

École Lakeview School

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Newsletter #1

Administrators' Message:

Dear Parents.

We are pleased to share our school reopening plan with you in this newsletter. We have worked together as a team to make a plan that will see our school look very different this fall. Our plan is created around 3 pillars: limiting contact, practicing proper hygiene and maximizing our time outside. And of course we will.... Work Hard, Be Nice.

We want to maximize our time outside because we know being outside helps us social distance and is good for our physical and mental well-being (and we have a great park!). PE will be outside as often as possible so please come dressed to be outside every day, no matter the conditions. Also, our teachers will be aiming to spend time outside learning in the morning and in the afternoon.

Throughout this newsletter you will find information about the changes that will take place at our school and more information related to reducing contact, maximizing our time outside and proper hygiene. Along with the information found here, we will be hosting a virtual Question and Answer Parent Night on Thursday, August 27th at 7:00 pm. The link will be sent out again separately in case people miss it in the newsletter. You will also receive a phone call next week from one of our staff indicating the days of your staggered start and your child's teacher. We will also be phoning families who have not confirmed their registration

this week. During the phone calls, please feel free to ask any questions you may have about returning to school. Also, if you have questions, please do not wait for us to phone, contact us at the school (lakeviewschool@spsd.sk.ca or 306-683-7330). We hope this newsletter provides the information you need around starting school.

Please refer to the <u>Parent and Caregiver Reopening Handbook</u> for general information on Saskatoon Public Schools reopening plan. This parent handbook provides detailed information on many important topics including:

- ♦ Safety Precautions
- ♦ Curriculum and Assessment
- ♦ Support Services
- ♦ Food and nutrition programs
- ♦ Facilities
- ♦ Students

The guidelines of the Parent Handbook will be adhered to by our school along with elements specific to our school.

Shalene Herron Principal/Directrice

Jacqueline Gerroir Vice Principal/Directrice

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Principal: Ms. Shalene Herron

Superintendent: Mr. Mitch Kachur

Vice Principal: Mme Jacqueline Gerroir

Trustee: Ms. Charmaine Bellamy

Bell Times

8:50 A.M. First Bell
8:55 A.M. Classes Begin
10:40 A.M.-10:55 A.M. Recess
11:45 A.M.-12:35 P.M. Lunch
2:15 P.M.- 2:30 P.M. Recess
3:20 P.M. Dismissal

FIRST STUDENT BUS

During severe weather call: 306-343-3300 for up-to-date information on the First bus schedule.

ATTENDANCE

Please call 1-833-284-2719 or use the School Messenger App to report your child(ren)'s absence.

Our Reopening Plan

The following information represents our school specific plan for a safe return to school at École Lakeview School. Please note that the plan is subject to change at any time based on direction from Saskatchewan's Chief Medical Health Officer. Changes will be communicated as they occur.

Start of the Day

Please help your children to arrive as close to the bell time as possible. Supervision starts 15 minutes before school. We encourage students to walk, bike or roll to school if possible. It really does feel good. If you are driving your child(ren) to school, please remember that parking is limited, our staff parking lot is at capacity, and buses need to park in front of our building. Please consider having a short walk with your child(ren) to minimize traffic congestion in front of our school. We ask that students initially wait if someone is locking their bike until they are done and then move closer and lock their own bike.

When students arrive, they will keep their belongings with them and go to their teacher's assigned pick up spot (muster point) in the park. Students are asked to remain outside until their teachers take them inside. When the first bell goes, teachers will arrive to meet their students. Classes will make plans to work outside or utilize hand sanitizer and stagger their entrance into the school. This year students will be using all entrances and exits to maximize flow and minimize contact. There will be a limited number of classes using each of our doors.

Bus Students

Students will unload/load buses in the front of the school as always. Students will proceed to the back of the school to their area.

Grouping Students

In our efforts to minimize contact, classes will be grouped in pairs. These classes will be the only other contact children will have outside of their own class. All contact with partner classes will be outside.

