



# Joseph Teres School

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Visit the Joseph Teres School Web Site at:

[www.jt.retsd.mb.ca](http://www.jt.retsd.mb.ca)

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## A Message from Mrs. Kostecki

Welcome back to all of our Joseph Teres School families. I have enjoyed hearing about all of your great summer adventures! Fall is definitely underway with leaves on the ground and much cooler temperatures. I would like to thank all of our families that took the time to view our Welcome Back to School powerpoint. I hope you were able to get a sense of your child's classroom, routines and our overall school community. I am looking forward to working with you throughout the school year. I would like to extend a special welcome to the new students and families who have moved into our school community recently.

Many of our Teachers have sent home classroom newsletters or calendars during the month of September. Please watch for this important information about your child's classroom learning experiences and programming.

As you know, many elements of our school day have been rethought and redesigned in order to meet divisional and provincial guidelines. We truly appreciate all of your patience and understanding as we settle into our new routines. We also want to acknowledge your cooperation as we make adjustments when we are directed to do so or when we can make things more efficient and smooth for students, staff and families. We are committed to making Joseph Teres as safe as possible by following all guidelines and protocols for school.

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Please review the Joseph Teres School—Welcome back Information that is posted on our website ([www.jt.retsdb.ca](http://www.jt.retsdb.ca)). Important information for you and your child is outlined in this document.

Our school year is off to a busy and productive start. It is exciting to see students so eager to be involved in a variety of learning activities that make our school a great place. If you have any questions or concerns as the year unfolds, please do not hesitate to contact the appropriate person (Classroom Teacher, Resource Teacher, Counsellor, Principal). I believe that open, honest and respectful communication is the best way to ensure that this is the best possible school and that your child has a positive, rewarding year.

Newsletters will be published on the first Friday of October, December, February, April and June.

Our newsletter is posted on our school website

[www.jt.retsdb.ca](http://www.jt.retsdb.ca)

and an email reminder is sent to parents when it is published.



Pick up for those that ordered Old Dutch Chips through our school fundraiser will take place on October 13, 2021 in our gym.

**Please plan to pick up your order between**

**8:00 am - 10:00 am and 2:00 - 5:00 pm**

Please come to the tarmac area at the back of the school and stand beside a physically distanced pylon.

## Important Information for Kindergarten Students

If your child is not taking the school bus to school or home, please call the Transportation Department at 204-669-0202.



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## Joseph Teres School

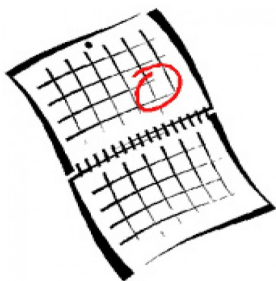
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Winnipeg, Manitoba R2C 5B8  
Phone 204-958-6860 / Fax 204-224-4749  
Principal: Mrs. S. Kostecki  
Vice Principal: Ms. P. MacDonnell

## School Times:

Entry Bell	8:50 a.m.
Recess	10:15-10:30/10:35-10:50 a.m.
Lunch Begins	11:45 a.m.
Lunch Ends	12:45 p.m.
Recess	1:40-1:55/2:00-2:15 p.m.
Dismissal	3:30 p.m.

## IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2021-2022

Oct 4	Co-ordinated Day - No Classes
Oct 5	JTPC Virtual Meeting 6:00 pm
Oct 8 - 22	JT Apparel Fundraiser
Oct 11	Thanksgiving Day - No School
Oct 13	Old Dutch Chip Pickup
Oct 22	Co-ordinated Day - No Classes
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Nov 5	Report Card Preparation - No Classes
Nov 11	Remembrance Day - No School
Nov 12	Co-ordinated Day - No Classes
Nov 15 - 21	Domino's Pizza Family Night Fundraiser
Nov 16	Ladybug K's Picture Day and Retakes
Nov 19	Report Cards Posted to Parent Portal
Nov 25 and	Virtual Student Led Conferences evening
Nov 26	Virtual Student Led Conf. am No Classes Professional Development pm No Classes
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Dec 22	Early Dismissal 2:30 - Last day of classes before Christmas Break
Dec 23 to	Christmas Break - No School
Jan 5	
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Jan 6	First day of classes after break - School



