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Good afternoon,

We are pleased to share that JMSA School is able to confirm a return to in-person learning on **Monday, January 10, 2022**, for families that have requested it. Bus times remain the same as before the winter break. Thank you for your patience this week as we have worked to put into place additional health and safety measures.

For children returning to "in person" learning:

1. Daily COVID-19 screening

- All families must complete and follow the directions on the revised COVID-19 school screening tool for their child each day prior to coming to school. The revised tool is found at <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/school-screening/>
- The provincial COVID screening tool was updated as of January 2022. It has changed significantly. Please review the new screening tool carefully.
- Parents must initial the January 2022 calendar daily to confirm daily screening. The calendar was sent home prior to the break with your child.

2. Rapid Antigen Testing

- Rapid Antigen Tests were sent home prior to the winter break as an additional tool for families to use during the holiday and prior to returning to school.
- The use of these tests is voluntary, and reporting results to the school is not mandatory.
- More Rapid Antigen tests are expected shortly and will be sent home to families.

Our goal is to continue offering safe in-person learning. However, at times we may be required to move to virtual learning dependent on student or staff illness levels. School staff must also complete the COVID screening tool daily, and we must have sufficient staff to safely meet children's needs. Parents will be notified by the school should a temporary return to virtual learning be necessary at any time.

For families who chose the direct link option, the link will be emailed directly to you tomorrow morning, in preparation for next week.

Thank you,

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