

January 3, 2022

Dear Parents,

I hope you had a chance to rest and relax with your families over the Christmas break. I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all good health and happiness in the New Year. 2021 was not an easy year and let's hope that 2022 will be kinder to us. I am optimistic!

As I am sure you have heard in the news and read in emails that were sent from the school board, the school will be closed until January 17th and we will be moving online effective this Thursday. Tomorrow is a planning day and teachers will be using this time to plan, organize and schedule online lessons and conversations. Your child's teacher will be communicating with you by the end of the day tomorrow to send you a schedule of when these online lessons/conversations will take place. Some teachers will also be preparing packages that will be sent either digitally or you may be asked to come and pick them up at the school. We will set up a schedule for the retrieval of such items and let you know when this will occur.

IMPORTANT: Regarding daycare services: It is important to note that the school will be offering these services only to those parents whose work is considered "essential". To start, we will be prioritizing those children whose parents work in the healthcare system. We also ask that you use this service as a last resort, as we are limited as to the number of students we can accommodate due to shortages in staff. If you have no other option and you need this service, please contact Christine Ransom at ransomc@etsb.qc.ca by noon tomorrow (Wednesday) so that we can plan accordingly. Exceptionally, for the planning day tomorrow, we will accommodate all those who signed up for daycare services previously, as we had to committed to this and want to honor that commitment. **However, if you will not be sending your child, please notify Christine Ransom immediately** so that she can offer your child's spot to another who may need it.

Thank you for your patience. We know that this move to online learning is creating a lot of stress and inconvenience for you all. We will do our best to work together and make the best of a difficult situation.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have questions or concerns.

Kind Regards,

Dawn Irving
Principal