Assigned Doors

Front Doors – Kindergarten, Mme Bell/Mme Brule and Mme Schubert/Mme Branstetter's classes will use the front doors for all exiting and entering of the school.

Back Boot Room – Ms. Matiko/Mrs. Senger, Ms. Lyons/Mrs. Soroski-Olfert and Mme Hamilton/M. Verma's classes will use the back boot room for all exiting and entering of the school.

Portable Doors – Mrs. Robinson/Ms. Hanke and Mme Stewart/M. Lalonde's classes will use the portable doors for all entering and exiting of the school.

End of Portable Doors – Mr. Catton/Ms. Hogg and Mme Orr/Mme Brown's classes will use these doors for all exiting and entering of the school.

Inside our school we have created zones with designated bottle fillers, bathrooms and exit/entrances.

Recess – only 2 classes will be in any one play zone outside at one time – these pairs will always be the same (classes will rotate through play zones to ensure that they get access to different parts of the playground).

(Zurevinsky/Gerein, Bell/Brûlé, Schubert/Branstetter, Matiko/Senger, Soroski/Lyons, Verma/Hamilton, Robinson/Hanke, Stewart/Lalonde, Orr/Brown and Catton/Hogg)

Kindergarten – will have their recess at a **separate** time from the main part of the school and they will play on the Kindergarten/Gr 1 play structure. All Kindergartens will wear colored pinnies for the first few weeks when they are outside for easy identification.

Grades 7/8 – as the oldest students in the school, they will be "a school within a school" in so many ways and we are looking forward to creating a wonderful year for them. They will also have a **separate** recess time from the main part of the school. This will allow the 7/8's to have access to the new playground/large structure.

Grades 1-6

At this point, we are still determining our overall numbers which will dictate the number of homeroom classes we will have. These numbers will also determine if we have enough zones on our playground to have one recess or we will need a staggered recess. All students will hand sanitize before and after all recesses.

Recess Equipment

We strongly encourage students and families to talk about recess and make a plan. We will be encouraging individual activities like skipping, hop scotch, hackey sack, yoyo, and lemon twist. An activity where the equipment belongs to the student and they do not share. We will encourage students to use the play structure with their partner class as children across the city have been done all summer.

Finally, we will allow students to play kick ball, catch and shoot baskets.

All students will use hand sanitizer before and after recess and they will only be with their partner class in their assigned play zone. If students share a ball in the above situation, the ball will be cleaned before and after by the students.

Physical Education

We are planning to have PE outside as often as possible. Please ensure that students come dressed to be active outside every day. Comfortable clothing suitable for the weather and closed toes footwear are strongly recommended. (There will be no access to the change rooms at this time). We encourage our older students to bring deodorant.

Band

Band is on pause for now, please refrain from renting an instrument until further notice.

Library

We are still waiting on government guidelines.

Earth Rangers

For now, our Earth Rangers will be on hold.

Lunch

We would like to encourage any students who have the ability to eat at home to eat at home. If your child(ren) live in the Lakeview area and are 12 or older, we hope you make a plan to go home for lunch. We would ask that your child (ren) return just before the bell.

We would ask those students who need to eat at school to bring a lunch that is easy to access (child can open everything independently) and remind you that this year you will need to take your waste/containers home. We will be eating at our desk in our classrooms. We will be sanitizing our hands before and after eating and recycling we will clean our desks before and after eating. Please remind your child not to share food and to remember to stay in their desk during lunch.

At this time there is no milk program. We will keep you posted if this changes.

Lunch Break will be Staggered

Half of our classes will eat lunch during the first half of our scheduled lunch time and then go outside to play. The other half will go outside for the first half and play and then eat the second half. This will greatly reduce the number of students who are outside and help us to stay with our partner class and in our play zones. We will follow a schedule that will likely be weekly so that each child has the opportunity to eat first and play first. We will communicate this schedule to parents and students. See maps on later pages.

End of Day

Our students will use their designated exit and go to their muster point outside with their teacher to either meet their parents, meet their sibling and/or go home or catch the bus.

