

February 8, 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians,

This school year has seen students and teachers teaching and learning in various formats, sometimes making schedules and routines a challenge. As we settle into our routines following the two-week remote learning period and winter break, we wanted to reach out to our community to share our appreciation for your work in supporting your children with their schoolwork and in following the fundamentals.

We have been doing everything we can as a school division to limit the transmission of COVID-19 in our buildings. Details of positive cases in our province can be found on the [COVID dashboard](#). You will note that the dashboard identifies both those cases that were present in school when they were infectious and those that were not present in school when they were infectious.

As spring break and long weekends approach, please be reminded that as of January 28, 2021, anyone entering Manitoba, regardless of whether it was from another country or province, must self-isolate for 14 days (including students and staff).

Our lives and interactions have been unpredictable over the past year. With so many unknowns, some of us have felt worried and scared. The province has put together some [resources for parents and students](#) that we want to share with you if you are aware of anyone who is experiencing stress as a result of COVID-19. Resources continue to be available at your school as well.

Thank you for continuing to follow [public health orders](#) and guidelines and encouraging those you know to do the same. The numbers of cases in Winnipeg would not be where they are today if it wasn't for the work we have done together and will continue to do to keep each other safe.

Fundamentals such as:

- Staying home if you are sick
- Washing/sanitizing our hands and covering coughs/sneezes
- Physically distancing
- Mask use

We are grateful to partner with you through this pandemic. We appreciate your commitment to your family and community in ensuring the well-being of our students.

Sincerely,



Kelly Barkman
Superintendent/CEO