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**Date:** September 25, 2020

**Re:** Weekly Communication

Once again, thank you everyone for all your patience, as things are really become routine. It's so nice to see all the children at school participating in all the classroom activities.

Please see the following reminders and important changes:

1. **School pictures have been CANCELLED** for this year. We have further reduced class sizes for lunch time to accommodate for the social distancing, therefore we cannot safely accommodate a space for taking photos this year. However, teachers will be taking ample learning pictures of your children throughout the school year! We do apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.
2. We need permission from you for the physical education teachers to use the community Fitness Park next to the school. **Please read the attached permission form** and send your approval as an email to [arb@srsd.ca](mailto:arb@srsd.ca). We will print this email off and consider this as your permission. This will ONLY be used for our Physical Education programming, not for recesses.
3. Thank you for supporting us in **keeping toys at home** during this time. Any kind of toys are not permitted at the school. This includes trading cards, blankets, dolls, etc.
4. Also, we ask that **no birthday invitations, or any other invitations** come to school. If you would like to invite classmates to a birthday party, please contact the teacher. With your permission, the teacher could provide the other parents with your approved contact information electronically to accommodate.
5. We also ask that you talk to your children about **no sharing food** at the school. This has always been something that we have supported, however in the times that we are in, it is even more important for everyone's safety.
6. Students have been tremendously resilient! It has been wonderful seeing them back in their classroom with their classmates learning and adjusting to all the new structures (ie. social distancing and cohorting). Help us in congratulating them on a near seamless back-to-school adjustment after being away for so long.

We want to thank you for being so receptive and supportive as we move to our new paperless format. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us during our school hours, or email us.

Enjoy your weekend!

Sandra Meilleur

Principal, Arborgate School