

October 22, 2020

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I would like to draw your attention and encourage your participation in three initiatives directly related to the North Vancouver School District September restart.

### **Q&A with Dr. John Harding, Medical Health Officer, Vancouver Coastal Health**

In early September, we held a [back-to-school town hall](#) with Dr. Mark Lysyshyn, Deputy Chief Medical Health Officer of Vancouver Coastal Health. It was an opportunity for our community to have their health-related questions about the school restart answered.

We are now planning a follow-up to that event. Superintendent Chris Kennedy of the West Vancouver School District and I will be hosting a Q&A session with Dr. John Harding, Vancouver Coastal Health's new Medical Health Officer for the North Shore. The session will be recorded next week and shared with families and staff.

We appreciate that since the start of school, new questions have emerged. If you have questions you would like Dr. John Harding to answer, please send those questions to [askNVSD@sd44.ca](mailto:askNVSD@sd44.ca) no later than 11:59 pm Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup>. We will do our very best to have as many of your questions answered.

### **REMINDER: NVSD Fall 2020 Survey**

We have had a strong response to our survey to date – thank you to those who have already participated and shared your feedback and experiences with respect to the 2020/2021 school restart.

For those who have not yet had a chance to [complete the survey](#), you still have time. The survey will be available until 11:59 pm on Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup> and only takes 4 to 5 minutes to complete. All answers are strictly confidential.

### **Save the Date: Upcoming Board of Education Standing Committee Meeting**



Please plan on joining us on Tuesday, November 3rd at 7:00 pm, for a virtual presentation during the Board of Education's Standing Committee Meeting. The Standing Committee Meeting will start with a presentation from North Shore Restorative Justice (NSRJ) who will provide an overview of how NSRJ works to support the North Vancouver School District through its social-emotional learning opportunities and initiatives for children and youth. The meeting will continue with an update on the NVSD's COVID-19 response, including detailing COVID-19 related investments the District has made with the provincial and federal government funding. A link to the presentation will be available [HERE](#).

I hope you are able to use one or all of these opportunities to engage with us, so that we continue to learn together for the benefit of our students, staff and the wider North Vancouver School District community.

With appreciation,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Pearmain".

Mark Pearmain  
Superintendent of Schools

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