Our students’ families and staff of SECPSD schools are doing a great job following COVID-19 safety guidelines! It has been a challenge for everyone, developing and following safety procedures in our homes, schools, and classrooms to comply with provincial guidelines.

With our latest changes we saw the addition of masks for young children, ages 3 and up, in all public places. There were some concerns that children this young would not be able to understand the need to wear masks and that they would not be able to tolerate the fabric on their faces. However, we found that they most often just looked around at everyone else wearing masks and simply carried on. There were questions that for those children working hard to build basic communication skills, masks might deter them from practicing their emerging skills. On the contrary, we found that children were more likely to speak loudly and clearly than they ever had before in order for their voices to be carried through their masks.

Children are resilient and flexible, especially when they have caring adults to help them through their days. So, thank you parents, teachers, big brothers and sisters, bus drivers, admin assistants, aunties and uncles for helping students manage our seemingly ever-changing safety guidelines. Together we are keeping our communities safe and strong.

Kudos to you SECPSD!
Nobody’s Perfect Parenting Program

Nobody’s Perfect is a program for parents of children from birth to age 5. It does not teach one “right” way to parent. It helps parents recognize their strengths and find positive ways to raise healthy, happy children. Nobody’s Perfect is free of charge. Spaces are limited to 8 families. Sessions will be held online on Tuesday afternoons from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm. February 2, 9, 16, 23, March 2, and 9. Scan the QR code to register. To scan the QR code, 1. Open the camera on your phone 2. Place over the QR code 3. A web page will pop up 4. Follow the link and fill out the application.

Welcome to Kindergarten!

Kindergarten Registration is now open! If you have a child born in 2016, they can now register for Kindergarten. Contact your school or find registration forms at www.secpsd.ca

Welcome Bags are provided to students who register and information regarding the school and classroom will be shared at that time. Your school looks forward to welcoming you!

Return to Band & Choir Programming

SECPSD values band and choir programming. Changes to the performance arts guidelines in the reopen Saskatchewan document offer options for us to offer these programs while reducing risk. We are pleased to announce a return to offering these programs for second semester starting February 1, 2021.
Register at Radville Regional School

Elementary registration is now open for new students in the 2021/2022 school year! Please contact Radville Regional School at (306) 869-2551 to enroll your child. Registration is for students who are not currently attending Radville Regional School.

One School, One Book

Spruce Ridge School families participated in a “One School, One Book” initiative this month. The initiative kicked off with a TEAMS assembly where an entertaining book trailer was shown and the upcoming activities for the month were explained. Copies of the chosen book, “The Lemonade War” by Jacqueline Davies, were given to all staff and students.

Students were encouraged to read one chapter every day at home with their parents. Each morning, a trivia question was shared on morning announcements. By providing the correct answer students were entered to win prizes. There were also weekly contests where students could compete to design a bookmark, draw a scene from the book, and answer math questions related to the book.

On January 22nd, Spruce Ridge had a school-wide competition where each student was given a juice box of lemonade and could pay as much as they wanted for it. As a school, they raised over $1500 for Telemiracle!

A highlight for staff and students was an email from the book’s author, Jacqueline Davies! She said, “I read a newspaper article this morning about the kids at your school raising money for charity after reading my book. I just wanted to send a big shout out and THANK YOU to all the good people at Spruce Ridge - the staff, faculty, and students - and tell them how happy I am to know that they’re working to make the world a kinder place to live. I know how much effort it takes to have a One School, One Book event, so hats off to everyone who made it possible.”

The initiative ended with staff and students participating in a “eat a lemon with no expression” challenge over TEAMS. The long, cold month of January seemed a whole lot better at Spruce Ridge School by focusing on literacy and having fun!