

Welcome Back to Lord Selkirk School

2020-2021



September 2020



Guidelines and Expectations

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We so are excited to see
you back at school!



The end of last school year presented us with some challenges due to COVID-19. We got through it together as a community. We missed you and can't wait to have you back at school in September.

We have spent a lot of time preparing the school for a safe return to school. The following slides will help you understand the new expectations at Lord Selkirk School that have been put in place for everyone's safety. These changes we have put in place are based on both the Winnipeg School Division and provincial recommendations. All staff will be trained on these new expectations and protocols prior to school opening for students.

Expectations and guidelines are subject to change throughout the year to meet the most current recommendations.



School Preparedness and Routines

Before you come to school, the critical role of families:



- Caregivers must prescreen their child/children **every day** to ensure they are not exhibiting any COVID-19 symptoms.
- Any student who is showing any **symptoms** of COVID-19 (including runny nose, sneezing, coughing, etc.) **must stay home**.
- See this link for the screening tool:
<https://sharedhealthmb.ca/covid19/screening-tool/>
- Please send your child/children with a filled water bottle every day. Water fountains will not be operating at this time. We will have a limited supply of water at the school
- Masks are strongly encouraged for all grades however will be **mandatory** for grades 4-6

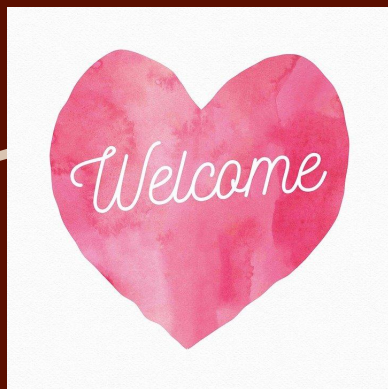
School Preparedness and Routines

Arrival:

Main Playground Doors
Rooms - 4, 7, 8, 15, 17, 35

South Playground Doors
Rooms - 25, 27, 30, 32, 36, 40

Nursery/Kindergarten Door (front, west door)
Rooms 1, 2



- Students will arrive no earlier than 8:45 a.m.
- Grade 1-6 students will line up at their classroom pylon on the playground.
- Teachers will meet their students on the playground and enter the building in a staggered manner at assigned doors.
 - Group A (8:45 a.m.) - Rooms 4, 8, 15, 36, 30 & 32
 - Group B (8:55 a.m.) - Rooms 7, 17, 35, 40, 25 & 27
- Nursery/Kindergarten students will wait outside the NK doors with an adult until the teacher meets them and escorts the students inside.
 - Group C (8:45 a.m. & 12:55 p.m) Rooms 1 & 2
- When students are greeted outside, staff will conduct a screening and all students hands will be sanitized prior to entering their classroom.
- ***As much as we would like an open school community, parents/caregivers will not be permitted inside the school at this time.***

Late Arrivals:

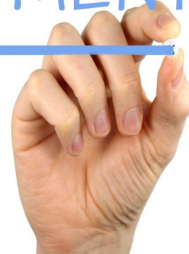
- At **9:00 a.m.** and **1:00 p.m.** all school doors will be locked.
- All students that arrive late in the morning and the afternoon, must enter through the front doors.
 - Students will be screened by a staff member and hands will be sanitized.
 - Students will receive a late slip and be escorted to their classroom
- Nursery/Kindergarten parents must buzz the office and wait for a staff member to pick up their child.



Appointments/ Early Pick Ups

- Please call the office and let Ms. Rempel or Ms. Piscasio know if your child/children need to be picked up early so we can have them ready. 204-667-8495
- Once you arrive please call the office and a staff member will ensure a safe meet up outside of the school.

APPOINTMENT



Cohorts:



Cohorts are groups of students that will stay in the same part of the building, have recess together, and have lunch together in designated areas.

