

Friday January 29, 2021

Good afternoon Osler Community,

Well it looks like we have dodged the snow down in Vancouver! ❄️ We are fortunate to live in a city where we are so close to the North Shore Mountains and see the snow there. For some of you skiing or other winter activities are an important part for your family: the North Shore mountains provide incredible opportunities for us to play outside while keeping the provincial health officer's COVID protocols in place. The Osler community, families, staff and students are doing a remarkable job maintaining COVID protocol and we are so fortunate that we continue to provide academic and social emotional programs at school without interruption. I commend everyone for doing their part! As Dr. Bonnie Henry reminded us yesterday *"Any travel beyond your local community, unless it is absolutely essential for work or medical care, is strongly discouraged right now. This is necessary because we know that COVID-19 can travel with us, and we can just as easily bring it back on our return. If it is a day trip or a weekend getaway, the risk is the same."*



### **Students arriving late**

We understand that sometimes our students are late and we welcome them when this happens. Please remember that any student who is late MUST enter the building at the Office entrance, sanitize their hands and then let Ms. Ingrid know they are now here. This way we ensure that their hands are sanitized and that the office knows they are in the building. We have had the occasional worried parent when the office calls and their child was late but did not inform us. Thank you for your attention with this important matter.



### **Black History Month**

It is hard to believe but next week is February! February is Black History Month. During Black History Month, Canadians celebrate the many achievements and contributions of Black Canadians who, throughout history, have done so much to make Canada the culturally diverse, compassionate and prosperous nation it is today. The VSB continues to bring awareness to this important topic that has seen recent elevated media exposure.



### **Goal Setting conferences**

The scheduled days for goal setting conferences is Wednesday February 10 and Thursday February 11. On these days students are dismissed at 2:00 to provide extra time to complete conferences. You will receive a reminder about these Early Dismissal days closer to the date. You will also receive information from your child(ren)'s teacher(s) regarding dates and times.

Enjoy the weekend,  
Rosemary Thomas  
Principal at Osler