

Dear Families,

As you have been hearing, you now have the choice of sending your children back to school on a gradual and part-time basis beginning the week of June 1st. Please note this is entirely optional. At Cedar Grove we will not judge you for the choices you make for your family. As always, the choices you make as parents are 100% up to you and we support you.

Here at Cedar Grove we are fortunate to have an amazing team of educators who completely readjusted their professional practices after Spring Break. In the next week our team will be scaling back from the remote learning activities they have been providing as they are being asked to readjust again.

School will look different. Please refer to Superintendent Bocking's last email to families and note the specifics I have highlighted for you below:

- Classes will have up to half as many students
- Kindergarten to Grade five students will attend two days per week, older grades will attend one day per week – we will forward the schedule to you by May 29th
- Siblings will be scheduled at the same time
- We have safety procedures and protocols, which will be shared with students prior to coming in, that are in line with the ministry of education's health and safety guidelines for K-12 settings
- Parents and other adult visitors will not be permitted to enter the school
- Due to a large number of variables, we cannot guarantee who your child's classroom teacher will be for the month of June nor will we guarantee specific placements with friends
- Remote learning will continue, but will look quite different
- We will aim to provide fun and engaging learning at the Grove (we are hoping for a sunny June)

Filling out this survey will help us with our planning. Here is the link:

<https://sd46.bc.ca/families-and-students/covid-19-resources-support/> If we don't hear from your family by noon on Monday, May 25th, please expect a phone call from myself, Theresa, or Nina.

We know you have lots of questions about a return to school. As we get more information regarding scheduling and classroom instruction, we will be posting this information on our website and sending out emails. Our goal is to keep you up to date as plans are solidified.

Please don't hesitate to contact me should you need to. I am available at the school Monday through Friday and you can always email me too: ocowan@sd46.bc.ca

Air hugs,
Olwen Cowan
Principal