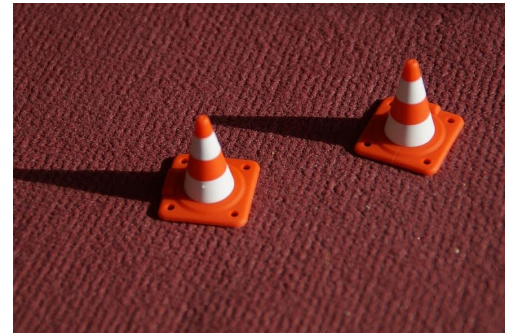
- Primary Cohorts (Grades 1-3):
 - Rooms 4 and 8
 - Rooms 7 and 17
 - Rooms 15 and 36

- Intermediate Cohorts (Grades 4-6):
 - Rooms 25 and 27
 - Rooms 30 and 32
 - Rooms 35* and 40

- Nursery/Kindergarten Cohort
 - Rooms 1 and 2

Recess

- Cohorts will have scheduled recesses supervised by their teacher.
- Recesses will be staggered
- Each cohort will have a designated recess area marked by coloured pylons. Areas will be rotated.
- All cohorts will have their own recess bin with equipment for the hard top and field.
- Recess equipment will be sanitized daily
- Students will sanitize their hands before and after recess.



Lunch/Lunch Program

*If your child/children would like to stay for lunch, you must register for our lunch program (FDK-Grade 6). Please visit our website for a registration form or call the school.

<https://www.winnipegssd.ca/schools/LordSelkirk/Programs/lunch-program/Pages/default.aspx>

- Students in lunch program will eat lunch in their classrooms.
- Lunch hour will be staggered.
 - 12:00-12:25 p.m.
 - Group A Cohorts - Lunch Recess
 - Group B & C Cohorts - Eating in classroom
 - 12:25-12:55 p.m.
 - Group A Cohorts - Eating in classroom
 - Group B & C Cohorts - Lunch Recess
- Cohorts will be supervised by lunch program staff and Lord Selkirk staff.
- During lunch recess cohorts will have a designated recess area marked by coloured pylons. Areas will be rotated.
- Students will sanitize their hands before and after eating.
- Classrooms will be cleaned after eating.

***If your child/children go home for lunch, please ensure they do not arrive back at the school until 12:55 p.m.**

Washrooms:



- Cohorts will have designated washrooms
- Only one student will be allowed in the washroom at a time.
- All washrooms will be considered gender neutral.
- Spots on the floor outside the washroom will be marked to wait for the washroom if in use.
- There will be a system to monitor if the washroom is in use.

Increased Cleaning/ Disinfecting:

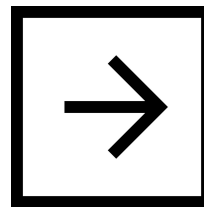
- Mr. Sutherland (Head Custodian), Mr. Lewis (Day Time Custodian) and Mr. Lado (Night Time Custodian) have been working very hard over the summer to make sure we are ready for a safe return. The school looks beautiful!
- Mr. Sutherland and Mr. Lewis have an increased cleaning schedule which includes frequent cleaning of door knobs, faucet handles, electronic devices, washrooms, etc.
- All classrooms will have sanitizer and cleaning supplies as well.



PBIS Expectations

Be Safe
Be Respectful
Be Cooperative

- Lord Selkirk School will continue to use PBIS model school wide. Staff and students will follow common area expectations (i.e. hallways, playground, office) with updates due to COVID-19.
- New to PBIS
 - Arrows on the floor spaced six feet apart. Continue to stay to the right in the hallways and follow the arrows.
 - Floor decals indicating “wait zones” - Please wait here.
- Walking in the hallways will be limited. Travel in the hallways will be coordinated to keep students in their cohorts.



What happens if my child becomes ill at school?



- If a student develops symptoms at school they must go home immediately for the safety of others
- If ill, the student will be removed from their classroom, given a mask, and will be isolated in a separate room while being monitored by a staff member.
- You will be called to pick up your child immediately.
- Once you, or designate, arrive, phone the school at **204-667-8495** and a staff member will walk your child out to meet you.
- If there is a COVID-19 positive case connected to Lord Selkirk School, we will follow the guidance and direction of Manitoba Public Health Authorities.

