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Dear Parents.

Time is moving so quickly, and I can hardly believe that the winter holiday is upon us! I am delighted to be welcoming you, your daughters and guests to our Virtual Holiday Showcase on Thursday, December 17 at 6:30pm. The YouTube premiere can be viewed here.

Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who joined me on December 4th for the Virtual Wine Tasting and Auction Evening. It was a pleasure to share this unique and fun-filled virtual evening experience with so many Study community members. I am delighted to report that we raised over \$30,000 in net proceeds in support of our exciting Active Outdoor Learning Spaces project. Wine, cheese and holiday cheer was enjoyed by everyone! Thank you to Caroline Savoie, mother to Charlotte Egger in Grade 2, for chairing this wonderful event.

I invite you to take a look at our <u>60-second 3-D animation movie</u> to view our plans of these outdoor spaces. We look forward to using these flexible spaces for learning, playing, gathering, exploring, and experimenting. They will also offer mental and physical health benefits as students and staff can look forward to spending more time outdoors and connected to nature.

Holiday Baskets

The Study's holiday basket tradition continued this year, and we collected over \$9,500 for St. Gabriel's Parish. Thank you to everyone for your generosity!

Online Classes for ALL Students: Jan 5 – 8 inclusively

In light of yesterday's announcement, all students, both in the Elementary School and Senior School will now be online the first week back after winter break (January 5-8 inclusively). Monday, January 4 will remain a Ped Day for students.

COVID Notice During the Holidays

In keeping with new directives from Santé Publique, we ask that you notify your division director of any new positive cases in your family during the holidays. We are obligated to report this information on a daily basis, even when the school is closed.

Important Reminders

A reminder that if you plan to leave the country over the holidays, you will need to remain in isolation for 14 days upon your return to Canada, as required by Santé Publique. If someone in your household is being tested, you are asked to keep your daughter home, and to inform the school.

Thank you for continuing to play an important role in helping to reduce the spread of COVID and for keeping our Study community safe.

Wishing you a very happy holiday and a safe and healthy New Year (and don't forget to have some fun)!

Looking forward to seeing you in 2021,

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Head of School