



## September 4, 2020

Dear École Warman Elementary School (É.W.E.S.) Families,  
Bonjour and Hello!

As we get closer to welcoming our students back to school this fall, our excitement is growing and our anticipation to get back to “what we do best” in teaching and learning is rising. It has been a long 6 months since we were last in schools and now, as we prepare for re-entry (and for our PreK and K students, their first time at school), we are very aware that many things have changed, not only in education, but in our lives, in our world and in our capacities to learn and grow. Beyond learning new terminology such as “distancing” and “quarantine” and purchasing items like hand sanitizer like it’s going out of style, there have been many, many “silver linings”. These moments have helped us to appreciate the little things, helped us all to empathize, to pull together, to support one another and to really think about our health and the health of others. In education, what may have seemed impossible at one point grew and evolved very quickly this spring as we learned how to support and connect with students and families in so many new ways. Relationships were formed and deepened in many instances as parents stepped up bravely as partners in the delivery and home support of their children’s learning. Have there been hardships? Absolutely. Has it been less than ideal? Yes, it certainly has...but...we are committed to re-building together. Our school division’s My Prairie Spirit Classroom (MPSC) document is an excellent guiding document that reminds us of our own foundational principles/our “true north” in education. We cannot wait for students and staff to be back together, for us to build, to connect, to innovate, to listen, to engage and to learn together. Here we go!!!

Yours in Learning,

Your É.W.E.S. Administrative Team,  
Nicole Lacoursiere (Vice Principal)  
Danielle Olson (Principal)



### DATES TO REMEMBER

#### SEPT. 7

Labour Day / No School

#### SEPT.8

Soft Start”: Students in grade 1-5 return for two of four days this week. Unless otherwise communicated, students with last names A-L will attend Tuesday and Thursday full days and students with last names M-Z will attend Wednesday and Friday

\*Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten families will receive communication regarding their return to school separately through their classroom teachers. Any questions or clarifications can be directed through classroom teachers or the main office at 306-933-2066.

#### Sept. 28-29

School Photos POSTPONED (we will communicate our new date to families once re-scheduled)

#### SEPT. 30

Terry Fox Walk

#### Oct. 1



In recognition of Orange Shirt Day (September 30, 2020) we will wear Orange on Oct. 1



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As we return to classes next week for our “soft start” dates, we know there is a lot of information that families need to navigate.

**Our Division and School Safe plans and protocols are in place to keep us all safe as we return to school and can be accessed through our website at <https://blogs.spiritsd.ca/wes/>.**

**\*\* Below, you will see a SHORTENED VERSION of some important information regarding the first week back for students.**

**PLEASE REFER TO OUR FULL SAFE SCHOOL PLAN on our website as well as email communication from your CLASSROOM TEACHER for the detailed versions (We will be updating it periodically)**

*If you have any questions, please email your classroom teacher or the school and we will figure it out together.*

## Returning to School/Parents as Partners



Our first week back will provide for lots of time to take things slow, learn about new “norms” together, and to take into account all of the newness (and things that are the same) that each child will experience upon coming back this fall. Our entire staff is here to support all of our students and families in navigating this and will work alongside them in these first few weeks to get used to things.

We know that our students benefit the most when the school and homework together in support of their learning and needs. In collaboration with your classroom teacher, please work to discuss and practice at home why (to protect yourself and others) and how we wear a mask, distance from others in public spaces, politely ask for space, wash and sanitize our hands, etc.

### Dropping off/ Picking Up



When students arrive (by bus, walking to school, or being dropped off) we will not be able to play on the playground and they be required to go to their Meeting Spot and wait for the Welcome Bell. Please note that doors will be locked as a safety precaution, however teachers and supervisors will meet students and enter the building as a class, For this reason, at this time, we kindly ask families to wait and drop their children off at about 8:30 am.

We have designated bus parking (in front of the school), staff parking (beside the school) and parent parking areas (across the street and back alley).

Please refer to signage as we work to keep our students safe as they arrive/leave school. We need to ensure that we keep staff and bus parking areas free of traffic/pedestrians as much as possible for safety reasons.

