

CARMAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Prairie Rose School Division



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Community Report 2015 - 2016

Mission Statement

Carman Elementary School strives to achieve academic excellence, respect, and responsibility in a safe, caring environment with the co-operative efforts of students, staff, parents, and community.

Vision Statements can be found on our website.

Our School

CES has an enrolment of just over 340 students in grades K-6 with a professional and support staff of over 45 dedicated individuals which include:

- ❖ 23 professional staff, including Phys. Ed, Music and Resource specialists.
- ❖ The shared services of a Literacy Leader, Technology Leader, Speech/Language Pathologist, Psychologist and Social Worker.
- ❖ Support staff of Educational Assistants, Secretary, Library Technicians, Custodial Staff, and the shared services of a Computer Technician.
- Carman Elementary School (CES) welcomed two new teachers, two new Educational Assistants, and many new families over the past school year. We also welcomed three teacher candidates from the University of Manitoba and Brandon University.
- We congratulate the following teachers on their new positions:
 - Mrs. Pierrepont with Portage La Prairie School Division.
 - Mr. Coates with a permanent teaching position at Roland Elementary School.
 - Hayley Minty, from Roland Elementary, as our new grade 1 teacher.
 - Amanda Rheault, from Carman Collegiate, as our new grade 6 teacher.
 - Christan Froese as our new permanent teacher, teaching grade 2 this fall.
- Our school operates on a Balanced School Day schedule, with three 100 minute teaching blocks broken up with two nutrition and activity breaks.
- A Nursery School for 3 & 4 year olds operates out of the school. Also a Before & After School Program through Wee Care Child Centre is partnered with our school.
- We have a very active Advisory Council for School Leadership who run our milk and lunch programs and who support many programs for our children, including the incredible playground revitalization project which is nearing completion.
- Many parents and community members volunteer their time at our school.
- There is active use of our facilities by community programs with a focus on children: Taekwondo, Dance, Carman Resource Center Family Nights, Baseball, Gardening Club etc.

School Plan 2015 – 2016**Our Priorities**

- Literacy
- Numeracy
- Respect Ourselves, Others, and the Earth

Highlights for the Year

Student success is key in all that we do at Carman Elementary School. During the 2015-2016 school year, we have seen the students grow in their academics, fitness, and citizenship. We strive to develop the whole child through varied lessons and activities.

Barbara Penner, our divisional literacy leader, was an integral part of the review and expansion of our literacy programming, this year. Miss. Penner collaborated with the Administration and Student Services team to develop a plan to support literacy success at Carman Elementary. She provided professional development sessions, visited classes, worked with teachers and with students. We were very fortunate to house Miss. Penner at our school, and were always happy to have her pop into our classes!

Personal health and fitness are essential to developing strong minds and bodies. At Carman Elementary, students work toward attaining their personal best at all times. Our Physical Education Specialist, Mr. Stobbe, teaches the children to try their best and work to build on what they can already attain. Staff throughout the school can be heard asking the children to try their PB!

Building citizenship in our students through respecting ourselves, others and the world can be seen on a daily basis. Our students are extremely thoughtful, giving, and caring! In the past little while, we have had student initiated fundraisers for Cancer Care, Fort MacMurray, and the Alzheimer's Society. In collaboration with Carman Collegiate teacher, Mr. Lang, our grade 3 students have created a raised garden in the front of the school. They have connected with their pen pals (local seniors) and the community day cares and asked them to pull a weed and a vegetable this summer! There is no end to the wonderful ideas our students have when it comes to building our community and caring for others.

My first year as the Principal at Carman Elementary has been a wonderful experience for me as an educator. We have skilled teachers who truly care about not only the education of the children, but also their hearts. I hope that when you enter our school you get a sense of the warm, welcoming environment building respect and belonging which we strive to provide for our students, their families, and our staff.

Systemic Goal #1 – Literacy

Description of School Goal #1: This year in literacy, we have been striving to improve our student's literacy levels.

Specific accomplishments were as follows for 2015 – 2016:

- All teachers trained in Fountas and Pinnell Reading Assessment
- Expanded and improved guided reading programming

- Expansion of literacy library including high interest low level guided reading books, as well as numeracy based reading books
- Reading Intervention programs taking place
- Teachers reviewing writing continuums
- Strong Beginnings data used to guide instruction and program planning

Systemic Goal #2 – Numeracy

Description of School Goal #2- This year in numeracy, we have been striving to improve our student's math outcomes.

Specific accomplishments for 2015 – 2016 were as follows:

- Staff trained in PRIME
- Staff trained in Math Recovery
- Mathletics program
- Numeracy guided reading books added to literacy library
- Strong Beginnings data used to guide instruction and program planning

Systemic Goal #3 – Sustainability- Respect ourselves, others, and the earth

Description of School Goal #3- Carman Elementary students will demonstrate respect and awareness for ourselves, for each other, and the earth.

Specific accomplishments for 2015 – 2016 were as follows:

- New staff trained in Restitution/Self-Discipline training- common language used throughout the school to enhance student and staff ability to solve issues and “make it right” while maintaining dignity and strengthening our relationships
- All teachers in serviced on “We are all Treaty People” teaching/learning kit
- North playground completed. South playground nearing completion.
- Expanded community partnerships; promoting cross-age and cross-cultural awareness
- Learning about other peoples and cultures
- Sustainability projects and activities
- Welcome to Kindergarten
- Roots of Empathy

Respectfully submitted,

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