

Good evening,

I hope everyone is enjoying the beautiful weather. It has finally started to warm up and it should be sticking around for a while now!

We thank you for all of your patience, hard work, sweat and tears over the last several weeks. This is one of the greatest challenges we will probably ever face. Not only do we have the worries of COVID-19, but we are all facing our own obstacles amongst the greater community challenges. Some are working from home, some continue to go to work, some have been laid off, and while this is changing daily, we are also to help and support our children with all of their needs. It is tough! BSLS is striving to help provide meaningful curricular learning opportunities that provide structure and routine for you and your family. Do what works with your family and children in your home. Learning opportunities can be found everywhere! Please continue to keep all of our school community and families in your prayers.

Remote learning continues and will continue until the Pubic Health Officials deems it safe for our children and our community to return to school. It is unlikely that we will get back to the classrooms this year, but we wait for official announcements. When the Public Health Officials say it is safe to return, we will return! I know many of you have arranged to pick up items left at the school. If you have not and would like to, please contact Mrs. Madden at 204-984-9600 x5 or <u>admin@bsls.ca</u> to arrange a time. She is at the school from 9-3 daily.

Please see <u>School@Home</u> on our BSLS.ca website for available resources. There are links directly to mental health resources and other information that you may find helpful. Our <u>Childcare@Home</u> page also has a collection of daily activities for young (or old) children to enjoy. Please check it out along with our <u>Facebook</u> page!

In the next week or so, I will share a link for parents to take part in a national survey in regards to remote learning. It will be your opportunity to have a voice in forward planning. There will also be a new website launched by Manitoba Education and Training that will outline provincial direction and plans on future education in Manitoba. When these have been finalized, I will provide you with both links.

Earlier this week the MB Education and Training released the <u>K-12 Response Planning</u> for Kindergarten to Grade 12 (K-12) Learning During COVI-19 Suspension of Classes. It outlines the guiding principles, learning expectations, and roles & responsibilities. This is to be used as a *guideline* for teaching and learning.

We hope you are all staying safe and healthy. We sure miss seeing you. Have a wonderful weekend.

God Bless, Mrs. McCrea