Information from the EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM 15.12.2022

Best guardians, adult students and personnel!

For your information:

The authorities have given the providers of education an assignment to inform about possible power cuts caused by electricity shortages in the whole country. Power cuts can occur at very short notice and last for a few hours. We prepare primarily for short power cuts.

INFORMATION

Kristinestad will in advance get a notification about a planned power cut, but it will probably be given with short notice. We are prepared to send you a short Wilma message before the power cut, but it is not certain that we will have time to do it. But our goal is to send the guardians a Wilma message to inform that a power cut will occur in your child's school. A possible scenario is also that the power cuts will not take place at the same time in all schools. They will probably take place at different times in different parts of the municipality. But we do not know this beforehand.

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

School activities continue normally despite possible power cuts and teaching will be organized as it is possible depending on the duration of the power cut. Schedule adjustments can be made if necessary. It is possible that the students will spend more time outdoors and that teaching moments take place outdoors during brighter parts of the day. This is of course related to the weather otherwise at the time. It is a good idea to send a thicker sweater and knitted socks with the child to school so the child can have them in school and use them if needed. If the lightning does not work, personnel can use flashlights. Candles can not be used in a larger scale because of the fire risk. Absence from school due to a power cut is equated with other absences.

MORNING AND AFTERNOON CARE

Morning and afternoon care also continues normally despite a power cut.

SCHOOL TRANSPORTS

School transports are organized normally. We recommend that students who walk or bike to school have a flashlight with them if the street lights are off.

MEAL SERVICE

Disturbances may occur in meal service, but the students are entitled to lunch despite a power cut. Eating hours may differ from the scheduled lunch times. It is even possible that the students will be served a cold lunch if it's not possible to prepare a warm lunch because of a power cut.

FAMILIES

We recommend that all parents will have a conversation with their children and tell them that there might become times when the school has no electricity. We do our best so the students will feel safe despite possible power cuts.

PRACTICAL EXERCISE

Early childhood education and all schools and kitchens will have an exercise on week 3 to prepare us for possible power cuts.

MORE INFORMATION

We will send you more information if needed when we know more about the situation.

Please contact me if you have any questions. You can't answer this Wilma message, but you can contact me by phone 040-5565733 or email maarit.soderlund@krs.fi

Sincerely, Maarit Söderlund, head of local education