

# LANGRUTH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY

June 2017



## Wellness Fair and Bike Rodeo

Langruth Elementary School held some big community events this year: pancake breakfasts, Artist in the School Performance, the whole-school Christmas Concert, Tabloid Day, Spring Festival, Winter Carnival, Bike Rodeo and Wellness Fair. The Wellness Fair, this year, was much bigger than previous years.

The Wellness Fair evening featured a bike rodeo for the students and booths that promoted local services and wellness information. Over 80 persons attended. Thanks to Teresa Wright, the Divisional Social Work Clinician, for organizing and planning this event. Parent Volunteers, Langruth PAC, Students, Division Office Staff, and Langruth School came together to make this day a huge success. Community involvement makes successes like these possible.



*Langruth Elementary Students waiting to participate in the Bike Safety Rodeo*

## Langruth Elementary Parent Advisory Council

Langruth Elementary School is very proud of the strong connection it has with the local Parent Advisory Council (PAC). The PAC is a strong supporter of the school and has contributed in many ways to our school this year. The PAC started providing the opportunity for students to have available a hot lunch (other than hotdogs) and plan to continue this monthly treat for our students. The PAC did a big fundraiser in the past to put in the new playground equipment and hope to add to the equipment this summer! In addition to fundraising, the PAC has helped at many of our functions: organized hamburgers for the Valentine's Day Skating Party, contributed money to help pay for end of the year class trips, organized hot meals and hot dog days, helped out at the Winter Festival and at the Wellness Fair. Thanks to all the parents and the PAC for doing so much for our small school.

The PAC would like to remind parents that they are always looking for new parents to join and help out at events. Come to a meeting and see what's happening.

## Literacy is Key at Langruth Elementary School

This year, Langruth Elementary School piloted our version of a Literacy Program that has seen gains for all students in our school. Twice per six-day cycle, students met with a literacy group to work on improving Reading and Writing Skills with a mixture of activities: meeting with a teacher, working with an Educational Assistant, buddy reading, independent tasks, and computer-based learning activities specifically designed at their level.

With this new approach, regular classroom instruction, and all the other strategies that our school uses, it is not surprising that recent testing shows that LES students have improved in the area of literacy. Dedication of all LES staff, hard work of our students, help from our families, and the support of our community have been at the center of student learning.

Literacy Intervention at an early level helps our students overcome some of the problems that they have with literacy. Through programs like guided reading, Daily Five, Lexia Core 5, Lexia Strategies, and Speech and Articulation Programming, we guide our students to develop into better readers, speakers and writers. We encourage our students to participate in several activities such as Preschool Parties, Buddy Reading, book fairs, *I Love to Read Month*, SHARP, Totally Unique Speaking Club, Scholastics Book Club, and the Gladstone Speech Festival. In addition to our efforts, it is important that children practice developing strategies by reading at home.

## What's Going On At Langruth Elementary?

*Social Awareness, Academics, Community, Sports, The Arts, and More*

Recycling Program	Breakfast Program	Classroom Year-End Field Trips
Skills Coaching Program	Preschool Parties	Scholastic Book Orders
Terry Fox Run	Family and School Dances	Soccer (Hosted by LES)
Legion Contests	Movie Nights	Cross Country
Festivals: Speech Arts, Music, Vocal, and Piano	Christmas Dinner	Volleyball
Remembrance Day Service	Tree Lighting	Basketball
Science Fair	Book Fair	Curling
Student Led Conferences	Student Council	Skating
Jump Rope for Heart	Hot Food Days	Badminton
Artist in the School	Spirit Week	Track and Field
Christmas Concert	Awards Day	Tabloid Day
Band	Lexia	Winter Carnival
T.U.S.C	S.H.A.R.P	Manitoba Day Celebration
Clubs	Literacy Intervention	Middle Years Divisional Activities
French Festivals	Library Program	I Love To Read Month
	Speech and Articulation	Whole School Literacy Program

**Thanks to all of our staff and volunteers who make everything possible!**

## School Belief Statement

At the beginning of the 2016-2017 school year students, teachers, and staff members were invited to participate in reaffirming the School Belief Statement. Students were asked to think about the school belief statement and decide if it still fit our school.

Students imagined a perfect school and then made a list of positive things they would see,

hear, and feel if Langruth Elementary was perfect.

The Principal helped students organize the ideas and see if they were expressed in the School Belief Statement:

*We Believe that Langruth School should be a safe, fun place where we learn and work together with pride. To achieve this we need to be Respectful, Responsible, Safe and Positive.*

Everyone agreed that this statement reflected what we believed Langruth School should be.

This is one way that the students and staff have input into school planning. It is very important because students spend the school year practicing skills that will make their vision of a perfect school come true. They are often asked to reflect if their actions are respectful, responsible, safe and positive.

## MISSION STATEMENT

Langruth School will work with the community to challenge our students to become socially aware citizens and life-long learners.

## VISION STATEMENT

We will teach you to learn or learn to teach you.

## PINE CREEK SCHOOL DIVISION MISSION STATEMENT

Pine Creek School Division will provide a high-quality and meaningful education for all students in a safe and caring environment. We are committed to an inclusive learning environment that celebrates diversity while respecting the individuality of each student. We will empower students through challenging academic and skill-based learning to be active and responsible citizens of our world.

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### Langruth School Planning Document: A Time to Celebrate Successes

Langruth School has purposely and carefully planned for success in several key areas this past school year. The plan includes a focus in following areas: Sense of Community and School Pride, Literacy, Numeracy, and Parental and Community Involvement. One of the purposes of this community report is to highlight some of the activities and strategies that we have used to create success in these areas. It is a privilege to share a few of our exciting accomplishments with you, our Community partners.

## Assessments

In addition to regular reporting on report cards and in-house assessments that we do for learning and to track student progress, this year provincial assessments were again held in the following areas:

Grade 3 – Reading and Numeracy

Grade 7 – Mathematics and Student Engagement

Grade 8 – English Language Arts in Reading and Writing

Results were shared with parents and data was forwarded to Manitoba Education Citizenship and Youth for analysis. Schools in Pine Creek School Division again scored well above the provincial averages.

Our school also participated in the **Tell Them From Me** (TTFM) survey.

## Principal's Message

Wow! This word sums up the successes of the 2016-2017 School Year at LES, a small rural school of 50 students and 10 staff members staff. This includes 3 full-time teachers, a teaching Principal, 2 half-time skills coaches, Administrative Assistant, Caretaker, and 2 Educational Assistants. All Staff has ownership of our school planning and shares in our successes.

Schools do a lot of wonderful things and that has been the same for many years before our time and will be the same for many years after our time. Planning for success does make a huge difference. Good things often happen just because a school is doing the right thing; however, with a good school plan these results happen on purpose. Continuing to do what we already do well and constantly reviewing and searching for ways to improve makes successes seem automatic.

On a personal note, I will be leaving my position as Principal of Langruth Elementary School. I look forward to new challenges but will miss the family feeling of Langruth Elementary School. I welcome Steven Willams as the new Principal of LES and am certain that his years with the fantastic school and community will be as rewarding as my time has been. See you at the rink! Have a great summer and, as always, remember to be respectful, responsible, safe and positive!

- Mr. Tim Klein, Principal

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