



Dear Families

I hope that you and your families are healthy and well on this beautiful sunny Friday afternoon. Every day, I find myself eagerly awaiting our Provincial updates at 3:00pm to learn whether we can expect a return to school. Yesterday, I shared with you the BC Ministry of Education document which outlines the stages that we will follow for a safe and gradual return to school. Today, School Based Administrators are reviewing the [BC COVID-19 Go-Forward management strategy](#) as we start to consider the logistics of a safe gradual return to school in preparation for if and when we get a date.

As I wrote last week, staff will soon be starting the class placement process for next year. **If you have any information about your child's educational and learning needs that you think your child's teacher is not aware of and will help to inform the class placement process, please email your child's teacher or myself by Tuesday 19th May- the day after the Victoria Day long weekend.**

Please note that there will not be any online learning next Friday 15th May because it is a Professional Development day for staff. Also next week, Mr. Hunter will be letting your children know about Spirit Day next Thursday- which was scheduled to be on Thursday 14th May.

On behalf of the staff here at Simon Fraser, I would like to let you- our school community know how much we value and appreciate your ongoing support. As businesses reopen, we will be showing our appreciation by ordering from your restaurants, purchasing goods from your stores and using your services when we can. We shall spread the word to our friends and social networks too- just let your child's teacher know when your company is ready for customers and they will update the rest of the staff.

I hope that you are all able to get outside to safely enjoy the good weather this weekend. I wish a Happy Mother's Day to all of our Moms- tell your children that Ms. Thomas says you should have breakfast in bed on Sunday.

Take care and stay safe,

Cathy Thomas
Principal
Simon Fraser Elementary