

Principal's Report

October 2019 **ENDS #1: To provide positive, safe, healthy and inclusive learning and working environments for children, youth, and staff.**

We are continuing to update staff and PSSC on PBIS and positive behavior initiatives. The Staff is preparing a connections group activity for December and we will again collect playground data on minor incidents beginning next week. The PLR room is being used for play, homework and detention and we have seen some growth in students who used the room regularly for play last year. We have also been utilizing leads (Math, Respect and Diversity and Guidance) and helping parents access the child and youth team.

ENDS #2: To demonstrate continuous improvement toward meeting provincial targets in literacy, numeracy, science (English and French Immersion) and to improve learning in and application of the arts, trades and technology. We are again collecting benchmarks in Math and Language Arts. This will inform Resource support and possible multi-age groupings. ESSR is working with teachers to support Adjusted curriculum students in planning and supporting their program. We have also begun precision reading with a number of students based on last year's benchmark results. We have finally filled the grade 4 Literacy Position. Mr. Stickings will be our Lit. Teacher until the transition to English in February. We are still short 1 EA to be filled Nov.1.

ENDS #3: To increase the engagement of children & youth by embedding competencies such as, critical thinking, citizenship, entrepreneurship, innovation, personalized learning and leadership in teaching and learning. We have continued to move toward global competencies with an emphasis on Social Emotional Learning and Critical thinking. Grade 4 will work on STEM projects / project based learning. Thematic units are being prepared in K-2 and our first PL will be in conjunction with the grandbay schools; focus = STEM Kits.

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The Morna community will promote the value of education through effective partnerships and positive pro-active communication. We have partnered with ELF, MAD Science, PALS (financial Literacy Grade 4/5) and Craine Mountain so far this year. We have also had a presentation from the String Quartet and will be performing at the Empty Stocking Fund. Future Endeavours: Ridgewood?