Day 4 - Caterpillar day for  
Kindergarten

Feb 4	Co-ordinated Day - No Classes
Feb 21	Louis Riel Day - No School
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Mar 4	Report Card Preparation - No Classes
Mar 7	Kindergarten Registration Begins
Mar 11	Reports Cards Posted to Parent Portal
Mar 17 and	Virtual Student Led Conferences evening
Mar 18	Virtual Student Led Conf. am No Classes Professional Development pm No Classes
Mar 25	Last Day before the break
Mar 28 to	Spring Break
Apr 1	
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Apr 4	First day of classes after break
	Day 3 - Ladybug day for Kindergarten
Apr 15	Good Friday - No School
Apr 25	Co-ordinated Day - No Classes
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May 23	Victoria Day - No School
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June 30	Last Day of School Report Cards Posted

Grade 5 Farewell and Year end Celebrations - TBA



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## Recess and Lunch Cohorts

Kindergarten Cohort	KA/KD - Mrs. Polakoff KB/KC - Ms. Kucherhan
Grade 1 Cohort	1A - Ms. Sawa 1B - Ms. Watson/Ms. Shawarsky 1C - Ms. Watchorn
Grade 2 Cohort	2A - Ms. Aquin 2B - Mrs. Freiter 2C - Mr. Kroetsch
Grade 3 Cohort	3A - Ms. Schade 3B - Mr. Sidloski 3C - Mr. Taylor
Grade 4 Cohort	4A - Ms. Deroo 4B - Ms. Natuik 4D - Ms. Schlag
Grade 5 Cohort	5C/4C - Moyer 5A - Mr. Cairns 5B - Ms. Niblett 5D - Ms. Sakundiak



### Call Backs Phone 204-958-6860

In order to minimize the calling of parents when your child/ren is ill, has an appointment or will be late it would be greatly appreciated if you would call the school anytime before 8:50 am to advise us of this.

**You can leave a message on our answering machine in the evenings, through the night or early in the morning. Messages are checked regularly during the day if the answering machine is on.**

Please inform the office of any phone number or address changes to insure our records are up to date.



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## RETSD's What Should I Do if My Child is Sick?

Students should stay home from school if they are sick, no matter how mild the symptoms. If your child comes to school with any COVID-19 symptoms, the school will immediately isolate the student and call parents to pick them up. Please see link for more information.

- [River East Transcona School Division \(retsdb.ca\)](https://www.retsd.mb.ca)

## When Can Students Return to School?

Children who are well should go to school—that means they have none of the symptoms of COVID-19. Students who have unwell siblings can stay in school, provided they are well and have no symptoms of COVID-19 themselves.



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## Voluntary Student Accident Insurance

Voluntary Student Accident Insurance forms underwritten by Old Republic Insurance Company of Canada and endorsed by Manitoba School Boards Association. All information is available online for parents wishing to purchase the insurance.

I do have a limited number of the application forms and will be sending them out to all schools to have on hand.

Information for parents about the program is on our website under parents and students/student safety. This link should be shared with parents either on your school website through a link to the divisional website and/or through your school newsletter or other means available. The link is below.

<https://www.retsd.mb.ca/ParentsandStudents/StudentSafety/Pages/default.aspx#/=>

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## RETSD's Concern Protocol

Policy KE - Concern Protocol

<https://www.retsd.mb.ca/yourretsdb/Policies/Documents/KE.pdf>

Policy KE-R Concerns and Complaints Procedures

<https://www.retsd.mb.ca/yourretsdb/Policies/Documents/KE-R.pdf>



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## RETSD's Code of Conduct

RETSD's Code of Conduct is central to the division's commitment to fostering safe, caring and inclusive schools. The code aligns it with the Code of Conduct produced by Manitoba Education and Advanced Learning.

The Code of Conduct can also be found on the division website at:

[http://www.retsd.mb.ca/Lists/Publications/code\\_conduct.pdf](http://www.retsd.mb.ca/Lists/Publications/code_conduct.pdf)



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## Patrol Update

Our patrol squads have been working hard and off to a great start helping JT students get to and from school safely.

