



École Massey School

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Reflections from your Principal

Is it possible that we are already at the end of October 2020? This year has both flown by and been extremely long in many ways. Our staff and students continue to work diligently on learning with a major focus on literacy, numeracy and well-being.



Resiliency and flexibility have helped us move forward in this journey through uncertainty. With the support of our community, the dedication of our staff and our students' enthusiasm toward learning, we continue along our educational path.

Parent-Teacher-Student Conference

Our virtual Parent-Teacher-Student conferences will take place on Thursday, November 19th, 2020 (Wednesday, November 18th for our Kindergarten A families). No school for students on their conference day. Due to COVID-19 conferences will be via Google Meets. It would be preferable that students be present during your 12-minute (3 minutes needed for transitions) conference, however we understand that this may not be possible for all families. **You will receive a link to sign-up for a conference time on November 8th via email.** Should a Google Meet conference not be possible for your family, please arrange a phone conference with the classroom teacher. We have moved to a new online system called SchoolInterviews.ca, a Canadian company that provides much better value for our community. You will receive information from the classroom teachers prior to the conference in preparation for discussing your child(ren)'s progress and success at École Massey.



Safety Guidelines:

We are very thankful that as of this date, we have not had a positive case of COVID-19 at École Massey. The following are some of the many guidelines followed at École Massey:

1. Students remain in their cohorts at all times.
2. Teachers keep track of small group instruction on a daily basis.
3. Class seating plans are set and students must remain in their seats with front facing instruction, even during lunchtime.
4. Students use their own materials and are not to share with other classmates.
5. Any shared classroom materials are sanitized using Vital Oxide.
6. Students transported by bus have assigned seating and must remain in their seats. Our bus supervisors check buses on a regular basis.
7. Students who are ill with COVID-19 symptoms wait in the isolation rooms until their parents/guardians arrive to meet them outside the front door. Record of use kept if needed by SHA.
8. Continued use of Vital Oxide multiple times daily in all areas of the school.
9. Social distanced waiting lines for washrooms and office identified with floor signage.
10. Our gym is open to higher grades with guidelines for safety and sanitizing. We will continue to introduce lower grades gradually.
11. Students and staff allowed in building only. Parent early pick-ups or drop-offs done outside the front door. Call when you arrive.

Picture Retakes

You should have received those great school pictures from Lifetouch last week. If you either missed picture day or would like a retake, Lifetouch will be here on November 12th from 10:00 – 11:45.



Band Program:



Students in grades 6, 7 & 8 are now receiving band instruction once a week from our band teachers Mrs. Anderson and Mr. Wilkinson. A maximum of 4 students from the same cohorts attend a 30-minute session while maintaining social distancing and following guidelines such as bell covers, special masks and pads for cleaning of instruments. A 20-minute gap between sessions is necessary in order to sanitize the space and items used with Vital Oxide.

Equipment from home:

In order to maintain student and staff safety, we ask that students do not bring equipment such as footballs, basketball, toboggans, etc. to school. We are in the process of purchasing multiple items for each classroom so that we can maintain the directives from SHA and keep our classroom cohorts safe. Access to materials will be available to students from their own classrooms. The type of equipment purchased include skipping ropes, basketballs, footballs, soccer balls, scoops, etc. for the recess break at lunchtime and during class scheduled physical education/movement breaks. These materials will be sanitized after every use using Vital Oxide and stored in the individual classrooms.



Meet our New SCC:

Our SCC had their AGM on Oct. 13th via ZOOM with very encouraging attendance. At this time, members were either elected or appointed to positions available on the executive and SCC. All are welcome to attend the meetings. The next meeting will occur virtually via ZOOM again on Tuesday, November 03, 2020. Please send an email to massey@rbe.sk.ca to request the link prior to the meeting. Regular meetings will occur on the first Tuesday of the month. Information regarding the SCC is available on the school website at ecolemassey.rbe.sk.ca under the 'parents' tab. More specific information is on the Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/parentsofecolemassey>

Lost and Found Items:

Your stuff misses YOU too.



We have a lovely collection of items in our Lost and Found. We will be taking photos of these items and posting them on our website. Please have a look at the list online and send an email claiming the item(s). Claimed item(s) will be bagged and sent home with the student in their backpack.

Upcoming dates:

Nov 11 th	Remembrance Day – no school
Nov. 18 th	Conferences – Kinders no school only
Nov. 19 th	Conferences – K-8 no school
Nov. 20 th	Teacher Prof. Dev – no school
Nov. 27 th	Jersey day – wear your fav jersey
Dec. 21 st	Start of winter holiday – no school
Jan. 4 th	Return to classes

Treats and sharing in class:

Please remember that during these times, there will be no sharing of snacks, cupcakes, cookies, gifts, invitations, etc. between students or staff.

School Clothing Orders:

Orders are due tomorrow to the classroom teacher with payments made at School Cash Online via the school website.

Thank you to our families:

As we continue through this school year, we want to thank our families for advising the office at (306) 791-8504 or via email at massey@rbe.sk.ca when your child(ren) will be absent, late or picked-up for an appointment. Thank you for having a safe pick-up spot for regular dismissal that does not interfere with busses, sightlines or crosswalks for the safety of our students. Please remember that u-turns in school zones are prohibited with fines upward of \$200.00