Dismissal

Main Playground Doors

Rooms - 4, 7, 8, 15, 17, 35

South Playground Doors

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Nursery/Kindergarten Door (front, west door)

Rooms - 1, 2

Parents/Caregivers please ensure you are practicing social distancing while waiting for your child/children outside.

- Parents/Caregivers are asked to meet students outside of their designated doors.
 - Grade 1-6 - Playground doors
 - Nursery/Kindergarten - NK doors (front of school)
- Cohorts will be dismissed in a staggered manner, with teachers leading students directly outside.
- Nursery/Kindergarten and primary students will be closely monitored and handed off outside.
- Older siblings responsible for younger siblings will meet outside on the playground.
- All Nursery/Kindergarten students must be picked up by an adult.
- Support staff will be available at the doors for assistance.

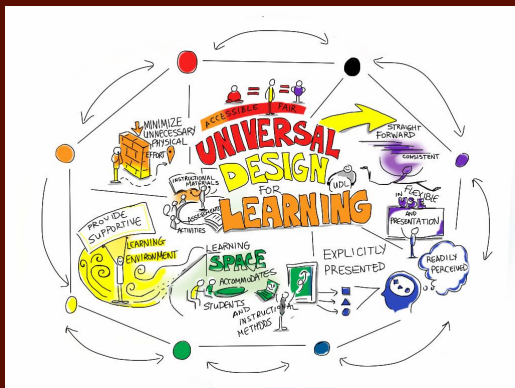


Will the classrooms look different?

- Classrooms will largely look the same. Some logistical changes are necessary to keep everyone safe.
- Maintain social distance with seating at least 1 meter apart
- Reduction of furniture in classrooms
- Limiting shared resources. Students will have individual supplies to use. Communal supplies will be sanitized (i.e. technology)



Learning:



- Teachers will utilize WSD assessment tools, observations, and professional judgement to determine strengths, challenges, and next steps in student learning.
- Targeted instruction will be crafted to meet the learning needs of your child/children.
- The primary learning focus will be on literacy, mathematics, and student well-being/mental health.

Additional Supports

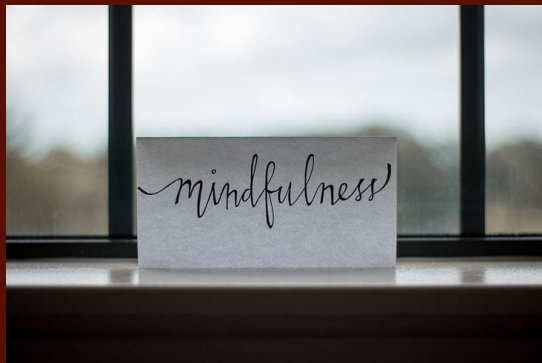
- Reading Recovery for Grade 1 students
- Half-time Literacy Support teacher
- Half-time Primary Resource teacher
- Literacy/Numeracy Support teacher
- Primary and Intermediate Inclusion Support Teachers

Using the Outdoors:

- As a Roots and Shoots school, with a focus on Education for Sustainable Development, we value and encourage outdoor learning experiences for all students.
- Teachers will be taking students outside for lessons throughout the day (fall, winter, spring and summer)
- Please ensure your child is dressed for the weather, including a hat and water bottle.



Student Mental Health/Well Being



- Student Mental well-being will be talked about and monitored as students return to school.
- School staff have been trained on Zones of Regulation and Trauma-Informed practices and will continue to build their knowledge and skills in these areas.
- Lord Selkirk School will continue to focus on teaching students mindfulness practices.
- Ms. Almeida, our school guidance counselor will be available to support students. Please feel free to contact her by calling the school, email calmeida@wsd1.org and/or visiting her virtual counselor's page.
<https://www.winnipegssd.ca/schools/LordSelkirk/Programs/guidance/Pages/default.aspx>
- Lord Selkirk School will continue to be supported by Clinical Support Services (Psychology, Social Work, Speech and Language, and Literacy).

Communication

Details and plans for school can change, and will depend on the most current recommendations from the Province and the Winnipeg School Division, to address the COVID-19 situation.