We appreciate the kindness, thanks, and support offered to our patrols as they cross you.

**We are asking drivers for their help with the following to keep our patrols safe on post.**



This is a patrol at ease.  
You are safe to drive through  
this crossing.



This is a patrol preparing to cross  
pedestrians.  
Please wait to drive through this  
crossing.

Also, please note that our patrols are not able to cross children across Sanford Fleming Road, as there is no side walk on the opposite side of the street. Thanks for your support of our School Safety Patrols!

## Counsellor's Corner

### Welcome back!

It has been wonderful having all of our JT students back at school this fall. We sure did miss everyone! Teachers have had a strong classroom focus on connection and relationships as we start the school year. Students have been learning about strategies to support their mental health, and normalizing that we may be experiencing all kinds of different emotions about being back at school. We can feel excited, and also nervous, happy, scared, and missing our Nintendo.

I have visited each Grade 3, 4 and 5 classroom to introduce myself, share a story, and talk about how a guidance counsellor might be able to help. As a school counsellor, I am available for short-term support for many needs such as anxiety, family changes, grief and friendship challenges. I am also available to help connect families to outside agency support for longer term needs. I can be reached at the school by e-mail at [pmacdonell@retsd.mb.ca](mailto:pmacdonell@retsd.mb.ca).



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# Fire Drills, Lockdown Drills and Hold and Secure Drills

During the school year, we will have 10 Fire Drills, 2 Lockdown Drills and 2 Hold and Secure Drills in order to practice what to do in these situations. Staff have talked to students about the procedures we use during drills and the reasons for practicing these routines.

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## River East Transcona School Division TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

Curtis Basso  
Director of Transportation

2057 Camsell Avenue  
East St. Paul, Manitoba  
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Telephone: 669-0202

Edith Morissette  
Assistant Director

NOTE TO ALL PARENTS/GUARDIANS AND STUDENTS IN THE  
RIVER EAST TRANSCONA SCHOOL DIVISION

### BUS EVACUATION DRILLS

**MASKS ARE REQUIRED FOR ALL STUDENTS DURING  
BUS EVACUATIONS**

The Public Schools Act, P250-R.M. 465/88 R - Pupil Instruction, states the following:

*"The school board shall ensure that at least twice in each school year each pupil is instructed in safe school bus riding practices and participates in emergency school bus evacuation drills which shall be conducted at least once during the fall term and at least once during the spring term of each school year."*

The River East Transcona Transportation Department has an excellent safety record. In maintaining this record, we carry out Bus Evacuation programs in all of our schools in the early fall and late spring of each school year.

These practice drills are carried out so that in the event of an emergency, our students can evacuate the bus as quickly and safely as possible.

The safety of our children is of the utmost importance and must be given first consideration.

Thank you for your co-operation.



Curtis Basso  
Director of Transportation

Please note that if a student does not have a mask, a disposable one will be provided.



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## Halloween Information For Families

Our staff are already anticipating Halloween activities for students and are thinking creatively about how to keep students safe and healthy, while still enjoying the day together. We are thinking about "safety over convenience" as we celebrate Halloween on a smaller scale.

### For Friday October 29, 2021

- Teachers will be creating Fall and/or Halloween experiences and activities to be done throughout the day that include curricular connections.
- We will not be having a whole school Halloween Parade to prevent cohorts from crossing paths and to ensure we follow the guidelines from the province of reducing the number of people that gather. Students will be able to see the costumes that other students are wearing within their own classroom setting. Classroom Teachers may arrange for grade level cohorts to share their costumes during the day. Unfortunately, we are not able to have any visitors in the school at this time.
- **Please do not send any treats/goodie bags/packages for your child to share with their classmates. While we appreciate generosity, we want to limit the amount of items our students will be handling.**
- Teachers may bring in a prepackaged snack for their whole class to enjoy at school. Items will be properly wiped down and hands will be sanitized beforehand as needed before distribution occurs. Teachers will not be providing any treats/goodie bags/packages for their students to take home to limit the amount of items our students will be handling.
- Students are welcome to bring their own special snack from home for the celebrations that Teachers will be having in their classrooms. Keep in mind that we continue to be a nut free school.
- **If your child chooses to wear a costume, they must wear the costume to school for the entire day. We want to prevent moments where many students are using the washrooms for changing. If your child goes home for lunch, you may wish to have them change into their costume when at home.**
- For our Kindergartens that attend school on alternate even days, their Fall and/or Halloween experiences will occur on Thursday October 28, 2021 or Friday October 29, 2021 and will also follow the guidelines noted. Our Physical Education staff will be playing some Fall and/or Halloween games during Physical Education classes during the week leading up to Halloween.

