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Welcome to our new and returning families. We hope you had an adventurous and relaxing summer!

This notice offers information about our first week of school. Please read it carefully.

On **Tuesday, September 7th**, all students in grades 1-7 will meet their last year teachers where they did last year (i.e. their division lineup spot). Students new to the school, and those returning from Learning at Home, will meet at the rainbow behind the school. School is in session 9:00-10:00.

On **Wednesday, September 8th**, all students in grades 1-7 will once again meet their last year teachers where they did last year (i.e. their division lineup spot) and students new to the school, and those returning from Learning at Home, will meet at the rainbow behind the school. All students will be placed in temporary multi-aged groups of grades 1-3 or grades 4-7 for the remainder of the week (**September 9th and 10th**). Teachers will let students know where to meet each morning. We anticipate that our school organization will be finalized by **Monday, September 13th** and that students will begin with their classroom teachers then. As with the rest of the school year, our welcome bell is at 8:50 and instruction begins at 8:55. Students will be dismissed at 3:00.

Our First Week’s theme is Place and Purpose – creating hope, meaning, and belonging. We will also continue to integrate our work with students around growth mindset and indigenous ways of knowing.

COVID-19 Guidelines for K-12 Schools:

- **Masks:** All K-12 staff and all students in Grades 4-12 are required to wear a mask while indoors at school. Students in Kindergarten to Grade 3 are strongly encouraged to do so, as well. Be sure to send extra masks for your child’s use.
- **Health Check:** Students and staff will continue to be asked to do the daily health check to determine if they should come into the building that day and should not attend if they are unwell.
- **Learning Groups:** The Province’s plan does not have cohorts or learning groups, and these will not be in place.
- **Hand Hygiene:** Students and staff will be asked to frequently wash their hands.
- **Access to Buildings:** If families are wanting to come into the school, please continue to make an appointment.

Kindergarten:

More information will be sent to parents about gradual entry by **Thursday, September 2nd**.

Grades 1 to 7:

Students do not need to bring any school supplies for the first week. Grades K-3 school supplies can be paid for through school cash online once your child has been assigned to their new teacher. Intermediate students (Grades 4-7) should bring their supplies on Monday, September 13th. Information on supplies can be found here: <https://universityhighlands.burnabyschools.ca/school-supplies-2021-2022/>

We are looking forward to another successful school year.

Mark Harding
Principal

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