

## Thought for the Week: Bobcats can and will be unstoppable!!



**Monday September 6** - Labour Day- No School for All

**Tuesday, September 7-** Welcome back Grade 1-8!! New JK & SK have scheduled visits

**Wednesday September 8** - Spirit Wear Day- wear blue, yellow or Bobcat spirit wear

**Thursday, September 9-** All SK attend and half of the JK

**Friday, September 10-** All SK attend and the other half of the JK come.

Families should have received a phone call from their new classroom teacher. If you missed the call, do not fret, many staff will be outside at 8:15 to help you. We want to welcome each and every one of you to Christ the King. We are so proud of our amazing school and we cannot wait to see you all.

On the **first day of school**- you are welcome to bring your child to school and ensure that they connect with their classroom teacher outside. Students will look for their teacher on the blacktop. Teachers will be holding up signs with their names on them. We will have several staff members on hand to help all of the children find their teachers. Just before the 8:30 a.m. bell, students will line up with their teacher, physically distanced. Classes will be led into the school by the teachers, one class at a time. We will review line up areas, exits/entrances, flow through the building, COVID protocols and general expectations on the first day.

Parents, after the first day of school we are requesting that parents do not go onto the blacktop area. For the safety of all and to avoid congestion, please do not congrats or linger on school property. There will be pylons in the parking lot, indicating where FDK parents can wait. For parents with students in Grade 1-8, please wait in front of the baseball field. A reminder that parents are not able to park on school property.



All staff and students are required to wear masks. If your child is unable to do so, please have a conversation with Mrs MacDonald. All staff and students must self-screen every day before attending school. All staff and students who are experiencing symptoms consistent with COVID-19 as identified in the screening tool, must not attend school and should follow the guidance provided in the screening tool, which may include seeking appropriate medical attention as required, and/or getting tested for COVID-19. **All STUDENTS** must self-screen every day before attending school. [SCHOOL SCREENING LINK](#). A paper verification form of screening form will be provided to families on Tuesday. Teachers will check the screening form each morning. If it is not complete, please expect a call from the office. You will need to come to school to either complete the form or pick your child up.

### Our main Safety Protocol strategies include:

- Physical Distancing
- Hand Washing/Sanitizing (We have hand sanitizer in all classrooms and throughout the school. You may choose to send a travel size bottle of unscented sanitizer with your child.) -
- Masks (mandatory for all students in JK to Grade 8)
- Staff will review safety protocols with students. - There will be enhanced cleaning/sanitizing in the school throughout the day.
- Signage has been placed around the school to remind students of our protocols, e.g., hygiene, physical distancing and directional arrows for hallway traffic.
- Drinking fountains will not be available. Water bottle filling stations will be available.
- Classrooms are set up with students' desks facing forward and as far apart as possible.
- Classes will have scheduled washroom times in an effort to keep each cohort together and to minimize traffic in hallways. No child will be denied access if they need to use the washroom outside of their class's scheduled time.
- Students will wipe down Chromebooks before and after use.
- Students will eat lunch at their own desks. They will be responsible for cleaning their own desks before and after they eat.
- We will continue to cohort students at recess. There will be four separate zones. (FDK, Grade 1 & 2, Grade 2/ 3-4/ 5, Grade 5/ 6- 7/8)

**Recess** - We will continue to separate students on the yard by "zones" – Kindergarten, Primary, Junior and Intermediate. - Primary at one time and Junior and Intermediate at the second time. Students will be supervised, as per usual practice, and reminded to stay physically distanced. Students may be unmasked during recesses.

Students will have designated line-up spots and will be expected to physically distance themselves while walking in lines to enter and exit the building.

For **physical education**, students will not be permitted to use the change room or change into gym clothes. All students should dress for indoor and outdoor physical activity every day and keep a pair of indoor running shoes at school. We hope that school athletics programs will be able to resume this fall. We are hopeful to develop a plan to allow students to bring equipment to play on the yard. More information is coming..

**Agendas** for Grades 1-8 are set to arrive on Tuesday the 7th. We ask that you pay \$5 on Cash Online to recover a portion of the costs. Kindergarten students will be using a communication of learning system. All students will be receiving a free learning kit that has amazing materials.

**Allergy Alert & Medical Information** - Please do not send your student to school with peanuts or any scented product (including perfume, hairspray, lotion, sanitizer). We are trying to keep all of our staff and students safe. If you are new to our school or if your child has a new medical condition, please email Mrs Almanza with this information

**Lunch Program** Our lunch program will be starting up again this year! Plans are still being discussed so please stay tuned for more details. Updates will be communicated via NewsWire.

**Catholic School Advisory Council** Please stay tuned for more information about our first meeting, which will be remote. Please complete the form on School Cash Online if you are interested in joining our Catholic School Advisory Council this year. Our first meeting is scheduled for September 28 at 6pm.

**General Back to School Checklist:**

- Complete [School Cash OnLine](#) Registration
- Sign Up for [School Messenger Newswire](#)
- Check out the [School Website](#) christtheking.wcdsb.ca
- Follow us on [Twitter](#) - @CTKBobcats
- Please look over the Board's Operational Guidelines - <https://www.wcdsb.ca/operational-guidelines/>

**Please Send to School:**

- Two masks (labelled with name)
- Reusable Water Bottle (labelled with name)
- Clean indoor shoes (labelled with name)
- For students in Kindergarten and Primary grades, please have a change of clothes labelled in a bag in case of accidents.
- Smile & Positive attitude

**This is going to be an amazing year of learning, growing and loving together.**

