



Dr. A. T. Leatherbarrow Primary School
PSSC
January 15, 2013

1. Students and staff will learn and work in a safe, healthy and positive environment, supported by family, community agencies and groups.
 - All staff attend 1 Professional Learning Day on January 8th dedicated to School Improvement Planning using the Provincial Document
 - All students participate in “Wednesdays in December Enrichment Series” on Dec. 5th and Dec. 12th featuring Anne Scott, Mill Rats, District Phys.Ed Lead, Kid Sing, District Science lead, Mad Science, RCMP, Family and Community Volunteers who did yoga, baking, art, crafts, etc.
 - Saint John String Quartet performs in December for all students
 - Lunch and Learn students attend Christmas Party at HHS in December
 - All classes go skating in December
 - New mural created in front lobby in December featuring the new vision and mission statements
 - New mural created outside the gym in January showcasing active living
 - Guidance Counselor visited all classrooms to discuss bullying using new Guidance resources
 - Pink Day celebrated school wide
 - Guidance Counselor visited all classrooms to discuss safe schools and lockdown procedures using “loose deer” scenario
 - School lockdown practiced in December
 - School Intervention Worker providing direct support to 22 students with behavioral challenges
 - Social Confidence Group continues
 - Social skills group begins
 - New Volcano Club begins
 - Lego Group begins
 - Girls Group begins
 - Divorce Support Group continues, with another beginning in January
 - Friendly Helpers continue to provide leadership and support
 - 22 Middle School Students continue as Helpers on the Playground
 - Roots of Empathy Program continues in Mrs. Burse’s classroom
 - School Breakfast Program continues to feed approximately 40 students a day
 - Safe Arrival Program continues
 - Under the care of Mrs. Ricketson, 27 students are custodial helpers
 - Fun Fitness Fridays continue on a rotational basis
 - 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.

- District Literacy Lead came to meet with teacher PLCs to identify and support Literacy initiatives and goals
- Literacy Week scheduled for January 21-25th
- Bookworm Award revamped
- Literacy E Data Wall used to determine literacy intervention students
- 6 grade two students, and 30 grade one students receiving literacy intervention daily
- Literacy teacher providing in class support with a focus on procedural and recount writing to all grade one classes
- Principal met with teachers in December in relation to Professional Growth Goals directly related to SIP Literacy goals
- EYE-DA scheduled for January 14-18th for future K students
- Educational School Support Team meets bi-weekly to develop strategies and plans to support all students
- All students continue to have weekly school library time (thanks to parent volunteers)
- Many community volunteers supporting students with reading and writing
- Squirrel Hollow Post student newspaper published in December
- Santa letters published in December's Kings County Record
- Weekly Writing Enrichment group continues for grade 2 students
- New website subscription purchased to enhance writing enrichment opportunities
- Abc teach license renewed
- Scholastic Book Fair held during Parent/Teacher-\$1000.00 of new books purchased for library as a result of family support!!!

3. Students will demonstrate continuous improvement in numeracy skills

- All Teacher PLCs attended 1 Professional Learning Day on January 9th dedicated to Curriculum Math mapping and long term planning
- Math Enrichment Group for grade 1 begins January 15th
- Chess Club begins January 18th
- District Numeracy Lead participates in December Enrichment Series
- Grade 1 students continue monthly "Fun Math Friday"
- District Technology Mentor provides in class technology PD in December and January to enhance student numeracy skills

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

- Report cards sent home in November
- All teachers make calls to families prior to report cards being sent if there is an ED coming home
- Principal calls some families of students who have done well in attitude and behavior section of report card

- Parent/Teacher held on Nov. 29 and 30th
- PSSC contact information and minutes added to school website
- Principal and Vice Principal participate in Right to Information Session
- School wins Best Overall Float at Hampton Santa Claus Parade
- Welcome to Kindergarten held for new K students in December
- Christmas concert held at Hampton Baptist Church
- Home and School Association provides support for needy families at Christmas
- School Staff provides support for needy families at Christmas
- Synervoice system purchased through PSSC funds to communicate information by talk mail and email
- Monthly newsletters and calendars continue to be sent home in hard or electronic copy and also posted on school website
- Classroom teachers continue to send home weekly, biweekly and/or monthly class newsletters
- PSSC Chair meets with HES PSSC Chair to determine how to work together to help families transition from DATL to HES more easily