### **Please remember the following guidelines when selecting a costume for your child:**

- Costumes must be appropriate for K-5 students within a school setting.
- Costumes and accessories cannot be violent in nature (e.g. knives, blood, swords, axes, guns, etc.). Please leave any costume props at home. Please do any necessary preparations at home (face paint or hair).
- Costumes will be worn during recess and speciality classes. Please ensure the costume is comfortable, easy to move in and will fit under a jacket.
- Costumes must not be graphic in nature (e.g. inappropriate sayings displayed that would not align with our divisional dress code).
- Costume masks cannot be worn, as students need to be recognizable and students will already be wearing masks as outlined by the province. We want students to have clear lines of vision for safety reasons.

**Please have a conversation with your child(ren) regarding new regulations for Halloween. Although it will be on a smaller scale, we are happy to still be able to offer something to commemorate this event.**



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## Reminder to Parents and Patrols

With the cold weather almost here, I would like to remind the patrols to dress accordingly. Try to be prepared for cold weather. You will be expected to patrol during these cold days.

The division cold weather policy is as follows:

**Temperature and wind chill based on info from The Forks.**

**Temperature and wind chill factor are both used to determine the times below.**

**-27° C to -34° C Time on post not to exceed 10 minutes. (Warm clothing is essential.)**

**-35° C to -40° C Time on post not to exceed 5 minutes.**

(Distances more than a five-minute walk from the school will not be patrolled.

All of our posts are within a five-minute walk to the school.)

**Below -40° C No student patrols on post.**

**When there are no patrols on post, parents are responsible for making sure that students arrive into the school safely.**

We usually have a patrol meeting once a month to talk about issues facing patrols, celebrations, patrol training, awards and treats and patrol news.

Thanks,  
Patrol Supervisors



## Allergies



As in the past, there are several students with life threatening allergies in the school. Specific information letters have been sent home with the appropriate classes. We work very hard to provide a safe environment for all students. However, we would like to ask all families to consider the following in the interest of safety:

- **Contact with even a tiny amount of an allergen can cause a severe reaction.**
- **Nuts are the most common allergen in the school (especially peanuts).**
- **Check the labels on food products that are sent to school (avoid all nut products).**
- **Do not send peanut butter or Nutella sandwiches or items outlined in your child's classroom information letter.**

Thank you for helping to keep the school safe as possible for all of our students.



### Reminder...

**Please remember to send a spoon or a fork for any snack or lunch items that your child brings to school. Our Lunch Program does not supply students with utensils.**



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## Lost and Found

The Lost and Found Bin seems to quickly gather many articles of lost clothing, mittens, hats, shoes, etc. We are encouraging all families to do their best in tagging or labeling clothing items and personal belongings with names so they can easily be returned to your child. Please also check the Lost and Found Bin if your child has misplaced an item.

## Administration of Medication

Divisional policy is that the school cannot administer any medication to students without the proper documentation on file. Please do not send any type of medication to school with your child without completing the proper forms first. If your child will need to take prescription medication at school please contact our Resource Teacher, Mrs. Lanouette.



## JT Apparel Fundraiser

We will once again be offering JT Apparel as our next fundraising initiative here at school! A portion of every purchase will go towards supporting student programming.

Our online store will be open from October 8 - 22.

Show your JT pride, feel comfy and support our school all at once!

Details are coming soon.



