

## Warren Elementary School



### Our School

182 students

15 professional staff

(including 2 resource and 1 guidance teacher)

8 support staff

2 custodians

We are a small, rural K-8 school which offers an English Language instruction academic program with basic French and music taught at each grade level.

Our 5-8 students have the opportunity to be involved in cross country running and track and field, while our 7 & 8 students are also involved in volleyball, basketball, curling, and badminton.

We try to enrich our programs by bringing in plays and guest speakers and/or having our students take part in field trips to a variety of destinations.

### 2016-2017 School Goals

#### **Goal 1: Literacy Growth**

80% of students will show a one year growth in literacy with an emphasis on non-fiction reading and writing by the end of June 2018.

Improving the literacy scores of our students was targeted as a priority. In order for this to happen, several initiatives were put in place. New books were purchased for classroom libraries, home reading carts and small group instruction through AAA grants and school budget. Teachers were supported through divisional professional development, MRLC workshops, school visits to a school which has implemented the Regie Routman philosophy of literacy instruction and lead teachers came into classrooms for demo lessons. Early Years teachers continued to use the Optimal Learning Model and Middle Years teachers have embraced common teaching practices for writing instruction. There are programs used to track the literacy progress of students including RAD, EYE and PM Benchmark. This year the school had time put into the schedule for supporting students in their literacy development and well as Reading Recovery for the at-risk students in grades one and two.

#### **Goal 2:**

100% of staff will indicate they feel they are kept informed of school activities

Positive progress has been made towards meeting this goal, however more can be done. The Outlook calendar has proven to be an easily accessible tool for staff, but all staff

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needs to use it on a consistent basis. WES News has been an successful addition to communicating events to staff, students and the greater community.

### **Goal 3: Math**

80% of students will be at a basic to good understanding of numeracy (level 2 – 3 according to provincial standards assessment)

Teachers at Warren Elementary School have attended math workshops put on by MRLC and our divisional lead teachers. Lead teachers have also come into our classrooms to teach strategies and activities that can be implemented. Our school also had a Math PLC in 2015-16 which planned middle years math activity days.

Initial assessments have been completed by all students in grade 3-8. The results of these assessments have been used to help guide instruction.

Moving forward we would like to continue working towards this goal by developing a school wide mental math strategy as well as providing initial assessments at all grades. We would also like to find a better way of gathering data to determine whether we have reached our goal or not.

### **Goal 4:**

All professional staff will receive training/refreshers in ADHS, ASD, FASD as well as URIS training to understand the special needs of students in school  
Classroom teachers of students with special needs will receive additional in-servicing

For the year 2016-2017 all staff have received professional development and training in the area of the Autism Spectrum Disorder(ASD), and the mandatory URIS (unified referral intake system) training on epipens, asthma, allergies, etc. pertinent to Warren Elementary School. Classroom Profile meetings take place twice a year to identify student needs, plan, set goals, and report on progress. We will continue to explore more areas of specific training that will benefit our student population and our response to intervention.

### **Goal 5: Restitution will be fully implemented**

Restitution has been successfully implemented at Warren Elementary and across the division. Current divisional data indicates restitution is working for all students. Students and staff have embraced the philosophy of restitution and as a result students are equipped with the tools to "fix" the problem as they arise. Students feel more empowered using the language and tools learnt through classroom work and lessons. Warren Elementary will continue to follow and implement the beliefs of restitution.