Lord Selkirk School uses many forms of communication to connect with parents/caregivers and to provide information during the school year. Working together will help to ensure as smooth a reopening as possible. If at any time you have any questions or concerns, please call or email.

- Visit the Lord Selkirk School Website <https://www.winnipegssd.ca/schools/LordSelkirk/Pages/default.aspx>
- Monthly Newsletter
- School Messenger - school information will be sent to all families with a registered email
- See Saw
- Follow us on Twitter [@LordSelkirkWSD](#)
- Contact the school office by calling 204-667-8495 or by email lordselkirk@wsd1.org
- Email staff directly
- If you would like to meet with school staff, please call or email to set up an appointment time

Staff Contact List

Classroom Teachers

Nursery and Kindergarten	Room 1	Michael Katopodis	mkatopodis@wsd1.org
Full Day Kindergarten	Room 2	Danika Romaniw	dromaniw@wsd1.org
Grade 1	Room 4	Amy Mulvenna	amulvenna@wsd1.org
Grade 1	Room 8	Joan Gonzales	jgonzales@wsd1.org
Grade 2	Room 7	Lori Maksymetz	lmaksymetz@wsd1.org
Grade 2	Room 17	Janis Stern	jstern@wsd1.org
Grade 2/3	Room 15	Colleen Tien	ctien@wsd1.org

Grade 3	Room 36	Quincy Gardiner	qgardiner@wsd1.org
Grade 3/4	Room 35	Duncan Telford	dtelford@wsd1.org
Grade 4	Room 40	Kaila Ladouceur	kladouceur@wsd1.org
Grade 4/5	Room 27	Meera Balkaran	mbalkaran@wsd1.org
Grade 5	Room 25	Dexter Frank	dfrank@wsd1.org
Grade 5/6	Room 32	Amandeep Viria	aviria@wsd1.org
Grade 6	Room 30	Raisa Hasanally	rhasanally@wsd1.org

Staff Contact List

Support Teachers

Physical Education	Gym	Jon Gurniak	jgurniak@wsd1.org
Arts Days 1, 3, 5	Arts Room	Katie Hurst	khurst@wsd1.org
Arts & Literacy Support	Arts Room & Library	Charlotte Cook-Dowsett	cdowsett@wsd1.org
Numeracy & Literacy Support	Room 31	Dillon McMahon	dmcMahon@wsd1.org
Reading Recovery & Resource	Room 10	Shawn Kozarchuk	skozarchuk@wsd1.org

Guidance	Room 33	Cristina Almeida	calmeida@wsd1.org
Primary Inclusion Resource	Room 3	Maria Russo	mrusso@wsd1.org
Intermediate Inclusion Resource	Conference Room C	Pat Atkinson	patkinson@wsd1.org

Community Support Worker

Community Support Worker	Room 28	Mandi Jacobson	majacobson@wsd1.org
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Helpful Links/Resources

Link to WSD Pandemic Planning:

<https://www.winnipegssd.ca/Parents/PandemicPlanning/Pages/default.aspx>

Link to WSD Pandemic Planning Framework:

<https://www.winnipegssd.ca/Parents/PandemicPlanning/Documents/WSD%20Framework%20for%20School%20Planning%20during%20pandemic%20WEB.pdf>

Homeschooling Information:

<https://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/k12/schools/ind/homeschool/index.html>

Return to School Information for Parents/Guardians

https://manitoba.ca/asset_library/en/covid/k-12-reopeningplan-guideforparents.pdf

Parent/Guardian FAQs

https://www.winnipegssd.ca/Parents/PandemicPlanning/Documents/parent_guardian_faq.pdf

Restoring Safe Schools

https://manitoba.ca/asset_library/en/covid/k-12-reopeningplan-guidance.pdf



Closing:

In closing, we want to say how excited we are to see our students and Lord Selkirk School families. We realize that these restrictions, while not what we are used to are here to best protect everyone and keep everyone safe. Lord Selkirk School will continue to be a place where students flourish and experience success.

We wish everyone a safe and exciting year of learning!

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