**(Please refer to the Safe School Plan Safe Transportation Section)**

### Entrances/ Exits



All grade levels have been assigned entrance/exits to allow for safe entry/exit and social distancing. Doors are labelled IN/OUT and staff will be there to remind students of procedures for safe entrances/exits.

**(Please refer to our Safe School Plan Safe Access Section)**



Blended learning is a *short-term, temporary support option* that will be *made available to the students in a school community.*

### Busing



Families are encouraged to drop off or facilitate their child riding their bike, walking, etc. to school this year. All students riding the bus will be required to wear a mask (all ages) and seating plans will be utilized, placing family members together. Staff will support students as they get used to the new routines for arriving/leaving on the bus.

**\*For families who have applied for bussing a bus passes will be given to students their first day back.\***

**(Please refer to our Safe School Plan Safe Transportation Section)**

## Recess



We will have staggered recess breaks for students this year. Each grade has a scheduled time, cohorts have specific playground areas they are assigned (rotated), and teachers will ensure proper handwashing/sanitizing and routines are established before and after Recess. Staff will review as necessary.

(Please refer to our Safe School Plan *Safe Access Section*)

## Noon Hours



**Students are strongly encouraged to go home for lunch if/whenever possible.** This fall, we are staggering our lunch and lunch recess times. These times and procedures are in our School Safe Plan and will also be communicated in further detail through the classroom teacher. If students stay for lunch, they will eat in their classrooms, be expected to remain seated at all times, and follow sanitizing procedures.

(Please refer to our Safe School Plan *Safe Access Section*)

## Water Bottles



Our school has been outfitted with water bottle filling stations. We ask that all students bring a reusable water bottle full of water every day to school (and take home every evening to sanitize). Please label with their full name and grade.

(Please refer to our Safe School Plan *Safe Facilities Section*)

## Wearing a Mask



### Masks at School:

Non-medical cloth masks, made using two or three layers of fabric.

PLEASE NOTE: Bandanas and gaiter masks are *not* appropriate face coverings at school (because they are ineffective at blocking respiratory droplets). In the case that a student required to wear a mask does not have one considered appropriate, a disposable mask may be provided by the school until the family is able to provide a new one for their student.

All students (PreK-5) are *required* to wear a mask while on PSSD buses.

Students in grade 4 and 5 at our school are *required* to wear a mask at most times during the day when they are unable to distance 2m, especially in common areas such as hallways and washrooms. Teachers will make efforts to ensure safe, "mask free time" when/if possible and use the outdoors as often as possible/as weather permits.

Students in PreK – Grade 3 are *encouraged* to wear a mask during the school day.

Sending a few masks in a Ziplock each week (disposable or washable) may be a good idea. We are also able to provide a disposable mask to a student if needed. Classroom teachers will support all students in getting used to their masks and various safety procedures around wearing them.

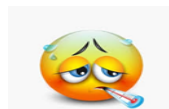
**((Please refer to our Safe School Plan *Safe Facilities Section*)**



## School Access

At this time, we are not able to have parents, volunteers, or guests in the building. Classroom teachers will make every effort to connect with you via telephone, email, virtual meeting and other platforms this year to keep us all connected. Information will be continuously added to our school website so please check often and never hesitate to send a question to your classroom teacher or the office at [wes@spiritsd.ca](mailto:wes@spiritsd.ca).

(Please refer to our Safe School Plan *Safe Access Section*)



## Illness In Care

Families must keep students home when they are sick. If your child is displaying any of the symptoms of COVID-19 (see below), please keep them home (call the office to report their absence 306-933-2066). We recognize that students may become ill while in our care. If a student presents symptoms of COVID 19, the student would be moved immediately to an illness and care room by a designated staff member wearing PPE who would immediately contact parent/guardian to pick their child up and follow protocols. Students in isolation are required to wear a mask at all times and will be monitored closely by a staff member until their family member arrives. COVID 19 Illness in Care Protocols will be followed including calling 811. All areas of the space will be cleaned and disinfected.

Families must have a plan in place for immediate pick up of their child. Please keep all contact information at the office current (home, cell, work numbers, etc.)

