

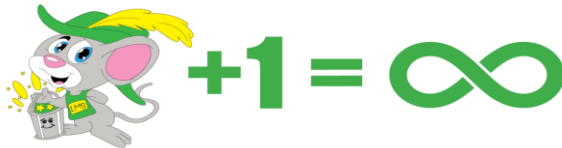
January Updates 2016

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Mission Statement



School Improvement Planning

100 % of students at Lou MacNarin School will have their progress monitored in Reading, Writing, and Math Facts to ensure that they are progressing and meeting expectations. Interventions will be put in place to support ongoing student learning.

Holiday Events

Our Christmas Concert was very well attended and students performed beautifully to an appreciative crowd. Thank you to Ms Colpitts, staff, students, and parents who worked so hard to put on the show. We would also like to thank students from Madame Roy's class for their help in getting classes organized to go on stage.



- Many thanks to all the volunteers who helped during the holiday lunches. We have some very dedicated volunteers who were able to help serve turkey dinners to all of our students. Students were very appreciative of the yummy turkey dinner. We would like to thank our cafeteria staff for preparing all of the holiday meals, our PALS, and our very generous sponsor who funded all of the lunches for our children. We appreciate Mr. Irving taking time from his busy day to visit during the K - 2 lunch.

- Thank you to all of our families who sent in food for the **Fill The Bus Food Drive**. Students and families donated many food items to help families in need. Thank you to Ms. Zwicker, for organizing the fund raising events. We collected over 1200 food items.

We would like to send out a thank you to the community members and organizations who worked so hard to help our families over the holiday. Large organizations and individuals all made important contributions to help out, from donations to the breakfast program, serving at the turkey dinners, service as a volunteer, to sponsoring families with gifts and gift cards for groceries. Every action has an important ripple effect - making our community stronger and more tightly woven.

Dates for January

January 4 - NO School for Students - Professional Learning for Staff - New Report Card Criteria, School Improvement Planning, Formative Assessments, Data updates, Non Violent Crisis Interventions, Talkability Program

January 5 - First Day for Students. ☺

January 11 -11 AM Minister Roger Melanson will be visiting our school to spend time with Grade 5 R to discuss entrepreneurship as a follow up to our students selling math games before the holiday to raise money for enrichment activities.

January 11- 6PM PSSC Meeting - Drop Off Zone Updates and Positive Learning and Working Environment Plans

January 13 6:00 Home and School Meeting in the Library.

January 15 Natural Resources Presentation to grades 4 and 5.

January 27 - Family Literacy Day - Snuggle Up with a Book - Kindergarten to Grade 2 Friends and Family are invited to read with our students in the gym, beginning at 10:45 AM - 11:15 AM

January 28 - snow date for Family Literacy Day Activities.

January 29 - Student of the Month Assembly at 12:45.

February 2 -2:30 Welcome to Kindergarten 2016 Event in the Breakfast Club



Cold and Flu Season

<http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca>

Regular hand washing is a way to help minimize your risk. By washing your hands often, you will reduce your chance of becoming infected after touching contaminated surfaces. If you get the flu, you should increase the amount of fluids you drink (water, juice, and soups) and get plenty of rest for seven to ten days. Children with flu symptoms should remain at home until they are symptom free for 24 - 48 hours. Our school works to ensure that we do our best to promote a healthy environment. In the past we have had parents treat children for common childhood conditions like lice or pinworms. We would ask you to contact the school at 856-3411 or inform your child's teacher if you treat your child for these types of conditions so that we can make sure that we are able to inform parents of classmates, and take proactive measures to reduce the risk of others being exposed. For more information on common parasites and conditions, you may visit: <http://www.cdc.gov/>

Hour of Code

Students in grades 2, 3, 4, and 5 engaged in coding activities before the holiday in the Breakfast Club. The children were working on iPads that were brought to the school for the Hour of Code activities. Teachers and students were excited to be working with technology to solve problems.

New Report Card Criteria

Teachers were working on Monday to learn about the new report card reporting practices. The new report card will replace work habits with Learning Habits.

These learning habits are:

Initiative, Organization, Independence, Interactions, and Responsibility. These learning habits will be reported with a letter grade:

- C consistently - demonstrated in all classes most of the time, 90% of the time or more often.
- U usually - demonstrated in many classes many times - more than 50% of the time.
- S sometimes - demonstrated in some classes sometimes - less than 50% of the time.
- R rarely - infrequently observed in classes - less than 10% of the time.