

West St. Paul School

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Dear Parents,

Happy New Year! Welcome back to school and welcome to 2021. We hope everyone had a healthy and relaxing winter break. The winter temperatures continue to be favourable and we continue to try to get children outside for their learning as often as possible.

We return to school cautiously optimistic that Manitoba is beginning to get the COVID pandemic under control. It appears that the daily number of cases is declining. We know that vaccinations have begun for frontline emergency personnel and in personal care homes. We know that the daylight hours will begin to lengthen, and brighter days are ahead of us. Nevertheless, we know that we still have many months ahead of us of continuing to practice and use the COVID safety protocols.

When the school is alerted about a case of COVID in our school, either by a parent or public health, we immediately set to work alerting parents of children who have been close contacts. We recognize the importance of getting that information to parents as quickly as possible.

Next week, we expect to welcome our grade eight students back to school after the government mandated two weeks of remote learning. Having a month to prepare for remote learning has benefitted our grade eight students although the students (and parents) continue to express their preference to be at school.

Wednesday, January 13 is our second litterless lunch. We continue to teach children to be aware of their place in our world and the amount of garbage individuals choose to create. The school composting program continues and compost is picked up weekly and fed into the divisional Biovator located at the Service Center on Grassmere Road.

The WSP Wear Store is open today and will remain open for the next two weeks. For this year only, we are featuring the WSP Wildcat logo wearing a non-surgical mask. Even our Wildcat is practicing COVID safe protocols this year. See below for access information!

Enjoy the great weather safely!

David Ingram Tanya Kohut Administrators

<u>LITTERLESS LUNCH:</u> WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13

Help Cut Down on How Much Packaging Lands in the Trash

Consider these facts about the impact of Litterless Lunches:

- The majority of waste in a school, after paper, is lunch product packaging.
- Every year, an elementary student sends to landfills their own body weight in waste from conventionally packed school lunches.
- By taking a litterless lunch, you produce 89 per cent less waste when you avoid single-use, disposable containers and bags.
- Litterless lunches save money; one school board calculated that a litterless lunch reduces lunch costs by \$2.75 per day, or \$550/year.
- As pre-packaged convenience foods often contain higher levels of sodium, sugar and fat, a homemade lunch is a healthier option.

Our next school Litterless Lunch is on WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13.



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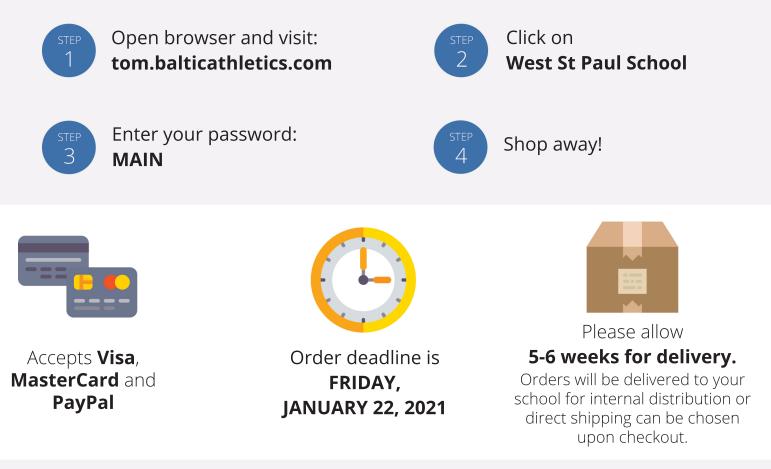






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