

Park Street School Improvement Plan

2016-2017

October 2016

Our School Vision:

Preparing children to achieve their dreams and become model citizens in a global culture. Students will learn the way the world works and how to improve it.

Our School SLOGAN: The Best Possible Place to Grow

Our School Mission:

Park Street School is dedicated to igniting children's passions and helping them overcome their challenges. Therefore Park Street staff will demonstrate an extraordinary commitment to educating the whole child through the use of best educational practices, in a world class learning environment.

Areas of Focus – Alignment Table

EECD Areas of Focus (Education Plan)	District Areas of Focus (DIP)	School Areas of Focus (SIP) (3 Year Priorities)
Improve achievement in language, mathematical and scientific literacies	Priority 1: Focus on Assessment for, as and of Learning to Improve Student Achievement All Anglophone West schools will attain higher levels of academic success.	To increase the number of students meeting with academic success in Mathematics and Writing.
2. Improve learning environments and instructional practices to ensure inclusive 21st century education	Priority 2: Enhance Positive Learning and Working Environment All Anglophone West schools will demonstrate improvements in inclusive instruction and intervention practices within a positive learning and working environment.	To have all staff reach their TEACHING & LEADERSHIP potential AND TO EMPOWER DISTRIBUTIVE LEADERSHIP
	Priority 3: Augment Shared Leadership Capacity All Anglophone West schools will build collaborative leadership capacity to enhance student success	
3. Increase opportunities for youth to develop enterprising habits and to engage in active citizenship		
4. Integrate the early childhood and k — 12 school sectors		

School Area of Focus 1: To increase the number of students meeting with academic success in Mathematics and Language.

Justification: Observations and conversations during weekly PLC team meetings indicate that students need to continue to build their skill in Mathematics and in Language – specifically in the area of writing.

Team Smart Goals & PLOP	Strategies and Actions	Responsibility	Resources	Timelines	Monitoring	Evidence of Success
Team Smart Goals & PLOP K-2 – By October 19 – all teachers to begin teaching children how to use writing rubrics and introducing them to and using exemplar pieces from the continuum daily through the end of June 2017. PLOP – (0/12) (September 2016)	1) Continue to add exemplar pieces throughout the year 2) Working within our PLC (biweekly) to learn how best to use the writing continuum. 3) Assessing demand pieces together a minimum of 3 times a year during reporting periods 4) Create mini lessons using writing traits, and creating common language across the school ongoing throughout school year 6) Work with Literacy Support co-teaching as available	Responsibility K-2 Team	Resources 1) Completed Writing Continuum (rubrics and exemplars in this) 2) Literacy Lead 3) PLC colleagues	Timelines 1) November 2016 2) January 2017 3) October 2016	Monitoring 1) PLC Weekly Meetings	Place Evidence of success or milestones here
3-5 FI PLC To provide at least 3 authentic opportunities for students in each class to use their French speaking and listening skills outside of the classroom before the end of May. PLOP: How many currently?	a) Partnering with the local French schools to plan outings and activities that will allow students to share and communicate in French b) Introduce students to elements of French, Acadian and Quebecois culture in our teaching (music, movies, etc.) c) La semaine de la fierté française (March 21st – 24th): have our classes plan and organize activities to do with	a) Josette to reach out to local French Schools b) All FI PLC members c) All FI PLC member	1. a) Funds to facilitate class outings/events with partner school b) Idéllo (website with a variety of French resourses)	October - May	1. Sharing and discussion in weekly PLC meetings	

3-5 FI PLC Goal 2 All FI teachers to integrate a speaking/listening activity with a specific intention (sentence structure, vocabulary, etc.) in their literacy block at least three times per week by December. PLOP: How many currently use this?	the English classes to help share/celebrate French culture 2. a) PLC members to share best practices for oral development in weekly PLC meetings b) Oral Guided Groups for students who are identified as needing more support in oral development c) Focus on specific vocabulary related to themes of study (health/science/social studies units)	2. a) All FI PLC members b) All FI PLC members c) All FI PLC members	2. a) Materials to facilitate classroom activities	2. a) Evidence in individual teacher lessons plans b) Monthly check-ins during PLCs		
Grade 3-5 English PLC Students will use the exemplars and rubrics from the Park Street WC to improve their writing skills (how often and by when?). PLOP: How many currently use this?	 Self-assessment using appropriate leveled writing pieces Peer assessment Feedback to each student Teachers will use common rubrics and exemplars 	3-5 PLC	Daily scheduled writing time using PSS Writing Continuum Weekly scheduled conference time with students Computers available for student use. Action Research/Support from ASD-W Literacy Teacher (maybe February)		Weekly PLC Meetings	
Administrators: To have 100% of teachers using Classroom Audio Systems by Christmas. PLOP – 42% of teachers have been observed using the current system (two observations in September)	1) Purchase new Classroom Audio Systems to ensure highest quality of resource. 2) Provide Professional Learning on the new system 3) Provide examples of Research on the effectiveness of this technology 4) Use existing systems	Rien Tracy	1) Audio Systems provided	 October 2016 November 2016 October Staff Meeting January 2017 	Weekly Walkthrough PLC Reminders Staff Meeting Reminders	1) District, Home and School and School and School support and systems ordered (Oct 7, 2016) 2) 64% of teachers observed using FM (October 14 th)

School Wide	to support additional areas in the school 1) To provide in-service to all teacher in the use of	Elizabeth Howlette	Dreambox Software	1) September 2016	Monthly PL Sessions	Some grades are already at the
To have each class reach the target of 60 mins/week and 50% students active using Dreambox Monthly by January 2017.	Dreambox 2) To provide PL Shares during PL Meeting time on how to integrate Dreambox into your daily/weekly	2) ElizabethHowlette3) Rien Meesters		2) Monthly 3) Monthly	2) Monthly Admin Meetings	target 50mins/week (October)
PLOP: (October) K 16 min and 0% Grade 1 26 min and 3% Grade 2 62 min and 12% Grade 3 56 min and 31% Grade 4 69 min and 39% Grade 5 51 min and 32% Park Avg 44min and 20%	schedule 3) To provide staff with regular updates on the use by class and active students.					

School Area of Focus 2: To have all staff reach their TEACHING & LEADERSHIP potential AND TO EMPOWER DISTRIBUTIVE LEADERSHIP

Justification: School Improvement Review data and Core Leadership Team conversations indicate a need to continue to work on having all staff reach their teaching and leadership potential.

Smart Goals & PLOP	Strategies and Actions	Responsibility	Resources	Timelines	Monitoring	Evidence of Success
All teachers will be	1) Peer Coaching/PL	1) PC Team	- Teacher forms	Oct - Planning	- Peer Coaching	•
actively involved in	Team will look at the	2) PC Team	- Release Time	Nov – Do	Team Meetings	
the Peer	pros/cons from last	3) Teachers	 Purchases as 	Jan – Check	- Administrator	
Coaching/Partnership	year and make		needed	Feb- Act	Check ins.	
Learning program by	recommendations for					
November 2016.	changes.					
	2) Teachers will partner					
PLOP - 2015-2016	for learning					
100%	opportunities based on					
	their growth goals or					
	learning needs.					
	3) Teachers will submit					
	Peer Coaching forms					
To increase the	1) Find and participate in	1) Rien	- District PL	Oct	Attendance at PL	Team of 5 staff members signed up for
number of teachers	Professional Learning		Session	Nov	Events	Leadership Training on 2 Fridays and 2
with leadership	Opportunities in			May		Saturdays between now and May 2017.
professional learning	Leadership.					
by January 2017.	2)					