



## **ICES PARENT UPDATE**

**October 19, 2020**

### **NO SCHOOL – THURSDAY AND FRIDAY**

Due to our annual Prairie Centre for Christian Education (PCCE) Teachers' Convention, there will be no school this Thursday and Friday.

### **SLEDS**

Earlier in the week, messaging was sent regarding sleds. As we continue to work through COVID protocols, we have decided that this year students will not be bringing their own sleds from home. Rather, the school has purchased a class set of sleds that can be used by all students. This was done to alleviate potential congestion at the sled bins as students attempt to find their personal sleds.

Given that our recesses are cohorted and zoned, there will only be one cohort accessing the hill per recess. With the cooler weather, children will be wearing gloves or mittens when accessing the sleds, hence, there will be minimal contact. Additionally, students will continue to sanitize their hands before and after each recess. As always, student safety is paramount. Thank you for your patience and understanding!

### **PARENT LETTER**

On Friday, students brought home letters pertaining to their specific log-in information, email, and password as this is necessary to access the Teams platform. In the event that we need to return to on-line learning, Teams is the platform which would be used. Please keep this document for the school year.

### **MASKS**

Thank you bus and pick-up families at ICES and ICSS for supporting a positive and safe start to the school year. There have been a number of changes to how students arrive and depart, and everyone has adapted well. The afternoon departure can be slow at times, but we continue to ask for your patience as there are many moving parts.

When on the bus or transitioning in, around and out of the buildings, please remember to practice appropriate mask wearing in these designated areas. We thank you for your continued support!

### **VIRTUAL CLASSROOM TOURS**

ICES teachers have created virtual classroom tours for you to access through the microsites on the school website. Links to the microsites are at the bottom of the ICES website. Grade 1 has both videos on the Grade 1 microsite, rather than on the individual teacher sites.

### **PARENT-TEACHER CHECK-IN**

Friday, October 23 is our Parent-Teacher Check-In. If you have not yet booked an appointment through Conference Manager, it will be open until noon on October 21. Teachers will then email you a Teams link for your assigned time.

### **ICES CLOTHING**

A few weeks ago, we asked for feedback regarding interest in purchasing ICES gear. We are in the midst of putting together a list of products offered including visuals and sizing charts. Unlike other years, we will not be placing a bulk order with a surplus of stock. Instead, families will need to pre-order their items individually. Information pertaining to ordering via school cash on-line will follow in the near future.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Wednesday, November 11** – Remembrance Day – No School

**Saturday, November 14** – ICS Fall Fill Up

**Monday, November 23** – Report Card One

**Friday, November 27** – Parent/Teacher Interviews

*You can also access the calendar on the school website and School Guide app.*