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Newsflash

May 3	May 4	May 5	May 6	May 7
	Jumpstart 2:30-4:30		Jumpstart 2:30-4:30 Spirit Day – Twin day!	Pro-d Day – no school for students
May 10	May 11	May 12	May 13	May 14
	Jumpstart 2:30-4:30	Spirit Day – Jersey Day	Jumpstart 2:30-4:30	Family Colour Day

Covid Exposures at our school:

Recently we have seen an increase in the numbers of students and families who have tested positive for Covid, resulting more exposure letters coming out from Fraser Health.

I wanted to let you all know how the process works when we receive notification of a student testing positive at the school.

- Fraser Health calls me to let me know there has been a positive case and which dates that student was at school
- They ask a number of questions to determine who the close contacts of that person are
- I consult with the classroom teacher to answer these questions to the best of our ability, and we always err on the side of caution as we take our student and staff health and safety very seriously
- Fraser Health makes a determination on who is going to be receiving self-isolation letters (if any) and who will be receiving a self-monitoring letter. The whole school always receives an exposure letter.
- **It is important to note that exposure only happens when you are directly in face-to-face contact for longer than 15 mins with a person who has tested positive for Covid. You cannot get Covid from someone who is negative but has been exposed. What was explained to me by Fraser Health was "Covid can't jump", again, you have to be in direct contact with a person who has tested positive. *This is the reason that only the child (direct contact) needs to self-isolate, not the rest of the family.***
- The students who need to self-isolate stay at home for the period of time necessary
- If the whole class is in self-isolation including the teacher, online school through TEAMS typically starts on the second day, giving the teacher a full day to prepare for this switch.

It is important to note that it is Fraser Health that determines who needs to do what (self-isolate, monitor, or just be aware of an exposure), not myself or the district. I know that seeing all these letters can be worrisome. At any time, it is your choice what to do with your child. However, it is also important to know that our teachers are not obligated to

provide work or learning for students who stay home unless the whole class is in self-isolation. Some feel comfortable to do this though, so please feel free to reach out to your child's teacher to see if there is anything that can be provided.

Some learning ideas that work with all grade levels:

- reading any books you have at home and then talking, writing, or drawing about the story or information – think: who, what, when, where, why, how?
- writing a journal, a story, or about a topic of interest
- playing math games online or reviewing basic facts
 - * for our little ones: counting and sorting objects, adding and subtracting small groups together
 - * for our bigger ones: using the objects to multiply or divide, doing games and drills with times tables
- doing a passion project to learn about something your child is interested in
- watching a National Geographic, Discovery Kids, or history show and writing about what they have learned
- or go here for a variety of other activities and the link to our district's online resources:

<https://www.surreyschools.ca/ParentServices/Pages/default.aspx>

These exposures also remind all of us to do what we need to do to:

- Mask up
- Wash hands regularly and often
- Stay home when you are sick
- Keep your distance
- Not have play dates or social visits indoors, especially sleep overs
- Not to gather in big groups
- Get the first vaccine you can

I know we are all (myself included!) so tired of all of this. We are hopefully in the home stretch and need to continue to work together to keep us all safe. Thank you to all of you who are doing what you can. Thank you to all of you who are working hard to stay the course for our community. It is hard, it is tough, but as we know, together we can do this.

Take care, Clayton Cougars and feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions or concerns at any time. We are always here for you!

Lauretta Fenrick
Principal

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