Phones

Students will be required to use the classroom phone if needed. The office phone has been removed. In the classroom, a cleaning procedure can be maintained. Our cell phone policy will remain the same this year. It will be communicated in our next newsletter before students start school.



Lockers

Our teachers will be teaching our students new routines and procedures for accessing their lockers. This will look different for each age group and each class (some have lockers inside the classroom and some have lockers outside their classroom). To give our teachers time to teach the new routines and procedures, we ask that you limit what your child brings to school on a daily basis. For the first few weeks after supplies are brought. Please send child with water bottle, lunch (if required), sweater/jacket and possibly an individual piece of equipment for recess (ie. skipping rope).

Isolation Room (terrible term but consistent with government plan) – We will change this!

We have moved our leather couch from outside the library to a room close to the office. Students will wait there until caregivers are able to come pick them up. Our procedure - Student and teacher will communicate with each other about symptoms and feeling unwell, the teacher will phone caregivers and let the office know and someone will ensure that the student is led to the room to wait for pick up. Thank you so much for creating a plan so that your child can be picked up when they are not feeling well.

Physical Distancing

In the Government of Saskatchewan's Primary and Secondary Educational Institution Guidelines, schools are not required to meet a specific physical distance between individuals. With students—especially young children—maintaining physical distance is challenging. Instead, the focus will be on limiting physical contact. In order to limit student contact, our teachers will be spacing out our children. However, due to the physical size of our classrooms, we would strongly encourage K-Gr 3 families to practice wearing masks.

Mask Usage

We plan to take mask breaks outside when we can social distance.

- Grade 4-12 students are required to wear masks when appropriate physical distancing cannot be maintained.
- Masks are recommended for prekindergarten to Grade 3 students.
- Staff are required to wear masks at all times when appropriate distancing cannot be maintained.
- When physical distancing is achievable, mask breaks may occur (i.e. outdoor learning).
- All students are required to wear masks while riding the bus.
- All visitors must wear masks.
- Saskatoon Public Schools will provide one reusable mask for each student. Additional disposable masks will be made available to students when needed and required.
- Students are welcome to bring their own masks.
- In some situations, wearing a mask may not be possible for a student. In these instances, **school staff members will work with parents/caregivers** to consider accommodations. More information can be found on the CDC website.
- Staff members will be provided with a reusable mask and face shield for use as needed. Staff members may also choose to use their own mask.
- More information about the proper usage of masks or face coverings is available from the <u>Public Health</u> <u>Agency of Canada.</u>

Hygiene

Hand sanitizing will involve either hand sanitizer or proper hand washing. We will be hand sanitizing every time we enter and exit the building. We will be hand sanitizing every time we leave the classroom and return. We will sanitize before and after we eat. We will clean our desk before and after we eat. We will clean computers before and after we use them. We will sanitize equipment before and after it is used. In some cases it will sit for 24 hours before being used again. We will be teaching our students to wash their hands and use hand sanitizer. Throughout the day we will use a variety of hygiene breaks.

Staggered Start – A Dress Rehearsal to Help Us Refine our Health and Safety Procedures

Grade 1-8 Staggered Start

Education and support for health and wellness will be our first priority when schools re-open. We want students to be safe, healthy and excited to return to school and we want parents and caregivers to feel an equivalent amount of comfort with the reopening. We will have a staggered start so students and staff will have an opportunity to practice new routines and procedures. Staggered starts will happen September 8-11.

You will get a phone call next week letting you know whether your family will attend Tuesday/Thursday or Wednesday/Friday. You will also be given the names of the teachers who your children need to meet in the morning and who will be their teacher. Buses will be running during staggered start.

Kindergarten Staggered Start

Kindergarten Parents will receive a phone call as well. Kindergarten students will attend one of the half days during September 8th to 11th. Kindercare will not be up and running that week. More information will be shared directly with Kindergarten parents.

Preparing for a Sick Student

Parents and caregivers need to make a plan in case their child needs to be picked up early from school due to illness. Please ensure contact information is up to date with the school.

