

PLEASE remember ... Wear a mask and physically distance ... we are all in this together.



Principal's Bulletin #26

February 26th, 2021

The final bulletin of February!

This week has brought some good news, but as always some cautions. The warnings continue to centre on variants, and concerns around social events. The majority of the recently identified cases on the North Shore were traced to a small number of birthday parties and social gatherings. Maintaining our focus is so important as we continue to try to keep our schools safe. Our Seycove community has done an admirable job, but a virus only needs someone to make one mistake to gain a foothold. Thank you for your continued vigilance.

I am particularly proud of how our all of our students have continued to exhibit such an amazing level of patience, optimism, and adaptability, as we constantly work at finding new and creative ways to accomplish what was once very ordinary. They are a truly amazing group of young adults.

As always, this week's information items and expectations surrounding COVID protocols in school are included below. Don't hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Please be safe

Rob McLeod
Principal

Note: You can click on the Seycove Logo above to go to the Seycove Website

● Previous Bulletins:

All previously posted Principal's bulletins and communications can be found [HERE](#).

● Most Recent updates to the Prov COVID_19 Health & Safety Guide for K-12.

Please click the link below. **Note:** Revised sections are highlighted in yellow.

[Provincial COVID-19 Health & Safety Guidelines for K-12 – Updated Feb 23, 2021](#)

From the Ministry of Education: Based on feedback from the K-12 Education Steering Committee, the Provincial COVID-19 Health & Safety Guidelines for K-12 Settings have been enhanced to clarify requirements related to masks, physical activities, and off-campus settings. Changes have been highlighted. The BCCDC guidelines have not changed.

- **Calendar Highlights** *(updated)*

- March 4th ... Hybrid Switch
- Week of March 8th ... Interims
- March 13 ... [School closed for March Break](#)
- March 29 ... Classes resume
- April 2nd ... Good Friday
- April 5th ... Easter Monday
- Week of April 12 ... Literacy 10 Assessment
- April 19th ... END OF QUARTER 3

- **IMPORTANT REMINDER re: Yearbooks** *(NEW)*

The final day for Yearbook sales is **Sunday Feb 28th**. Please order them via school cash online. We currently have 40 grade 12 that have not yet placed an order. There will be a very limited number of copies available for last minute purchase.

- **Provincial Student Learning Survey 2020/2021** *(reposted)*

I emailed an introductory letter home last week about the provincial *Student Learning Survey* (SLS). The SLS is unique in its scope, size and usefulness to schools. It gathers information from parents/guardians/caregivers, teachers and students on topics related to school environment, safety, and achievement. The information is used for planning in individual schools and provides a district and provincial perspective.

In the next 2 months, the *Student Learning Survey* will be administered to students, their parents/guardians/caregivers, and all school staff. We encourage parents/guardians/caregivers to participate in this survey, as the results are important in identifying and celebrating current strengths, as well as determining where the school needs to focus improvement. The surveys contain standard questions for the Province – in addition, questions from the school and/or district that focus on local conditions or issues may be included.

The survey can be completed electronically and can be accessed on the Internet at http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat_survey. Any computer with an Internet connection can be used, and access to the e-survey is simple and secure. The survey can be accessed through the link with or without an anonymous logon code by selecting the school district and school name where your child attends school. Provincial, District and School Reports for previous years can be viewed at the same site under the *Results* section.

The e-survey site will be open until April 30th. If you have any questions, please contact the school at 604-903-3666.

- **COVID PROTOCOL REMINDERS**

- [Daily Health Check](#) *(reposted)*

A **REMINDER** to complete your daily health check, instructions can be found [HERE](#). This can be put on the homescreen of your phone/device as a shortcut for easier access.

- [Student entrance/exit of the building:](#) *(reposted)*

Students are reminded that they are to be entering and exiting the school by the door closest to their classroom. It is been particularly bad at the end of class, and the hallways are filling up. PLEASE help us by reminding them about proper protocols. This is going to require constant vigilance. Thanks so much for your support!

- **Visitors in the school** (*reposted from October*)

A reminder that There is limited / restricted access to our school site. If you are planning on coming to the school (including parent/guardians) we ask that you call ahead to the office to make appointments or arrangements.

The Front (Main) school entrance is designated for visitor entry and exit

Visitors must adhere to the following guidelines:

- Perform a health self-check prior to entry
- Sign in and out
- Practice hand hygiene immediately on arrival and prior to exiting
- Notify the office that they are waiting at the front.

- **Updated “Covid” resources:**

- Call **8-1-1** for health information
- Use the **Daily Health Check** before sending your child to school ([https://www.sd44.ca/COVID-19/dailyhealthcheck/Pages/default.aspx#/="](https://www.sd44.ca/COVID-19/dailyhealthcheck/Pages/default.aspx#/=))
- Visit the **BC Centre for Disease Control** website (<http://www.bccdc.ca/>)
- Visit the **Vancouver Coastal Health** website (www.vch.ca)
- Bookmark the **NVSD COVID-19 Resource web pages** (www.sd44.ca/COVID-19)
- Ministry of Education **BC’s Back To School Plan** – updated Nov 10, 2020 (previously dated Sept 24, 2020)
- **BCCDC Schools FAQ** web page – Sept 24, 2020
- **NVSD Back to School September 2020 FAQs** – NVSD **PUBLIC** webpage - updated on an on-going basis
- **NVSD Website COVID-19 Information** – NVSD **PUBLIC** webpage - Misc. resources including copies of Supt letters, updated on an on-going basis