



Dr. A. T. Leatherbarrow Primary School
PSSC
April 9, 2013

1. Students and staff will learn and work in a safe, healthy and positive environment, supported by family, community agencies and groups.
 - Staff Appreciation Week held Feb. 11-15th
 - Friendship Week Celebrations held February 25-March 1
 - New vision and mission posters posted in every classroom
 - Lunch & Learn buddies and grade 2 students went snowshoeing 3 times
 - Water tank replaced, water testing done in March
 - Air quality retesting in kindergarten portable completed in March
 - Two new fire extinguishers placed in school in April
 - School Intervention Worker providing direct support to 24 students with behavioral challenges
 - Principal, VP, and Resource teacher attend 2 Professional Learning Days on Inclusion in February and March
 - All staff to attend Inclusion Professional Learning Day on April 19
 - All staff, students and their families invited to participate in Zumba event on May 2, as part of Hampton Wellness Challenge
 - Jump Rope for Heart School Kick off scheduled for May 7
 - Educational gymnastics unit begins for all students in Phys. Ed in April
 - New Art Enrichment group for grade 2 begins
 - Friendly Helpers continue to provide leadership and support
 - 22 Middle School Students continue as Helpers
 - Lunch and Learn groups continue
 - Friendship Groups continue daily in library at recess
 - Kindergarten Social Group continues
 - Flouride Program continues
 - Social Confidence Group continues
 - Social skills group continues
 - Volcano Club continues
 - Lego Group continues
 - Girls Group continues
 - Two Divorce Support groups continue
 - Roots of Empathy Program continues in Mrs. Bursery's classroom
 - School Breakfast Program continues to feed approximately 40 students a day
 - Safe Arrival Program continues
 - Fun Fitness Fridays continues
 - Monday Morning Boogie continues
 - Lunch Rotation continues for all teachers
 - Choir continues for grade 2 students

2. Students will demonstrate continuous improvement in literacy skills.

- All K, 1 and 2 students complete common assessments in reading and writing in March to determine reading and writing levels
- All students literacy levels recorded on E Data Wall
- All grade 2 student attend Elmhurst Outdoors Sugar Bush in March, experience used as comment assessment for Recount Writing
- Grade 1 students use healthy eating to motivate students to write about the five senses
- All grade 1 students participate in weekly Buddy Reading time
- Grade 2 Boyle has pen pals at LES
- All students are “full swing” into Daily 5
- Volunteers/interns/co-op students continue to read with children every day
- March Bookworm Award focused on Healthy Eating, and April focuses on Spring
- Block 3 of Literacy commenced on April 2. Focus is on Grade 2 & Kindergarten
- All students continue to have weekly school library time (thanks to parent volunteers)
- Grade 1 students have Procedural Writing as their writing focus for April
- Grade 2 focus on Report Writing and Reading Comprehension in April
- Grade 2 Howe is hatching chicks as a motivation for report writing
- Over \$300.00 raised from the Scholastic Book Fair
- New sets of Magic Key books from Oxford University Press purchased for Literacy students
- New netbooks ordered to support students’ writing
- Principal and VP Hosted meeting for regional Literacy Teachers on Thursday, April 4th

3. Students will demonstrate continuous improvement in numeracy skills

- Numeracy Brochures sent home to all families on February 11
- District Numeracy Lead completed school-wide numeracy assessments Feb.5-8
- Department of Education sent new numeracy posters for all classrooms
- District Technology Mentor provided in class technology PD in March to enhance student numeracy skills
- All k, 1, and 2 students completed common numeracy assessments in March to determine whether benchmarks have been met
- 4 students represented DATL at District Chess Tournament in March
- New Chess Club for novice players started in April
- MAD Science occurred twice a week for 6 weeks, serving 40 students
- Math Enrichment offered once a week at lunch to kindergarten students
- Kindergarten students are working on numbers 1-10, including concepts of more than, fewer than, as many as, numbers that come before and after, counting backwards and forward from any number, and dividing a quantity into two parts.
- Grade 1 students continue monthly “Fun Math Friday”
- Grade 2 students focus on using math strategies and addition and subtraction facts to 18

4. We will develop and enhance family and community partnerships. We will continue to improve communication with families.

- Home and School Committee meets monthly, takes on Hot Lunch responsibilities
- Family Fun Fitness Night held February 27th
- Report cards sent home
- Principal called various families to comment on report cards
- Student Led conferencing widely attended (Over 100 families participated in gym activities during student led conferences)
- During the afternoon of Student Led Conferences, all staff attend professional learning session on Family Enhancement Program offered by Social Development social workers
- Tell Them from Me Survey completed by families
- DATL partners with HALL to offer Saturday Family Preschool Program
- Grade 3 Program Information Night scheduled for April 16
- Art from the Heart scheduled for May 1
- PSSC Chair and HES Chair work together to plan Grade 2 Parent Information Night to be held on May 13
- Kindergarten Transition Day scheduled for May 31
- Newsletters and Calendars continue to be sent home in hard or electronic copy and also posted on school website
- Weekly Synervoice talk mails sent home