

September 24, 2020

Dear Parents:

How very excited we are to welcome a number of our Kindergarten friends back to campus next Tuesday, September 29, 2020! Outlined below are some specifics relative to 'day one'. Please take a moment to review this information and be in touch if you have additional questions.

As a reminder, virtual learning has been suspended for Kindergarten students, effective this afternoon, and will resume for students learning at home, in a modified form, when other children return to campus on Tuesday.

In advance, I thank you for your patience and your flexibility.

Scott

#### Arrival and Dismissal

- Kindergarten students should arrive between 8:15AM and 8:45AM. Families will be directed into the drop-off lane near the dismissal doors at the circle and should remain in their car **wearing masks** until a staff member records your child's temperature and completes a health questionnaire. Families who arrive after 8:45AM, should park and come to the front entrance for the student to be screened and admitted.
- Following the health check, students will exit their cars, and wait for a staff person to direct them to the sidewalk and their room. Parents or caregivers may not walk children to class.
- Children will enter the building either via the exterior classroom doors or the main entrance depending on their homeroom assignment.
- For the next several weeks, dismissal will begin at 2:30PM. We hope to extend the day as we master the rhythm of our new routines. As above, Kindergarten families will be directed to the pick-up lane at the dismissal doors near the circle by the officer on duty. School staff will call each classroom and children will be supervised on their walk to the car where either a parent or a caregiver will buckle them in. At both arrival and dismissal, please remain in the queue, exiting only after the car ahead of you has done so. Also, please remember to turn your car's engine off while waiting.
- **Once you receive your name placard, please display it prominently on your visor at both arrival and dismissal.**

#### Lunch and Snacks

- Kindergarten children must bring a nonperishable snack and lunch every day, including a drink, napkin and any required utensils. The school does not have a microwave for student use. **Snacks and lunch must be in easily opened containers that will not require the assistance of an adult.**

- No materials, other than lunch, water bottles, snacks, masks and clothing to be worn for outside play can be brought into the building. Students' personal items will be placed in plastic containers by the student and then placed into cubbies and/or on shelves. All student water bottles are maintained at a safe distance from the sink areas to avoid contamination.
- Students should not bring iPods, cell phones, non-PDS iPads or other electronic devices to school without the permission of the Head of School.

#### Additional Notes

- Beginning Tuesday, October 13, 2020, please do not arrive early for arrival as we will not be able to accommodate you as grades one and two, and those families with siblings, will be arriving until 8:15 AM.
- Parents of students being dismissed early should notify the school the morning of or the day before via the carpool email, [carpool@theprimarydayschool.org](mailto:carpool@theprimarydayschool.org), with a copy to the homeroom teacher. Park and come to the front entrance. A staff member will bring your child to you.
- No parking will be allowed on campus during scheduled arrival and dismissal times except in the case of an emergency.
- Our School Directory will be sent home with your child on their first day on campus, unless it was already received via a sibling.