

August 18, 2020

Dear Friends:

And the sun is shining! In these uncertain days, we must be inspired by the simplest of things – a clear morning, rabbits in the garden or a walk in the rain. Small moments like these sustain me still, as they have over and over again, when circumstances challenge the status quo.

Confronted as we are with a global pandemic impacting every corner of our lives, including here at Primary Day, as a community, we continue to respond with resilience, patience and with our ‘best selves’ at the fore. In just two weeks we will begin a new school year together, one that defies the status quo in every way, yet together, I know that our collective successes will be many indeed.

As planned, our website has been updated in two major areas; our Campus Re-Entry plan, located on the Home page (link) and a new page outlining our robust Virtual Learning program (link). These additions represent months of work by multiple, cross-constituent committees and I have every confidence that as organic, living documents they will serve us well. In the notes below, I have outlined some additional information that you may find helpful as we prepare to begin our new academic year.

- Cohort assignments: All children will receive a post-card from *Beako* with their teacher assignment later this week. Lists of classmates will be available in our Handbook/Directory which will be published in early September.
- On-campus “meet and greet” opportunities for children in **Kindergarten-Grade Two** have been scheduled for Thursday, August 27, 2020 and Friday, August, 28, 2020. These are optional events, will be conducted in small groups with social-distancing and safety precautions in place and will provide all children with a wonderful chance to meet their teachers in person prior to the start of a year. During this visit to campus, all students will be provided with an individual *Learning Crate* filled with supplies and materials to support off-campus instruction. Specific times/groups will be emailed to all families on Friday, August 21st.
- **Pre-Kindergarten** “meet and greet” and additional specifics relative to opening days for our youngest students will be sent to all families next week once cohorts have been solidified.
- The next series of our community ‘town halls’ have been rescheduled to Wednesday, September 9, 2020, with invite information to be sent under separate cover. Although these conversations were tentatively scheduled for next week, we thought it best to wait until after the start of the year, as additional or different questions may surface.

I bid you a wonderful week.



Warmly,