

# September

## Bonjour et Bienvenue

We are so excited to be working with your children this year. We look forward to talking with them, discovering what they are interested in and learning with them! It is going to be a great year!

## Back to school Prayer

Dear Lord,

We pray for the students and teachers going back to schools this next school year. We pray for their health and safety.

We pray for our janitorial staff and our office staff who are essential employees at schools that are open; we pray that you would keep them safe and protected from the virus.

Please protect the families of the students and teachers as they return home each day; please slow the spread of the virus so that it would not infect these families.

Lord, we also pray for energy and rest for the students and teachers so that they would be able to plan their lessons and effectively teach all their students, also that the students would be able to learn and keep up with their lessons. We also pray for their spiritual growth, in Your name, Jesus. Amen.

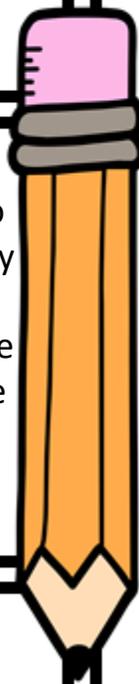
We know the decision to send your child to school this year was a difficult one for many of you. Please be assured that Ms. Stirling and I are doing everything we can to ensure the safety of our students and embrace the philosophies of our play-based learning program.

- Mlle Alvarado and Ms. Stirling

## Allergy Alert

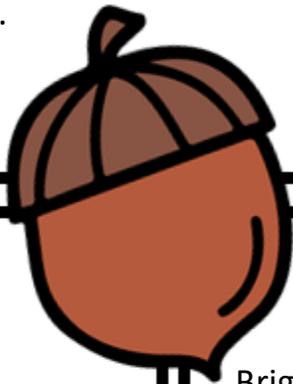
Notre Dame is a **peanut** and **nut** safe school. We have children with severe allergies to these foods in our school. For the safety of **all** students, please do not send these foods in your child's lunch.

Thank you!



## REMINDERS

1. All items sent from home should be labelled with your child's name. (clothes, lunch pail, water bottle, etc.)
2. Please send a complete change of clothes with your child including underwear and socks in a Ziploc bag.
3. Please send a refillable water bottle with your child. The fountains are closed but the filtered water stations are open.
4. We have a litter less lunch policy. Students will be bringing all garbage home with them. Please consider unwrapping all food items and placing them in a reusable container.



### Notre Dame on Social Media

Don't forget to check out what is happening on our Twitter feed:



### Brightspace

Brightspace is an online learning platform that allows educators to post information such as calendars, newsletters, as well as learning tasks should it become necessary. Brightspace can be accessed through the BHN School Board website: [bhncdsb.ca](http://bhncdsb.ca). Students new to Notre Dame will have their username and password emailed to their parents along with instructions about how to access Brightspace.

If your child is in their second year of Kindergarten, you received your child's username and password last year. More information will be provided in the coming weeks.

### Changes in Dismissal

If there are any changes in how your child gets home, please notify the office. This way we can ensure they get handed off the right person or don't get on the bus or are not staying in aftercare.