## Domino's Family Pizza Night Fundraiser

**NOVEMBER 15 - 21, 2021**

# FAMILY PIZZA NIGHT

**ORDER ONLINE** **DOMINOS.CA**

Help us raise FUNDS FOR OUR SCHOOL!  
Promote it to all of your friends and family -  
make it even more fun and organize and connect  
on a VIRTUAL PIZZA NIGHT!

**JOSEPH TERES SCHOOL**

Order **ONLINE** one of the specials outlined below and your school  
will receive a \$5.00 contribution for each order.

OPTION A	OR	OPTION B
<p><b>\$19.99</b></p> <p><b>2 Medium Pizzas</b> 5-Topping Each</p> <p><small>ORDER CODE: FAM1</small></p>		<p><b>\$19.99</b></p> <p><b>1 Medium 5-Topping</b> <b>Cheesy Bread &amp; 2L Pop</b></p> <p><small>ORDER CODE: FAM2</small></p>

**VALID AT ALL  
WINNIPEG LOCATIONS**

We must insist however that they not attempt to change these specials in any way when ordering  
(except to add to it). This offer is valid only on the dates specified by your school.

**Domino's  
ZERO  
CONTACT  
DELIVERY**



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# Joseph Teres School Fundraiser

Label everything with Mabel's Labels



## Help us tell the difference!

Use Mabel's Labels and support our fundraiser.



Little kids like to share everything, including germs! Labelling helps avoid mix-ups!

mabel's labels  
FUNDRAISING

Visit [campaigns.mabelslabels.com](https://campaigns.mabelslabels.com)  
to support our organization.

Buy personalized labels for your child(ren) at [campaigns.mabelslabels.com](https://campaigns.mabelslabels.com)  
Enter our school name in the search bar and shop away.

Joseph Teres School earns 20% from sales.

Your labels will ship directly to you for FREE!



# The Physical Educator

## The Latest in Joseph Teres P.E. Info!

Terry Fox! 4-square! Flag Football! Soccer! These are some of the exciting activities that students have been doing during class, intramurals and clubs for the month of September.

During the month of September we held our annual Terry Fox Run, where we ran throughout the Joseph Teres community to raise money for the Terry Fox Foundation.

Our fundraising goal this year was to raise \$475.00 which is \$1.00 for every student and staff member in our school.

**Great news!** We more than doubled our goal with a fundraising total of **\$1,252.25!**

Great work Joseph Teres community! A big thank you to all who donated! Every student that donated will be entered into a draw for a chance to play in our Teachers versus Students Ultimate Challenge game!

This event will be held on our Halloween Assembly on October 29, 2021



Mr. Gough, Mrs. Morrison and Mrs. Ralph

October is already looking like an exciting time of year!

Our Gr. 5 Flag Football mini season is underway during lunch recess and 4-square intramurals are wrapping up into their final week.

We will also be offering basketball intramurals for Grade 3,4 and 5 students during recess for the duration of October!



We are excited to announce that at the end of October we will have the return of our Halloween Gym!

During October 28 - 29 we will have active, fun and COVID - safe activities for students to enjoy!



### Health Tip:

Children need to be active for 60 minutes on most days of the week to maintain good health and fitness.

Activity can be accumulated throughout the day, even in blocks of time as short as 15 minutes. Get out together and walk the dog or enjoy a playground at the school or a park!



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## Music Notes



### Students, check out your class MUSIC TEAM in Teams!

You can find fun lessons and activities to do at home if you can not come to school.

You can SING AT HOME with [Home - MusicplayOnline](#)

You can PLAY RECORDER with [Home - MusicplayOnline](#)

Login as a Student and use password R718817 if prompted.

### Also, remember to check out Mrs. Klassen's Webpage!

Start at the Joseph Teres Website:

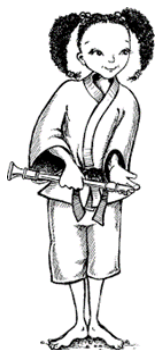
Click on **About Us**

Click on **Staff Directory**

Click on **R. Klassen - website**

Choose a fun website under **Links**.

Students can visit [Freddie the Frog website](#) and a bunch more great music websites.



