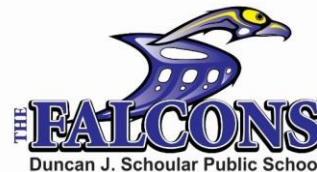


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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

January 21st, 2021

We are happy to be welcoming our students back to in-person learning on Monday, Jan. 25th. As this is the first time that most of our students will be returning to in-person learning since before the winter break, we wanted to remind you of some of our daily routines and practices, and some of the changes that you need to know before your child/children return to in-person learning.

- All students are required to continue with daily screening prior to coming to school. The provincial online screening tool is [here](#).
- **New: ALL students from Grade 1-Grade 8** at our school will be required to wear a mask/face covering inside the school and outside the school, during recesses and at arrival and dismissal times, when physical distancing isn't possible.
- Masks/face coverings are not required for our Kindergarten students, but we highly encourage them to wear them.
- School transportation will be operating for all eligible students in Kindergarten to Grade 8 beginning Jan. 25th.
- All students in Grades 1-8 must wear masks/face coverings and students in Kindergarten are highly encouraged to wear masks/face coverings on our school transportation.
- Hand sanitizing will be done each time students enter the school. We will be providing opportunities for students to wash their hands and sanitize throughout the day as well.
- Students need to have a refillable water bottle for their own use during the school day as the school's water fountains are not open.
- All students are asked to bring INDOOR running shoes to school that can be left here.
- Students who took learning materials/supplies home and/or had hard copies of work to complete, are asked to bring them to class on Monday, January 25th.
- Kindergarten students are asked to bring an extra set of clothes in a labelled baggy.
- Please limit the number of items that your child brings to school each day to the essential items only.

If your child was learning remotely **before the winter break** and would like to return to in-person learning, please contact Michelle McGrath, Office Administrator, 613-283-1367, e-mail michelle.mcgrath@ucdsb.on.ca.

Information for remote learners:

1. Synchronous learners: Classroom teachers will continue to provide synchronous learning each day through TEAMS for those doing synchronous learning.
2. Asynchronous digital learners: Digital resources will continue to be available on TEAMS for our students who have chosen digital asynchronous learning.
3. Asynchronous non-digital learners: Printed packages will continue to be provided for our non-digital remote learners. We have extended our drop off of completed packages to either Monday, January 25th or Tuesday, January 26th. New packages will be available to be picked up at that time.

If you have any questions, please contact the school.

Thank you,

Tracy Staples, Principal, Duncan J. Schoular Public School, 613-283-1367