

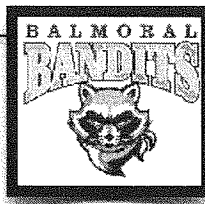


# REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY

## BALMORAL SCHOOL 2013-2014

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## School Accomplishments:

**1. By June 2014, all classroom teachers will be able to integrate technology daily and engage students in classrooms through the use of SMART technology, projectors, ipads and/or classroom computers.**

- ✓ each classroom and library became equipped with a new SMART interactive projector
- ✓ teachers integrated SMART projectors into daily lessons
- ✓ 20 ipad minis purchased for use in the fall
- ✓ teachers improved their ipad skills through the use of professional development on ipad use in the classroom
- ✓ purposeful, authentic iPad tasks are implemented on a regular basis across all curriculum areas
- ✓ creation and use of new Green Screen filming has enhanced student engagement and learning

**2. By June 2014, teachers will enhance student learning and achievement through best practice assessment techniques.**

- ✓ principal visits and report of data on assessment completed and submitted to division
- ✓ new provincial report card requirements followed
- ✓ teachers learn about enhanced learning through criteria development

## Our Divisional Vision Statement:

"Preparing Today's Learner for Tomorrow"

## Our Mission Statement:

Balmoral School will work:

- to provide a safe, caring environment which enables each student to achieve his/her potential
- to promote positive relationships
- to encourage students to be responsible, self-disciplined members of society
- to develop an awareness of and respect for all people

## School Profile:

Number of teachers: 10

Number of students: 97

Grades K-8

## School Highlights:

- Balmoral Winter Olympics
- Choirs and bands entered Interlake Music Festival
- K-8 Cross-curricula Aboriginal Focus
- Installation of new playground
- Reading Recovery Program

## Extra-curricular Activities:

- X-country
- volleyball
- basketball
- curling
- badminton
- skating
- track & field
- marathon
- tabloid day
- newspaper club
- social justice club
- My Voice
- 30 hour famine
- I Love to Read
- Crochet Club
- Speed Stack Club
- Student Council
- Terry Fox Run
- girls' and boys' clubs

**3. By June 2014, students will participate in at least 5 new E.S.D. initiatives (particularly in the area of human health and well-being).**

- ✓ students from Gr. 5 to 8 attended "We Day" in Winnipeg
- ✓ students collected bags with Bag Up Manitoba plastic bag collection challenge
- ✓ students collected food items while trick-or-treating, for "We Scare Hunger"
- ✓ students raised money at Movie night for homeless
- ✓ students participated in Anti-Bullying Week
- ✓ food items and gifts were collected for our local Christmas Cheer Board
- ✓ Christmas Silent Auction was held, with proceeds going to our Dominican Republic school twinning)
- ✓ students participated in "Day of Pink"
- ✓ students participated in "We are Silent Day"
- ✓ the Gr. 3/4 class participated in the Roots of Empathy Program
- ✓ Social Justice Club was organized for interested students in Gr. 5 to 8
- ✓ a "Bug Off Badminton" tournament was held, to help purchase mosquito nets for third world countries through "Spread the Net"
- ✓ students participated in a "Vow of Silence"
- ✓ students organized a recycle sale with proceeds going to
- ✓ a group of students participated in the Marathon (a fundraiser for Manitobans Living with Intellectual Disabilities)
- ✓ continued connection with a Coral School in Dominican Republic (we sent letters, e-mails, books and supplies, funds)
- ✓ participated in Bird Bit Challenge with SEEDS 2014
- ✓ conflict manager program commencement in grade 5/6

**4. By June 2014, communication with parents and the school community will be enhanced.**

- ✓ Parent Portal was open on Powerschool so that parents could see student progress year-round
- ✓ School newsletter included input from students and pictures
- ✓ Parents to attend an open house in the fall which will include QR code scavenger hunt
- ✓ Teachers provided parents with course outlines for each subject area
- ✓ new Twitter account with grade 7/8 students
- ✓ new Balmoral School Facebook account created
- ✓ PAC meetings included presentations from various teachers on topics such as technology, math, physical well-being and student services programming



**5. By December 2014, all teachers will be familiar with provincial reporting procedures, Powerschool, and the formulation of effective report card comments.**

- ✓ teachers focussed on the improvement of assessment for, as and of learning
- ✓ teachers practiced and improved report card comment writing for three reporting periods
- ✓ teachers used Powerschool to store, report, analyze and calculate marks

**Planning and Goal Setting 2014-2015 School Year:**

On April 25, 2014, Balmoral School Staff came together for a day to establish goals and review school priorities for the next school year. Parent and community input, survey results, achievement results, and divisional priorities along with provincial priorities were all considered when developing Balmoral School's goals. Once the indicators of success, strategies used to attain the goals and data sources used to measure success are established, the planning and goal setting process will be complete.

- 1. By June 2015, students will set and achieve personalized learning goals in literacy.**
- 2. By June 2015, students will set and achieve personalized learning goals in numeracy.**