



St. Francis Xavier School's Re-Entry Plan

Principal's Message

As the 2020-2021 school year is set to begin, the staff of St. Francis Xavier School is excited to welcome students back into the building. We hope that your summer was relaxing and fun. Preparing for this return has been a collaborative effort between the government, MHCBE, and the school. Though things will look different, the core commitment of building a Gospel-centered community of learning excellence while living our Catholic faith and *showing the Face of Christ to all* has not. We are committed to your kids and to their safety. We are committed to creating a positive learning environment where all students can learn, grow in faith, feel safe, and be valued as individuals.

A detailed re-entry plan can be found on the school website, and we hope that you take the time to review it. However, this is what you'll need to know for the first day. ~ Mrs. Van Ham

What happens on the first day?



- Teachers and other staff will be outside at the beginning of the school day to welcome their class cohorts in their designated area (see page 7 of the re-entry doc for details). This will continue until routines are established.
- Parents are welcome to come and meet the teachers and walk the students to their outdoor area, but are asked to wear a mask on school property.
- Students in grades 4-6 are required to wear masks as they join their cohorts, while students in grades 1-3 are encouraged to do so.
- In order to limit the opportunity for the transmission of COVID-19 and keep our students and staff safe, we will be limiting access to the school building for the 2020-2021 school year and all doors will be locked throughout the day. Staff will lead children to and from their classes.



What happens on the first day? Cont.

- Upon entering the building, students will need to wash their hands or use hand sanitizer. Those in grades 4-6 will keep their masks on throughout this transition time.
- At the end of the day students will be led out the same doors they entered in the morning. Teachers will then lead students to the front of the building for pick-up.
- All entrances and exits will be staggered to avoid crowded hallways and outdoor areas, but all drop-off and pick-up times remain the same .
- Please practice physical distancing and stay 2 metres away from anyone who is not in your current cohort group to help protect all members of the school community.



By working together and remembering to be caring,
kind and patient, we can create a wonderful year.
We are so excited to see everyone!

Let's all live the St. Francis Xavier motto and
"Be Great in Small Things".