



November 2021

# John MacNeil Elementary

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The cold weather is now approaching. Please make sure that your children are dressed appropriately for the weather. Please ensure we have a valid working phone number and email so we are able to contact you when needed. Please note that teachers have up to two business days to respond to emails. Please call the main office for something requiring immediate attention.

## Reminders:

- There is **absolutely no driving or parking** for unauthorized vehicles on school grounds. Use the cul-de-sac at the end of the street to let students off and pick them up. Do not leave your car unattended.
- Children are not permitted to open doors for anyone. Anyone coming to the school must ring the bell and wait for an answer. There is restricted access for all non-essential adults to the building, this includes parents /guardians.
- Students will enter and exit through their classroom doors each day. The main office doors are for emergency or appointment entrance only. Please ensure your child is on time to limit disruptions and give your child the best opportunity to learn without missing important daily start up routines.
- **Attendance** - When your child will not be in school, call us at 902-464-2488 or email Miss Robyne at rgorman@hrce.ca. You can leave a message 24 hours a day. It is the parent's responsibility to let the school know if their child will not be attending. If we do not hear from you, we will call regarding your child's absence.
- Please do not wear **scented products** in and around the school. Many children and adults have strong reactions to the heavy scents in perfumes, deodorants, hair sprays, latex products and other cosmetic products.
- Pets are not permitted on school property. (Service Dogs permitted)
- Cell Phones - Students are not allowed to have cell phones out during class time, unless directed by their teacher or at recess and Lunch. Using them during class is disruptive. Students are not allowed to take pictures and post to social media as this is against our privacy policy. Unless they are needed for walking to and from school, cell phones should stay at home.
- **Masks** - At the present time all students must wear masks at all times inside the school. They are able to take them off when they are outside at recess and lunch and while they are eating lunch. All students have to wear masks when they are on a bus.

## Important Dates

- Nov 11 - Remembrance Day - No School
- Nov 19 - Assessment & Evaluation Day - No classes for students
- Nov 25 - PD in am/ Parent Teacher in pm - No classes for students
- Dec 22 to Jan 3 - Christmas Break