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## **IMPORTANT UPDATE | Screening tool and public health information**

Dear parents and guardians,

I hope you and your loved ones are doing well with less than two weeks to go before the holiday break.

### **Screening Tool**

The [provincial government's screening tool](#) for schools and child care facilities has been modified. We remind you of the importance of monitoring your child's symptoms by using the screening tool each morning before going to school or child care. It is important for the health and safety of all members of our school community that your child stays home if they are sick.

### **Public Health Information Documents**

If you would like to learn more about the viruses that are currently circulating and would like advice on how to deal with illness, please review the following public health documents:

- Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) Fact Sheet from the Department of Health ([follow link](#))
- Reinforce your protection against COVID-19" fact sheet ([follow link](#))
- CHEO's helpful webpage to help parents and caregivers cope with coughs and colds this season ([follow link](#))
- CHEO's "My child is sick. Where can I get care?" ([follow link](#))

### **Flu Clinics**

We invite you to read this letter from the Eastern Ontario Health Unit regarding community flu clinics ([follow link](#)).

### **REMINDER - Wearing a mask**

Wearing a mask is strongly recommended by the province's Chief Medical Officer of Health indoors in busy areas as a preventive measure against various respiratory viruses. Masks are available if your child needs them. Your child can request them from his/her teacher.

I thank you for your cooperation and I wish you a great week.

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