If a Student is Sick

Please keep them home. Please do a daily health check. If your child is staying home please let us know by calling the attendance line (toll free) at 1-833-284-2719 or using the SchoolMessenger App. If a student is experiencing cold or flu-like symptoms (fever, cough, headaches, aches and pains, sore throat, chills, runny nose, loss of taste or smell, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing), they must not attend school. Parents/caregivers should contact HealthLine 811 for direction. Students will be given priority for COVID testing and results. They

Mental Health and Social-Emotional Supports

must identify as a student when calling 811 to be prioritized.

In addition to the section in the Parent and Caregiver Reopening Handbook on supporting students, we want to make sure that families are aware of that as always, students who need additional support for their well-being may receive support from the school counsellor. Parents who believe this support may be necessary can reach out to their teacher or administrator to discuss. The counsellor will work with the team to determine appropriate supports, which may include direct support and/or assisting students and families to access other services in the community.

Well-being is one of our four student goals in our school division strategic plan. Opportunities to learn about and practice well-being exist across multiple curricular areas.

Kindercare and Before and After Program

We appreciate having Mr. Williams in our building. His plan will reflect the SPSD Parent Handbook and the Lakeview plan outlined in this newsletter. He will not be running his program from September 8-11 during the staggered start but will resume September 15th. If your child(ren) attend these programs, please watch for more information from Mr. Williams.

Care Partners

These are very important to our school. At this point we will no be having any care partners to limit contact.

Assemblies

There will be no assemblies in the gym. Our first virtual assembly will be September 18th at 9:00.

Lunch Monitors

We know being a lunch monitor is such a great leadership role for our students. At this time there will be no lunch monitors to limit contact.

SLC

Our SLC will continue to bring fun and spirit to our school. Activities will be classroom driven.



Lakeview "Air High Fives" Alternative Greeting Contest

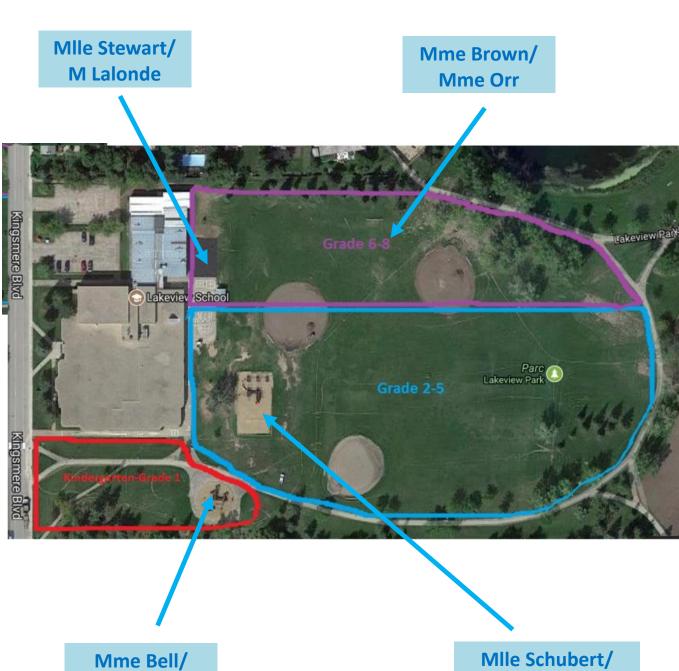
You've heard of "air high fives", well at École Lakeview School we need a touchless greeting or way to say "hi". We are looking for a new way to be happy to see each other and we want you to invent it. Please remember that we believe in respect, responsibility, cooperation and

positivity and we work hard and be nice. If you have an idea for a super creative safe greeting, please send a video to Mme Vanthuyne by September 14th to enter the contest. Her email is vanthuynen@spsd.sk.ca. Be creative and have fun!!!



