;

I hope you are all enjoying a wonderful summer. We have been busy preparing for the start of the 2020-2021 school year and I wish to provide you with an update. Further to the announcement yesterday from the Premier of Ontario and the Minister of Education, I feel that Bayview Glen's School Re-Opening Plan not only meets but exceeds the guidelines proposed.

This is an overview of the plans in place at Bayview Glen:

- *Preschool*: our Preschool will reopen for a full day, 5-day week programme in September.
- *Lower School (JK to Grade 5)*: our Lower School will also reopen as planned for a full day, 5-day week on-campus programme in September. Class sizes have been reduced to allow for cohorting of students, physical distancing and revised timetables to limit the need to move to and from different classrooms. Additional faculty have been hired to accommodate for the additional classrooms.
- Our *Grade Six* students will also follow a similar approach with on-site daily attendance. Given their age they cannot be left alone without supervision and we feel this is the plan that best suits their needs.
- *Prep & Upper School (Grade 7 to Grade 12)*: Our Hybrid model will provide a safe environment that permits cohorting, reduced numbers on campus, and the physical distancing necessary for safety at this level.

Detailed Back to School information will be mailed shortly and you should expect to receive it within the next week. You will note that the only change in this document is the mandatory requirement for facemasks for Grades 4 through 12.

Face masks will be optional for the JK to Grade 3 students in the classroom, but they will be required whenever students are outside of the classroom or when physical distancing is not possible.

We are committed to the safety and well-being of all our community members and therefore we are staying on course with our plan of a careful phased-in return to school with reduced numbers overall. We will monitor the situation and should the predicted second wave not materialize as expected then we will look at bringing all our students back on campus full-time.

Please remember that parents have the option to request a fully on-line delivery of instruction if, for any reason, they are uncomfortable with their child(ren)'s on campus attendance.

An electronic copy of the School Re-Opening Plan will be available on the School's website, including links to additional important information. You will need to access this document on-line to complete and submit the mandatory **Commitment to Daily Screening** form prior to the start of the school year.

Once you receive your package do not hesitate to call us if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Eileen Daunt
Head of School