



Ensemble on peut tout faire!

ÉCOLE JOHN STUBBS MEMORIAL SCHOOL

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Hello John Stubbs Middle School Families,

We hope that this email finds you and your family well. This week we are in the process of preparing for the opportunity for our students to come to school on a voluntary, part time basis. It is important for families to know what this new normal for June will look like when making your decision for your child to return.

Registration – If you have not yet registered to have your student voluntarily return June 1st week, please contact our secretary, Kate Coles, by email at kcoles@sd62.bc.ca. Health and Safety protocols created at the district level and adapted for each school site are in place to keep students and staff as safe as possible. **Your child must be registered to attend** because we need to plan in advance to ensure we have space and teaching staff to meet the regulations. We CANNOT accept students on a drop-in basis.

Continuity of Learning at school is offered on the following days and will follow regular school hours of 8:45 to 2:50:

Grade 6 – Monday

Grade 7- Wednesday

Grade 8 – Friday

Students must arrive as close to **8:40 a.m.** as possible and leave at the end of the day at **2:50**. There will be no clubs or sports teams or extra support after 2:50. This is to allow for **enhanced cleaning** by our custodial staff at the end of each day.

What to expect should you decide to send your child to École John Stubbs on their assigned day: School will not look like what it did. Students can expect support with their continuity of learning plan that they have been working on with their teacher(s). Please be aware, in some cases, students **may not** be with their regular classroom teacher to meet guidelines set out by the government. Teachers will inform students which personal supplies to bring and take home each day.

When Middle School students arrive, they will line up outside the main doors of the school keeping 2m between them. Once a student enters through the main door they must wash their hands at the bathroom closest to their classroom, waiting in-line outside the bathroom to ensure only two students at a time are using it. The student will then go directly to their assigned classroom. Please review physical distancing protocols with your child before arriving.

If a student is ill, with any common cold, influenza or COVID-19 like symptoms, **parents/guardians must keep their child at home until they have been assessed by a health care provider** to exclude COVID-19 or other infectious diseases, AND their symptoms have resolved.

If you are unsure of your student's status or if they have symptoms contact 811 for guidance.

The classroom will look very different with desk/space for only 5 or 6 students. Teachers and EAs will provide support to their existing Continuity of Learning at school. New or enhanced lessons are not planned for the one day per week your child will be attending.

Recess and lunch will also look different. The playground equipment IS NOT available and as per COVID-19 Protocols, students will NOT be able to play with sports equipment apart from soccer balls or other playground equipment while at school. Students should expect staggered breaks and will be supervised by lunch supervisors and other staff during these times. The number of students on break at any one time will be limited.

Highlights:

- ***The content remains the same should a child return to school one day per week or continue learning at home.***
- Bring back any school-borrowed chromebooks. Please put your child's first and last name on it so that we can update our records.
- Voluntary part-time in-class instruction is on Monday for grade 6, Wednesday for grade 7 or Friday for grade 8. Remote learning will continue for at-home learners on the other days of the week.
- The content remains the same should a child return to school or continue learning at home. In-class time is support to remote learning.
- Students may not be with their homeroom teacher.

- We must know in advance if your child is coming to school. We cannot accept students without prior arrangement.
- Due to safety concerns parents will not be able to enter the school or classrooms. Please talk to your child about this in advance.
- If your child is sick with cold/flu like symptoms they must stay home.
- If your child becomes sick at school, they will be isolated and you will be contacted for immediate pick up. They cannot return until their symptoms are gone and they have a doctor's note.
- Classrooms will be different than usual.
- There will not be shared supplies or materials.
- Students will line up outside the main door using line up markers set up.
- Students and staff will wash their hands every time they enter and exit the classroom.
- Permission to use washrooms will be in effect. One student at a time. Washrooms will be cleaned three times per day
- No personal items can be brought to school. Phones need to be out of sight and turned off.
- Students will be physically distanced in class to help ensure no physical contact.
- All food needs to be brought in and out each day including the garbage. Please make sure your child can open all containers.
- Personal water bottles only. Water fountains are closed.
- We will go outside for learning activities as much as possible! Please be prepared for the weather.

If your child is going to start or stop coming to school please let the office know, contact Kate Coles at 250-478-5571 or kcoles@sd62.bc.ca asap, so we can be prepared.

Thank you for taking the time to read these points. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at sszalipszki@sd62.bc.ca or jgibson@sd62.bc.ca or 250-478-5571.

Sincerely yours,

Sandra Szalipszki
Principal