Lunch Outside Group 1

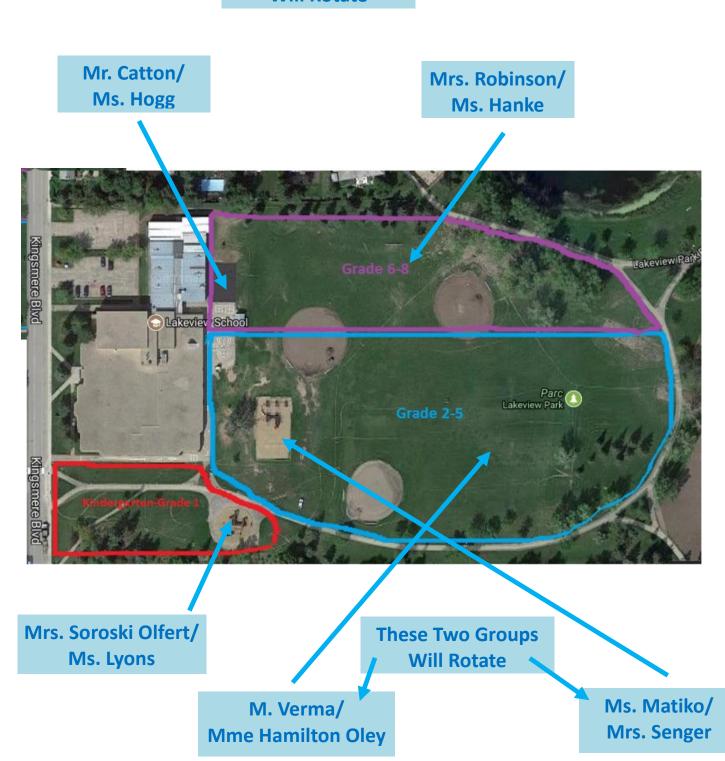
These Two Groups
Will Rotate



Mme Bell/ Mme Brûlé Mlle Schubert/
Mme Branstetter

Lunch Outside Group 2

These Two Groups
Will Rotate



VISITORS TO THE SCHOOL

At this time, visitors to the school are discouraged. This means external presenters or speakers will not be scheduled for inperson presentations. Contractors attending to the school for facilities work will be limited where possible.

All visitors attending to the school will be required to fill out a health questionnaire. The form can be filled out by using a smartphone to scan the QR code posted at the entry door of the school, which will go directly to the questionnaire site. Paper copies will be made available as needed. Visitors will be required to wear a mask and use hand sanitizer upon entering the school.

Parents/caregivers are encouraged to contact the main office to make an appointment if they need to come to the school. At this point, we request that this occur only if necessary.



ATTENTION

Parents/Caregivers and Visitors

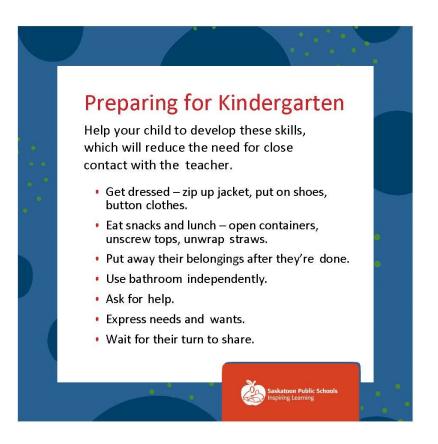
You must complete the following:

- 1 COVID-19 Questionnaire—
 scan the QR code with your
 phone's camera to access it.
 The questionnaire must be
 completed the day of
 your visit.
- 2 Put on a mask before entering the school.
- Sanitize your hands immediately upon entry.













2020-2021 School Calendar Elementary (K-8) **Updated**

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Stat Holidays
No school for students or teachers
All SPS facilities closed
STA Convention
PD/Operations (K-12 No students)
PD/Operations (K-8 No students)
PD/Operations (9-12 No students)
Student First/Last Day

August							
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday			
24	25	26	27 Virtual Question & Answer Night for Parents - 7:00 pm Click Here	28			
Virtual Kindergarten Student Introduction and Parent Meeting - 7:00 pm Click Here				STOP SCHOOL BUS			

September

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