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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome Back! We hope you've enjoyed a restful, safe, and fulfilling Christmas break, and we are excited to see your children as all students will be returning to face-to-face learning as of Monday, January 11th. There have been many changes that you have gracefully adjusted to during the pandemic, and we thank you for your recent participation in online learning.

Here are some important **reminders** for our school community, understanding that COVID restrictions are ever-changing, and we may need to make some adaptations:

- **Daily Screen:** 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:** This continues to be mandatory for all Gr 4-8 students at this time.
- **Cohorts:** Students will remain in their assigned classrooms for most of the day. Teachers will be the ones moving from classroom to classroom, sanitizing upon entry and exit of the classrooms.
- **Locker/Coat hooks:** We will still continue the practice with student lockers and coat hooks at this time.
- **Entrance/Exits:** When students arrive or leave, they will continue to use their designated entrance and exit doors. Students are still required to sanitize their hands when entering and exiting the building.
- **Basketball:** Please note our basketball is still prohibited under the restrictions, therefore we *hope* to resume the week of January 25th with Grade 7/8 Boys on Tues/Thurs, Grade 7/8 Girls and the Grade 6's Mon/Wed.

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. If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact the school at 403-845-2836.

God bless,

Teresa Johnson
Principal

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Vice-Principal