Grade 4 and 5 students can link to [All Instruments - MusicplayOnline](#) to practice recorder with backup tracks.



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Principal: Ms. S. Kostecki | Vice-principal: Ms. P. MacDonell | Email: jt@retsd.mb.ca | Web: www.jt.retsd.mb.ca

October 2021

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Your son/daughter's safety is very important to us. We have policies and procedures in place at both the divisional and school level to support their safety. In the past, our school division has worked with the Winnipeg Police Service, (as well as referencing materials from the RCMP and Manitoba Education and Advanced Learning), to review and strengthen the procedures we have in place to protect students and staff in the event of a safety threat at school. We would like to share details of these procedures with you now.

Safety procedures fall into two categories: **Hold and Secure and Lockdown.**

**Hold and Secure** will be activated if there is a *potential threat outside the school*. In these situations, the police typically contact the school and direct the school to go into Hold and Secure. When there is no longer a threat outside the school building, the police inform us that we can resume regular activities.

If our school is in Hold and Secure, the following procedures will apply:

- All exterior doors will be locked.
- NO ENTRY signs will be placed on each door.
- No one will be permitted to leave or enter the school until school administration announces that Hold and Secure is over.

**Lockdown** will be activated if there is a *potential threat inside the school building*. If the school is in Lockdown, the following procedures will apply:

- All students and staff will proceed to the nearest classroom or office.
- All doors to classrooms and offices will be locked and/or barricaded by the supervising adult.
- Students will be kept away from windows and doors and instructed to remain silent and still.
- No one will be permitted to leave their room until the Lockdown is over.

**All schools in RETSD are required to hold at least two Lockdown and two Hold and Secure practice drills each school year. The purpose of the drills is to provide training for staff and students so everyone knows what to do in the event of a safety threat. Everyone in the school building will participate in these drills. Students, staff and parents will be informed in advance of these practice drills.**

If your son/daughter arrives at school during a Hold and Secure or Lockdown procedure, he or she must proceed to the school evacuation site, sign in and remain there until directed otherwise by administration or police.

**The evacuation site for your son/daughter's school is:**

**Park City West Community Centre 115 Sanford Fleming Road (if we are evacuating within the area).**

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If you arrive at the school during a Hold and Secure or Lockdown, DO NOT ATTEMPT TO ENTER THE SCHOOL. For serious situations, please proceed to the parent/guardian information site where divisional personnel will arrive as soon as possible to assist you. **The parent information site for your son/daughter's school is:**

**Westview School (600 Hoka Street)**

If you hear about a serious emergency at your son/daughter's school through media reports or other means, DO NOT PROCEED TO THE SCHOOL. Instead, proceed to the parent information site identified above.

Please DO NOT CALL YOUR SON/DAUGHTER'S CELL PHONE during an emergency, particularly in a Lockdown situation where it is critical to remain silent and still and not draw attention from any threat makers that may be in the building.

In closing, our purpose in sending this letter is to reassure you that we regularly review our divisional safety procedures to ensure that we are doing our best to maintain the safety of your son/daughter's learning environment. We do this through proactive planning and practise of emergency procedures in all of our schools.

If you would like to read more information about safety policies in RETSD, please visit [www.retsd.mb.ca/YourRETSD/Policies](http://www.retsd.mb.ca/YourRETSD/Policies) and scroll to Section E: Support Services.

If you have any questions about the procedures described above, please feel free to contact me at the school.

Sincerely,

Ms S. Kostecki  
Principal



## Parents on the Playground at Lunch Hour

As you are aware, we have many dedicated Lunch Supervisors that work hard over the lunch hour to provide safe and reliable supervision for the students in our school. In order to keep our playground as safe as possible, we are asking that parents not be on the playground during the lunch hour.

Thank you for your cooperation with this matter.



