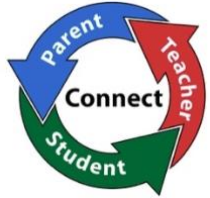




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**October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021**



**LEARNING CONFERENCES**

Parent/Teacher Conferences are scheduled for October 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>. These conferences are a great opportunity to connect with the school and discuss your child's learning. *This year our*

*conferences will be completed in person and online.* Teachers will be sending information home to schedule conference times. **Please note that these two dates are Early Dismissal Days with 1:45 pm dismissal times to accommodate the conferences. Division 2 will be dismissed at 2:45 p.m. on October 21<sup>st</sup>, to accommodate their field trip.**



**COVID HEALTH & SAFETY:**

All families are encouraged to share and practice health and safety routines at home. At Woodward, we support all students to **wear masks and wash our hands frequently**. Please review our Mandatory Health and Safety Declaration every morning before coming to school. Please visit: <https://sd38.bc.ca/covid-19-updates> for more information.

**PARKING LOT SAFETY**

Please keep our students safe by using the drop off zone for picking up and dropping off students only. Please do not leave your car unattended in the drop off zone. When walking to school, please use the designated paths south and adjacent to the driveway as you enter the school grounds. Please follow arrows to keep our students safe and keep our parking lot accident free.



**PAC MEETINGS**

PAC are amazing resources for our entire school community. A strong PAC bonds our school community with our families. PAC is an excellent way for our families to connect directly with the action at our school as well as develop relationships within the parent community. Our next PAC meeting will be October 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. More info to come!



**OUTSIDE DAYS ONLY:**

During recess and lunchtime breaks, students are expected to always be outside this year. Students are strongly encouraged to dress appropriately for the weather. There is a large undercover area, but students should dress to ensure they are able to enjoy their breaks regardless of the weather. Playing outside will ensure our students get some fresh air and our classrooms can enjoy some extra attention.



**PRO-D DAY – OCT. 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Our teachers & staff will be joining educators throughout BC on our next professional development day, which is on Friday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>. Woodward will be closed.



**EMERGENCY DRILLS**

Frequently throughout the year our staff and students practice emergency drills.

These include fire, earthquake, and hold and secure drills. This year we will continue to practice these important, life-saving events while maintaining our current health and safety procedures. Students will be asked to wear masks, if possible, when evacuating the school. Cohorts will exit through their common doors and muster on the field while maintaining physical distancing. We encourage you to have conversations with your family about these events. **Our #ShakeOut earthquake drill will be on October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021.**

**LATE ENTRY & ABSENCES**

We understand that things happen in the morning that can derail your normal routines. If students are late in the morning, please knock on and wait at the main door. A member of our staff will greet the students and bring them to their class. All family members must remain outside. If you know your child will be away, please call the school office and leave a message at any time (604-668-6296). You can also email absences to [woodward@sd38.bc.ca](mailto:woodward@sd38.bc.ca). Informing the office will prevent unnecessary calls home. Thank you!



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| Oct. 20/21 | Learning Conferences (early dismissal) |
| Oct. 21    | ShakeOut BC (earthquake drill)         |
| Oct. 22    | Pro-D Day (school closed)              |
| Oct. 29    | Halloween Assembly                     |
| Oct. 29    | Hot Lunch (Pizza Day)                  |
| Nov. 10    | Remembrance Day Assembly               |
| Nov. 11    | Remembrance Day (school closed)        |
| Nov. 19    | Hot Lunch (Subway Day)                 |
| Nov. 22    | Pro-D Day (school closed)              |
| Dec. 20    | Winter Vacation                        |


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**Mandatory Daily Health Declaration Process for Staff and Students**

KEY SYMPTOMS OF ILLNESS	WHAT TO DO
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fever (above 38°C)</li> <li>• Chills</li> <li>• Cough</li> <li>• Difficulty Breathing</li> <li>• Loss of sense of smell or taste</li> </ul>	<p>If yes to 1 or more of these symptoms: Stay home and get a health assessment.</p> <p>Contact a health care provider or 8-1-1 about your symptoms and next steps.</p>
OTHER SYMPTOMS	WHAT TO DO
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sore throat</li> <li>• Loss of appetite</li> <li>• Headache</li> <li>• Body aches</li> <li>• Extreme fatigue or tiredness</li> <li>• Nausea and vomiting</li> <li>• Diarrhea</li> </ul>	<p>If yes to 1 symptom: Stay home until you feel better.</p> <p>If yes to 2 or more of these symptoms: Stay home for 24 hours.</p> <p>If symptoms don't get better or get worse, get a health assessment; contact a health care provider or 8-1-1 about your symptoms and next steps.</p>
INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL	WHAT TO DO
<p>Have you returned from travel outside Canada in the last 14 days?</p>	<p>If yes: The federal mandatory 14-day quarantine period remains in effect for unvaccinated individuals aged 12 years and older. <u>Anyone aged 12 years and older, who is not vaccinated, is required to self-quarantine for 14 days after arrival.</u></p> <p>The following individuals are EXEMPT from the 14-day quarantine period:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Fully vaccinated individuals (staff and students) qualify for exemption from the mandatory 14-day quarantine period and Day 8 testing requirement (though must still complete the pre-entry testing requirement and randomized arrival testing if required)</li> <li>2. Unvaccinated students under 12 who were accompanied by travellers who qualify for the fully vaccinated traveller exemption need to comply with instructions from Canadian Border Services.</li> </ol> <p>Individuals who have travelled outside of Canada in the last 14 days should refer to the following Government of Canada website for the most current information: <a href="https://travel.gc.ca/travel-covid">https://travel.gc.ca/travel-covid</a></p>
CLOSE CONTACT	WHAT TO DO
<p>Have you been contacted by public health and notified that you are a close contact of a person confirmed to have COVID-19?</p>	<p>If yes: Please follow the instructions provided by Public Health. You can call 8-1-1 anytime to get advice about how you are feeling and what to do next. Pay attention to how you are feeling. If it becomes harder to breathe, you can't drink anything or feel much worse, seek urgent medical care at an urgent care clinic or emergency department.</p>