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Dear Parents,

I hope that your summer has been wonderful and am looking forward to seeing you and your daughters soon. For sure, this is the start of a most unusual school year and I know that the School community will be happy to see each other and return to a daily routine.

I am pleased to share The Study's Reopening Plan below which has the words 'caring, comprehensive and continued learning' integrated in the title as this Plan reflects our mission and values. It has been developed with the health and safety of all as our primary concern. Our teachers are looking forward to a return to school and have prepared for continuous and enriched learning, whether it be in-class or online, should the current situation change. In addition to the work which teachers have engaged in over the summer, rest assured that I am committed to continued professional development in the area of online learning.

As stated in the Ministry directive, and mentioned in my video, our plan allows all students from K-11 to return to school. At The Study, all students will be engaged in full-time learning in the building, unless an underlying medical condition of the student, or of those with whom she lives prohibits attendance.

It is important that students start off the year together and establish the relationships with teachers, and with each other, that are critical to academic success. This is best achieved in person, rather than online. Although school will look somewhat different, the girls will be happy to see each other, re-establish friendships and form new ones, and continue with their academic learning.

The success of this reopening plan depends on our shared responsibility. We have implemented best practices, which surpass Ministry guidelines, such as the wearing of masks by all students, staff and faculty in the building, to provide a safe and healthy environment. In turn, students, parents and all stakeholders are asked to engage in best practices in your daily lives. Soon, you will receive an agreement which outlines this partnership and needs to be returned to school by September 1.

As the details in the Plan are evolving, based on new information and changing Ministry requirements, we will send out regular updates.

Our Reopening Plan can be found at the link below. To answer any further questions you may have, please join us for online Parent Information Meetings as follows:

Tuesday August 18 (If you are unable to join us, a summary recording will be available).

[11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. - Parents of students in Elementary School](#)

[1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. - Parents of students in Senior School](#)

I look forward to connecting with you soon.

Yours truly,

Kim McInnes
Head of School