



*St. Boniface School ...making a world of difference*

## *News from the Principal*

October 29, 2020

Hello St. Boniface Families!

**Thank you** to all who have signed up for **FALL PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES!** We had a successful afternoon yesterday and will continue conferencing this evening. If you did not get an opportunity to sign up, please know that teachers/administrators are always available to answer any questions you may have. Keeping those lines of communication open are so important!

The quarter ends today and report cards will be sent home in next week's Thursday folder (November 5). We will unfortunately not be able to conduct our typical awards assembly, but we do still want to reward our students for working hard and putting forth good effort! Each grade level will have their own small ceremony and pass out certificates to their students.

Remember there is **NO SCHOOL** tomorrow, **Friday, October 30**. This is our conference follow up date and is an **OFF** day for all.

**School photos** are coming home in today's Thursday Folder. If you are not happy with your child's photo and would like a re-take, or if you missed the first session, our **photo re-take day is Thursday, November 5**. Those remote learners returning for face to face instruction will have their photos taken that day (picture envelopes will be given out next week). Learners who are staying remote for 2nd quarter, should have received a link yesterday to a Sign-Up Genius for a picture time. If you did not receive the link, please let us know.

**ED CHOICE CHECKS** are in!! We need you to sign them. We will try to catch you at pick up or drop off so you do not need to make an extra trip into school. If your child rides the bus or is a remote learner, we will need you to come to the office to sign your check. The sooner we can get all of these signed the better!!

**COVID UPDATE** - I am happy to say that up to this point we have had ZERO cases here at school to report, both students and staff. We have had just a couple students who have had to quarantine, due to exposure, but have stayed healthy and have returned to school with no problems whatsoever. I was in a big principal meeting last week with doctors from Children's Hospital. Their consensus was that "schools are the safest place to be." While we have seen numbers going up in our county, exposure at schools is EXTREMELY low. Schools are not the "super spreader" that everyone feared they might be. With the threat of our county "going to purple" it brings up some fear and question about whether we will stay in school. The governor made it clear in his last press conference that "purple" does not mean mandatory shut down, but a heightened sense of awareness. We will continue to monitor the data, the facts, and what the experts have to say. Six months ago, we believed a rise to "purple" would be cause for immediate shut down. That is not the case now that we have more data about the spread in schools (or lack of spread). We will continue to do everything we possibly can here at school to keep everyone safe. We trust that you will also follow those safety protocols at home! Avoid large gatherings and wear your masks!!

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**Remote Learners** who are choosing to come back 2nd quarter will return this coming Monday. Please review the drop off and dismissal procedures included again in this week's folder. Remember - all car riders must be dropped off in the back lot before school, so temperatures can be taken.

**FALL BACK** - don't forget to change your clocks this weekend! The time changes Saturday night into Sunday morning. We fall back one hour!

**HAVE A FUN AND SAFE HALLOWEEN!!**

**Coming Events:**

**Tuesdays:** Big Brothers (3:00)

**Thursday, October 29**

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**Friday, October 30**

**Monday, November 2**

**Thursday, November 5**

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**Wednesdays:** Band (after school)

**Parent-Teacher Conferences** - virtual/phone conferences, 3:00-8:00 PM

**Last Day of the 1st Quarter**

**NO SCHOOL** - conference follow up date

**Remote Learners return for 2nd quarter** (if they choose)

**Report Cards go home**

**Picture Re-take Day and Pictures for Remote Learners**

**Thursdays:** Big Sisters (3:00)



Best wishes,  
*Angie Heisel*  
principal