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We hope this letter finds you well as you are processing the most recent COVID updates. We received information on November 24th regarding K-12 schools and our new mandatory measures. There have been many changes that you have gracefully adjusted to during the pandemic and this will be just one more for us.

Here is some important information for our school community:

- We ask that parents ensure that they are completing the [daily screening](#) of their children prior to sending them on the bus or dropping them off at the school.
- **Wearing masks** continues to be mandatory for all Gr 4-6 students at this time.
- Our schools will remain **open** during this time and our staff will be working from the school. Our office and staff are always available for any questions.
- Our support staff will continue at this time to support our students.
- **Pre Kindergarten - Grade 6** students will continue with in-school learning until December 18th. **(Please note Dec 18 - Jan 4th is Christmas break)** These students will move to teacher directed, at-home learning from January 4th till January 8th. On Monday, January 11th they will return to Scenario 1 which is face to face learning. Bussing will continue as is.
- **Our Grade 7 and 8** students will move to at-home online learning effective Monday November 30th until January 8th. **(Please note Dec 18 - Jan 4th is Christmas break)** They are then scheduled to return to Scenario 1 which is face to face in class learning.
- **Basketball:** Please note our basketball will be postponed until the week of January 11th where we will resume with Grade 7/8 Boys on Tues/Thurs, Grade 7/8 Girls and the Grade 6's Mon/Wed.
- **Exploratory classes** will continue as much as possible from Nov 30th-Jan 8th. Band will continue as it is a year long class

*Trust in the Lord with all your heart.  
Fais confiance au Seigneur de tout ton coeur.*

- **Class expectations:** Our Grade 7 and 8 students will be expected to be a part of their google classrooms and complete daily assignments/ learning activities as provided by the teachers. To be clear this might look different in each class with optional google meets, or requested attendance with small group work.

Again, we thank you for your support and for working alongside us at this uncertain time. The safety of our students and staff will continue to be a priority as we take our direction from the Alberta Government, the Chief Medical Officer, and our Superintendent.

As always, please do not hesitate to ask questions or reach out. Our school office will continue to be open for any phone calls and inquiries. We will continue to seek the guidance of God as we navigate these unprecedented times.

God Bless



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