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## Joseph Teres

# Parent Council

The JTPC is made up of the following parents and positions:

- |                        |                   |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| • Tiffany Schellenberg | - Chairperson     |
| • Natalie Giesbrecht   | - Co Chair        |
| • Jen Warren           | - Secretary       |
| • Aryssa Rowe          | - Treasurer       |
| • Dylan Balzer         | - Member at Large |
| • Christy Capner       | - Member at Large |
| • Christina Luz        | - Member at Large |

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### Our Objectives Are:

- To provide an avenue of communication on topics of mutual interest to parents/guardians, the school, and the community.
- To promote family involvement with their child's education.
- To encourage families to offer their time and talents in support of school centered activities.
- To raise funds to enhance and enrich the educational experience of the students of Joseph Teres School

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### JTPC Meetings:

Tuesday October 5  
Tuesday November 2  
Tuesday December 7  
Tuesday January 11  
Tuesday February 1  
Tuesday March 1  
Tuesday April 5  
Tuesday May 3

are being held remotely on Teams  
from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm.



PAC fundraisers for the 2021 - 2022 school year will be determined in the near future.

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For more information on how you can join a virtual PAC meeting, please call the school.



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# October



Monday October 4	Day 2	Coordinated Day - No Classes for Students
Tuesday October 5	Day 3	JTPC Meeting via TEAMS 6:00 pm
October 8 - 22		JT Apparel Fundraiser
Monday October 11		Thanksgiving Day - No School
Wednesday October 13	Day 2	Old Dutch Chip Fundraiser (Pick up 8:00 - 10:00 a.m. / 2:00 - 5:00p.m. )
Friday October 22	Day 3	Coordinated Day - No Classes for Students



# November



Friday November 5	Day 1	Report Card Preparation - No Classes for Students
Thursday November 11		Remembrance Day - No School
Friday November 12	Day 5	Coordinated Day - No Classes for Students
November 15 - 21		JT Dominos Pizza Family Night Fundraiser
Tuesday November 16	Day 1	Picture Retake Day (Odd Kindergarten Picture Day)
Friday November 19	Day 4	Report Cards posted on the Parent Portal
Thursday November 25	Day 2	Evening Virtual Student Led Conference
Friday November 26	Day 3	Day Virtual Student Led Conference
		No Classes for Students all day



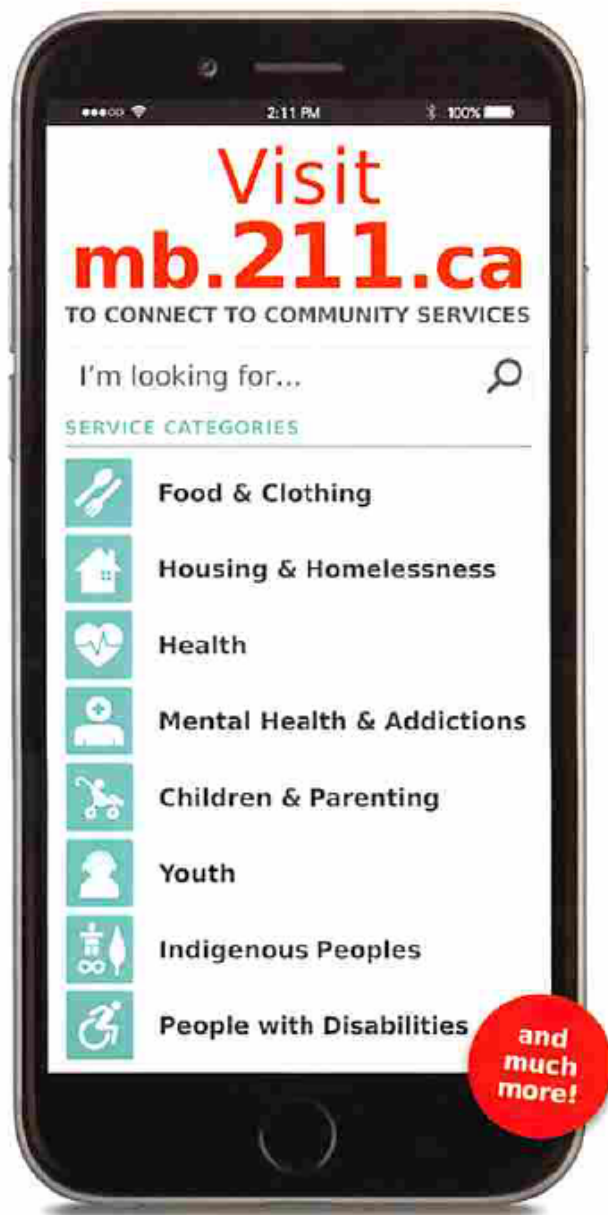
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# Community News



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Check out our new digital Community Bulletin Board to learn more about events, camps, and special offers for RETSD students and their families.

