

January 31st, 2022

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

This Monday we will begin our Mindfulness Mondays at Holy Spirit CES. To celebrate our first Mindfulness Monday all students are invited to wear their sweater or t-shirt inside out to school. This reminds us that it's what's on the inside that counts and that our feelings are important. I'd like to thank our Mental Health and Wellness Committee for organizing this event. Secondly, this Friday will be a PA Day, there is no school for students. Please take an opportunity to review the information below for our upcoming week at Holy Spirit CES.

Hot Lunch Reminder

Please ensure that your Hot Lunch orders are placed in the Munch-A-Lunch system by 11:00 pm this evening. For families who are paying by cheque, please ensure that your cheque is sent in with your child tomorrow Monday, January 31st, 2022. Late orders will not be accepted. Thank you for your support of our program.

Bell Let's Talk Day

This past Wednesday was Bell Let's Talk Day. We discussed mental health strategies during our morning announcements and classes participated in activities throughout the week.

Update Regarding Temporary Remote Learning

Kindly note that the last day for Temporary Remote will be Friday, February 18th, 2022. Temporary remote students are expected back into their classrooms at Holy Spirit CES on or before **Tuesday**, **February 22nd**, **2022**.

Absences for In-Person Learners

If your child is an in-person learner and is ill, we kindly ask that you use the Safe Arrival System to report the absence. For the period of Temporary Remote Learning, in-person learners who are ill or absent (isolating) due to the Provincial Screening will access their Google Classroom for work on the first day of their illness. Upon the second day of their absence, they will be able to receive synchronous instruction.

Kiss and Ride Reminders

School begins at 8:25 am. With the winter weather upon us, please ensure that you are driving carefully and leaving plenty of time to drop off students in the morning. A gentle reminder that if you are using the Kiss and Ride please do not drop off students in-between cars or double park. We

also ask that you do not idle or park in the Kiss and Ride as this can create congestion and unsafe conditions for students. Thank you for your cooperation.

Daily Screening Confirmation Reminder

This is a friendly reminder to complete the Daily Screening Confirmation Form that indicates your completion of the Provincial <u>Child Care Screener</u>

Based on symptoms, if the screening tool advises your child must isolate, please note that all household members of a symptomatic person, regardless of vaccination status, should stay at home for the same length of time the symptomatic person is isolating. Please refer to the screening tool for instructions or refer to <u>ontario.ca/exposed</u> for more information.

If your child has symptoms, but the screening tool does not advise self-isolation, they should remain at home until their symptoms are improving for at least 24 hours (or 48 hours if gastrointestinal symptoms). Your household members do not need to self-isolate.

Yours in Catholic Education,

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