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September 2, 2020

Dear Ecole Notre Dame School Families

It has been extraordinarily busy over the past few weeks, but I'm pleased to say that we now know how many cohorts we have AND how many students are in each cohort. Because safety is the number one priority across the province, we have taken measures to reduce the number of students in each classroom as follows:

- Grade 1 English - 20
- Grade 1 French - 21
- Grade 1 / 2 English - 20
- Grade 2 - English - 20
- Grade 2 French - 17
- Grade 3 English - 22
- Grade 3 / 4 French - 24
- Grade 4 English - 22
- Grade 4 / 5 English - 23
- Grade 4 / 5 French - 23
- Grade 5 English - 22
- Grade 6 English - 20
- Grade 6 English - 20

Our ECS program has the largest number of students, with 28 students in our English cohort, and 28 students in our French cohort. Staggered entry information specific to ECS will be sent to you this week, directly from the ECS teacher.

In order to facilitate having approximately half of our students entering on September 8th, and the other half on September 9th, and to also ensure that we have reduced numbers of students in our entrances (especially the younger ones who will be needing more guidance with physical distancing, etc.), the following cohort STAGGERED ENTRY COHORTS are as follows:

SEPTEMBER 8TH COHORTS	SEPTEMBER 9TH COHORTS
Grade 1 French Immersion Grade 1 English Grade 2 English Grade 2 French Grade 3 English Grade 4 / 5 French Immersion	Grade 1 / 2 English Grade 3 / 4 French Grade 4 English Grade 4 / 5 English Grade 5 English Grade 6 English (both cohorts)

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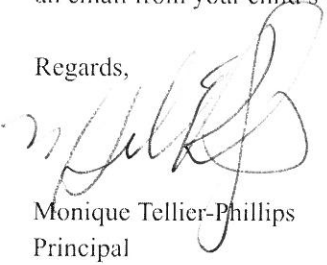
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I would like to reiterate the information that was shared with families by the division, that if you chose online learning for your child on August 30th, re-entry into in-person learning will **not be permitted until November 16th**. The division will re-survey parents on October 15th. This will allow them the time they need to redeploy staff across the division from online learning to in-school, and/or vice versa.

As I stated in my previous message, your child's teacher will be contacting you directly with specific details about the first day, by the end of the week. You can expect to receive an email from your child's teacher ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4th.

Regards,



Monique Tellier-Phillips
Principal