Dear SF Day Parents & Guardians,

We appreciate all of the effort, restraint, and sacrifices everyone is making to help keep our community safe. Numbers in San Francisco are trending down, restrictions are being eased, and vaccinations are slowly becoming available. We of course need to continue to be vigilant, but certainly, this inspires a degree of reassurance and a glimmer of hope.

As we head into the weekend, a couple of important updates.

- 1. <u>Travel Advisory</u>: As you might have read in the news, the required travel quarantine has been lifted. However, the travel advisory remains in place as the State continues to advise against non-essential or travel 120 miles away from home.
- 2. **Sports**: SFDPH has approved low-contact outdoor sports and dance for school and community-sponsored programs, based on guidance from the <u>California Department of Public Health</u>. Low-contact outdoor sports consist of low exertion rates, consistently wearing face coverings, and avoiding contact within six feet of other participants. Our own Mr. Tognetti literally broke out into what resembled a form of tap dance and hip-hop when the news was released. Details will be forthcoming, but the coaches are ready and we look forward to being able to offer a selection of outdoor athletic activities for the children. The focus will be on health, exercise, and skill development.
- 3. **Testing**: The school-based testing for employees and students will continue. We appreciate the 72 people who took place in the Community Testing event on February 18th. We will continue to post the dates of upcoming events. Even though positivity rates are going down, the importance of continuing our testing protocols remains high. Please sign-up your children ages 10+ up for the <u>school-based testing events</u>.
- 4. **Vaccinations**: The city has opened up vaccinations for Tier 1b, meaning educators are now eligible. Many of our faculty and staff have secured appointments, some have already received their first-round vaccination. We have benefitted from our partnership with Mission Wellness Pharmacy, and you can imagine the joyful sigh of relief when they offered to host a vaccination clinic at school this Saturday for our interested employees. If you happen to drive by school Saturday afternoon and see some activity, honk!

We appreciate your continued support as we work together to keep our community safe and provide the education our students deserve.

Sincerely,

Mike Walker Head of School