

École Élémentaire ARDROSSAN



Elementary School

Mid-Point Review - page 1

A mid-point compilation of school events and activities evaluates where we have been, how are we doing and where are we going. This provides a snapshot of our accomplishments and a celebration of our achievements so far! As always, the support, encouragement and involvement of the parent community underlies our success.

Safe & Caring Schools

7 Habits – School-wide philosophy embraced in all classrooms

Saffron Presentations

- Online Safety for Students
- B Stands for Belonging (Anti-bullying Presentation)

Hour Zero Safety Drills

Fire Safety Training

Farm Safety presentations (all grades)

Reading Grade Buddies – ECS to 6

Student Groups – counselor facilitated groups

FSLW – Family School Liaison Workers

Parent Invitations

- Meet the Staff evening
- All assemblies
- Halloween parade
- Various field trips
- School council meetings
- Canadian Parents for French meetings
- Christmas concert school rehearsals, DOW dress rehearsal and evening concert
- Live-streaming of Christmas concert to increase viewing access for all
- New Report card drop-in information session during student/parent/teacher interviews
- Remembrance Day ceremony

Upcoming:

- Carnival – February
- Replacement School Open House (TBD)

Parent Involvement

School Council

Canadian Parents for French

Hot Lunch

Saffron Parent Presentation – Keeping Children Safe Online

Read In Week - Parent and child picnic

Parent Guest Speaker Presentations:

- Handwashing Session – all grades
- Being safe at Halloween

Parent Volunteers

- Classroom-based events – field trips, classroom helpers, seasonal activities, etc.
- Épluchette de blé d'Inde – French Immersion traditional corn husking

- Grade 5 Regions of Canada event

Upcoming:

- Carnival & Family BBQ



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Partnering with other schools as well as our local and global community is key in supporting learning, student engagement, and success for all. Our partnerships include:

Community Partnerships

- **Family and Community Services** – Facilitate student groups such as Zones of Regulation
- **Junior ATB** – Developing financial literacy and real world experience through student banking program with the Alberta Treasury Branch.
- **Strathcona Christmas Bureau** – whole school initiative
- **Operation Christmas Child Shoebox** – gr. 3 initiative
- **Strathcona County Fire Department** – learning about safety with Sparky and his team of fire fighters.
- **RCMP** – upcoming gr. 6 DARE program

Global Community

Giving back to our global community:

- Terry Fox Run
- Strathcona Christmas Bureau – each grade donated items for our Giving Tree
- Grade 3 – Christmas Shoe Box Initiative
- Grade 5 – Christmas Hamper – Sponsoring a Family of 9
- Staff Charity – collecting money for Strathcona County Food Bank

Upcoming:

- Jump Rope for Heart – February 2016

School Partnerships

B.O.B. – Battle of the Books (11 EIPS elementary schools participating in Literacy Initiative)

Ardrrossan Junior Senior High

- Read In Week – Football members as guest readers
- Christmas Caroling with the Jazz Band
- Volunteer babysitters during Christmas concert
- 5C and English 30 – journal writing project
- French Immersion – gr. 1 & gr. 9 joint reading project

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- French Immersion staff collaboration
- Grade 2 French pen pals

Bev Facey Community High School– student leaders raised money to support gr. 3 Operation Christmas Child Shoebox initiative

Salisbury Community High School – Children's Fairy Tales – Drama 10 theatre performance for our students





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We believe in building the leaders of tomorrow by growing our student leaders today. Our student and staff leadership opportunities include:

Staff Development

- **Literacy Professional Learning Communities** - grade group literacy data analysis to inform instruction during staff meetings
- **Google Read Write** Workshop
- **Literacy Workshops:** Support For Struggling Readers Sessions & Reading Assessment refresher
- **Non-Crisis Intervention Refresher Course**
- **Communicating Student Learning** - Teacher in-servicing on new report cards
- **Grade 6 PAT** Analysis
- **Assessment Conference** - Alberta trends for the future

Student Leadership Groups

- **Drama Club** - Christmas Concert Performers - singers, dancers and actors at their best!
- **Gardening Club** - planting, caring, and harvesting our garden
- **Grade 6 Soccer Coaches** - provide mentorship and coaching to gr. 1 and 2 students during recess
- **Green Team** - environmental stewardship through recycling
- **Jr. ATB** - student Board members, tellers and clerks
- **Movers and Shakers** - setup and take down of assemblies
- **News Crew** - AETV & TVEA - Weekly student news program in French and English
- **Peer Tutoring** - gr. 5 & 6 students act as tutors
- **Play Core 1 & 2-** Positive Playgrounds, intramurals, Sports Day activities
- **Running Club** - students prepare for running in local sporting events
- **Service Corps/Spirit Team** - greet and meet visitors
- **Tech Crew** - tech support during all assemblies

7 Habit Assemblies

- Habit 1:** Be Proactive (gr.6)
- Habit 2:** Begin With the End in Mind (gr. 5)
- Habit 3:** Put First Things First (gr. 4)

Future Assemblies

- **Habit 4:** Think Win-Win - gr. 2 (February 2016)
- **Habit 5:** Seek 1st to Understand and Then be Understood- gr.3 (March 2016)
- **Habit 6:** Synergize- gr.1 & gr. 6 (April 2016)
- **Habit 7:** Sharpen the Saw- ECS and gr. 3 (May 2016)
- **Volunteer Appreciation & Earth Day** Assembly (April 2016 combined with Habit 6)