Symptoms may include one or more of the following:

- Fever • Cough • Headache • Muscle and/or joint aches and pains • Sore throat • Chills • Runny nose • Nasal congestion • Conjunctivitis • Dizziness • Fatigue • Nausea/vomiting • Diarrhea • Loss of appetite • Loss of sense of taste or smell • Shortness of breath • Difficulty breathing

(Please refer to our Safe School Plan *Safe Attendance Section*)

## Community Resources

<b>Calling:</b>	
Kid Help Phone	1-800-668-6868
Canada Suicide Prevention	1-800-456-4566
Saskatoon Mobile Crisis	1-306-933-6200
Prince Albert Mobile Crisis	1-306-764-1011
<b>Texting:</b>	
Kids Help Phone	text CONNECT to 686868
Canada Suicide Prevention	text 45645
Youthspace	text 778-783-0177
<b>Chat Online:</b>	
Kids Help Phone	Chat.kidshelpphone.ca

(Please refer to our Safe School Plan *Safe Supports* Section)

## MEET OUR STAFF

### Administration

Danielle Olson – Principal  
Nicole Lacoursiere – Vice Principal

#### Administrative Assistants

Eileen Reese

Brittany Ollivier / Ginny Roffey

#### Pre- Kindergarten Teacher

Carla Streeton

#### Kindergarten

Brittany Abbs & Brianne Parkalub

Lindsay Jarema

#### Maternelle

(French Immersion Kindergarten)

Caitlin McDonald

#### Grade One Teachers

Vonda Dozlaw

Nicole Kornelson

Carla Vaagen & Kendra Sepke

#### Première année

(French Immersion Grade 1)

Monique Salud

#### Grade Two Teachers

Ashley Sax

Brandy White

Jeralyn Tebay

Leanne Wruck & Lindsay Jarema

#### Deuxième année

(French Immersion Grade 2 Teacher)

Lindsay Martel

#### Deuxième et Troisième année

(French Immersion Grade 2/3 Teacher)

Amanda Stratton

#### Grade Three Teachers

Alison Bond

Leslie Bull

Cory Cox

Taylor Mui

#### Grade Four Teachers

Janell Morin & Desiraie Gartner

Rochelle Mulligan

Colleen Rowley

Rhonda Werle

#### Grade Five Teachers

Lisa Gudjonson

Nicole McKay

Michelle Schaff

Bonnie Williams

Erin Tempel – Arts Education

Desiraie Gartner – French Immersion  
Support

Shawn Flett – Learning Facilitator

#### Special Education Resource Teachers

Lynn Hyshka

Rhonda Scriven

Amanda Sproule

#### Educational Assistants

Deb Anderson

Cheryl Fortier

Shirley Janzen

Tracey Mooney

Jelena Neudorf

Teri-Lyn Neufeld

Brittany Neurauter

Lucia Oanta

Maxine Unruh

Michelle Wright

#### Caretakers

Matt Jones- Head Caretaker

Kevin Smith- Caretaker

Allister Janzen- Caretaker

#### Counsellor

Jenna Pokol

## IMPORTANT REMINDERS



### Bell Schedule

8:35 A.M.	Welcome Bell to Come Indoors
8:40 A.M.	Morning Classes Begin
10:00 A.M.	Recess (group 1)
10:30 A.M.	Recess (group 2)
12:00 Noon	Lunch/Lunch Recess (Times will vary – Staggered)
12:25 A.M.	Lunch Recess /Lunch (Times will vary – Staggered)
12:45 PM	Afternoon Classes Begin
2:52 P.M.	Dismissal of Students
3:05 P.M.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Loop Bus Dismissal



\*Please do not park where the pylons are set up in our parking loop .We need to keep this area clear for student access.

\*For the safety of everyone please make sure students and adults are crossing at the marked crosswalks.

\*Drivers please take extra caution when driving in front of the school and be aware that things will slow down during the beginning and end of school times.

\*We ask that all parents obey the parking and drop off signs at the front of the school and in our drop off lane. The bylaw officer will be issuing tickets for those continuing to park in non-parking areas and stopping in bus lanes during marked hours.



A Before and After School Program is available at Warman Elementary for the 2020-2021 school year. The program is run by The Boys and Girls Clubs of Saskatoon.

To register your child please visit the website.

[www.bgcsaskatoon.com](http://www.bgcsaskatoon.com)

# WELCOME BACK!

## BIENVENUE!

