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Dear Families:

On behalf of your MVEC Family, we hope you have had a safe and restful summer. After many months apart, we are so excited to welcome students and staff back to school! **The first day of school for students is Tuesday, September 8, 2020.**

All students are returning to school as outlined in Nova Scotia's *Back to School Plan*. To learn more about the plan, visit www.novascotia.ca/backtoschool.

We recognize you may have questions. Rest assured that supporting your child's return to school is our highest priority. COVID-19 has changed what our school and school day will look like, but it has not changed the quality of education, or the care and support that your child will receive.

There will be many changes to routines in September. Among the changes:

- All students who ride a school bus will be required to wear a mask.
- All students in Grades 4 to 12 and all staff will be required to wear a mask when they are unable to physically distance.
- Schools will receive enhanced cleaning.
- Increased handwashing and sanitizing as students enter and exit school and throughout the day.

Over the course of the next two weeks leading up to the first day of school, I will be outlining what students and families can expect, with my next message to you coming by this Friday; these updates will be sent by email and posted on our website at <https://muc.hrce.ca/>. If you know of a community member without access to the internet, please let them know details of our updates, with our gratitude.

I will be sure to share photos of our new signage and classrooms as we proceed as well. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch at rlegge@hrce.ca

Together in Teamwork,
Robin Legge, Principal