



School District of Mystery Lake

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This letter is to make parents and guardians aware of the COVID-19 situation with the intention of reducing risk to our community and to act with the best health interests of the province of Manitoba.

As instructed by the Chief Medical Officer of Manitoba, Dr. Roussin, we are promoting social distancing in our schools.

Further, we have water bottle filling stations in our schools that will continue to operate. Send a reusable water bottle with your child if you can. Water fountains will not be used until further notice.

All staff are encouraging good hygiene practices that include: regular hand washing, minimize touching your own face, and cough/sneeze etiquette. Please reinforce these healthy practices with your child.

Custodians are wiping down surfaces used by many people. These commonly used surfaces include desks and tables, doorknobs, light switches, elevator buttons, railings, and other frequently touched surfaces.

During this time of uncertainty, it may be best to keep your child home if they are feeling unwell or has a runny nose &/or cough.

Schools will be closely monitoring staff and students for signs of illness and will contact parents and guardians should any concerning symptoms be observed.

The information regarding COVID-19 is rapidly evolving, so it is important for each of us to remain informed. The following links and contact information will assist you in having current and accurate information:

<https://www.who.int>

<https://www.gov.mb.ca/health/publichealth/factsheets/coronavirus.pdf>

<https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/2019-novel-coronavirus-infection.html>

Health Links-Info Santé at **1-204-788-9257** or toll free at **1-888-315-9257**

The School District of Mystery Lake will be communicating as quickly and effectively as possible, but it is important for all of us to be attentive, to be flexible, and to take both personal as well as collective responsibility to protect ourselves and each other. As this virus spreads, we will be guided by Manitoba Health who are best positioned to inform our decisions.

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