[retsd.mb.ca/community](https://retsd.mb.ca/community)

## Halloween Word Scramble

Unscramble the Halloween words and write the letters in the boxes. Use the letters in the shaded boxes to form a new word that answers the riddle.

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Q. What is a witch's favorite food?

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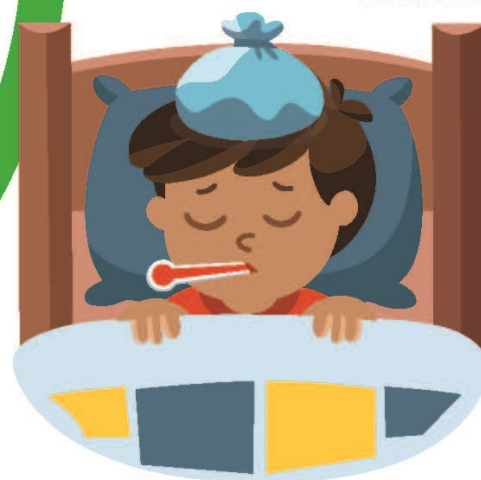


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# What Should I Do if My Child is Sick?



Students should stay home from school if they are sick, no matter how mild the symptoms. If your child comes to school with any COVID-19 symptoms, the school will immediately isolate the student and call parents to pick them up.

If students have one symptom from the Column A or two from Column B, they should immediately get tested for COVID-19.

## Column A

**Do you have a new onset, or worsening, of any ONE of the following symptoms?**

- Fever > 38°C or think you have a fever or chills
- Cough
- Sore throat/hoarse voice
- Shortness of breath/breathing difficulties
- Loss of taste or smell
- Vomiting or diarrhea for more than 24 hours

## Column B

**Do you have a new onset, or worsening, of any TWO of the following symptoms?**

- Runny nose
- Muscle aches
- Fatigue
- Conjunctivitis (pink eye)
- Headache
- Skin rash of unknown cause
- Nausea or loss of appetite
- Poor feeding (if an infant)

## When Can My Child Return to School?

If your child gets tested for COVID-19 and is:



**Negative:** They can return to school after 24 hours of being symptom-free.



**Positive:** Public Health will provide guidance regarding what is required before your child can return to school.

**If your child is sick and you decide not to get tested for COVID-19 the student must self-isolate for 10 days from symptom onset plus 24 hours of being symptom-free before returning to school.**

# When Can Students Attend School?

Children who are well should go to school—that means they have none of the symptoms of COVID-19. Students who have unwell siblings can stay in school, provided they are well and have no symptoms of COVID-19 themselves.

## **FULLY VACCINATED STUDENTS must stay home if they...**

- Are unwell or showing symptoms of COVID-19
- Are waiting for results of a COVID-19 test
- Have tested positive for COVID-19
- Have been directed by Public Health to self-isolate

## **UNVACCINATED OR PARTIALLY VACCINATED STUDENTS must stay home if they...**

- Are unwell or showing symptoms of COVID-19
- Are waiting for results of a COVID-19 test
- Have tested positive for COVID-19
- Are a close contact to a positive COVID-19 case
- Have a household member who has tested positive for COVID-19
- Have been directed by Public Health to self-isolate
- Have personally travelled outside of Manitoba in the last 14 days\*
- Have a household member who has travelled outside of Manitoba in the last 14 days and is now sick with COVID-19 symptoms

\*Unless Public Health communicates otherwise to the school principal

**Please access the COVID-19 screening tool here:**  
<https://sharedhealthmb.ca/covid19/screening-tool/>

**Questions? Call Health Links – Info Santé:**  
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