



GLEN ELM COMMUNITY SCHOOL

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Dear Glen Elm Families,

What a whirlwind this year has been and continues to be! First, we want to say how much we are looking forward to having our students back in the building on Monday!! We know that remote learning is not easy, and we cannot wait to get back into the swing of regular classroom routines and see our kiddos in person! Thank you to those of you who guided your children through the online process and helped with paper packages that went home. We appreciate the effort and attention of our families as you supported your child/ren with at home learning. Your help made a difference in your child's learning.

As we return to school on Monday, May 3rd, there are a few reminders that we wanted to send out to continue to mitigate the risk of transmission as best as possible and we would appreciate your help. We ask for your assistance in reminding your children of these safety precautions before they return:

1. Please arrive as close to 9:08 am as possible. Use your designated door and remember to practice physical distancing in your line.
2. Always wear your mask properly. Please send extra masks if possible so that they can be changed if they become wet or soiled.
3. Use hand sanitizer each time you come in the classroom.
4. We strongly encourage students to go home for lunch if possible. Masks are removed during lunch time for an extended period while students are eating.
5. As the weather has warmed up, students may be learning outside when appropriate. Please ensure that students are dressed for the weather.
6. As at the beginning of the school year, parents and guardians were asked to not enter the playground but when necessary, a mask must be worn. Please continue to follow that protocol.
7. Students are released from classes at 3:22 pm and supervision is provided until 3:37. Students are asked to head home as soon as possible after school to reduce exposure to other students on the playground.
8. Above all else, **if your child is at all unwell or is exhibiting symptoms, please keep them at home.** They should not return to school until they are symptom free for 48 hours.

Thank you for working to keep our students and staff as safe as possible as we journey through these last couple of months.

If your family is choosing not to return to the building at this time, please call the office to speak with Mrs. Miller. Please note the following:

1. eSchool is not an option at this time. Registration is closed.
2. Your child's absence will be noted, and teachers will supply what they can. That said, teachers will be focusing on the students in front of them and will not be expected to provide remote learning.
3. Direct teaching and lessons are not possible.
4. Teachers will continue to provide some learning opportunities on their learning platforms (Seesaw and Google Classroom). Paper resources may be available to families if requested. Any returned/submitted work will be assessed and included on year end Progress Reports.
5. If needed, we will build a plan with you, and intend to keep the door open for your return when you feel comfortable.

We appreciate your continued support as we work through all of this together. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out.

Take care and stay safe,

Marilyn Miller
Principal

Sandra Bellegarde
Vice-Principal