

# Grosse Isle School



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## GROSSE ISLE SCHOOL COMMUNITY REPORT JUNE 2014

### Our Mission Statement

We at Grosse Isle School will foster a safe environment that encourages life-long learning, respect, and appreciation for all in order to prepare students to reach their full potential and to become productive members of society.

### School Profile

- 32 middle year students in Grades 5-8
- .10 resource teacher
- .10 guidance counsellor
- .08 life skills (shops/home ec. at Warren Collegiate)
- .50 Administration
- 2.97 classroom teachers
- 2 - 3 hour educational assistants
- 1 - 3 hour secretary
- 1 - 3 hour library clerk
- 1 part-time custodian
- 1 hour lunch supervision

### School Priorities 2013-2014

1. Implement a variety of assessment practices
2. Increase positive/caring behaviours

The above priorities were developed by school staff in accordance with the Interlake School Division's Strategic Plan. From these priorities the staff developed plans of action with expected outcomes and activities. The following are activities that were implemented to reach our objectives.

#### **Implement a variety of assessment practices:**

- Throughout the year, teachers have had conversations with their students about assessment for, as and of learning. The students are aware of the differences and teachers are using more assessment for learning activities in their classrooms.
- Teachers are having conversations with their students about learning goals and are starting to make them visual in their classroom so that students know where they are going and what they are expected to learn.
- Teachers are involving the students in co-constructing success criteria
- Teachers and peers are working on giving descriptive feedback as it relates to the success criteria set.
- Teachers are using self and peer-assessments in order for students to internalize their learning and monitor their progress.

### **Increase positive/caring behaviours:**

- We teamed up with Rosser School twice this year and had a Community Building Day and a Field Day, where our grade 5 & 6 students were the team leaders and our grade 7 and & 8 students planned and ran the events.
- All of our grade 6-8 students attended WE Day and a MY Voice Committee was set up for students who wanted to do more and set up events and activities to promote social justice at a local and global level.
- During the week of November 18<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup>, the staff planned Addictions Awareness Week and Bullying Awareness Week activities for the whole school. The students learned about the dangers of several drugs and had discussions about how they could stay drug free. There was also a Caught You Caring Campaign where students could nominate other students. The students also looked at poetry written about bullying and had discussions about how to treat people kindly.
- The grade 5/6 class was a Roots Of Empathy classroom for baby Georgia
- As part of the guidance program, all of the students completed a "Keeping an Eye on Mistreatment" form once a term in order to see how the students are being treated by one another, and to work with those students who are mistreating others.
- Intramurals were run at nutrition breaks and new playground sports equipment was purchased in order to decrease behaviour problems on the playground and to focus on team building.
- In June, 9 Power for the Positive awards were awarded to students in the school who demonstrated kindness and promoted a safe and respectful school throughout the whole school year. The award winners were nominated by their peers and staff members.

### **Some 2013-2014 Year Highlights**

- September 20<sup>th</sup> - Hosted Rosser School for our annual Community Building Day
- Terry Fox Run - raised \$61 for the Terry Fox Foundation
- September 23<sup>rd</sup> - Manitoba Cricket Association came to the school and ran a workshop
- October 9<sup>th</sup> - Participated in Middle Years Cross Country Meet - won the Small Schools Banner
- October 30<sup>th</sup> - Grades 6-8 attended WE Day in Winnipeg
- Grades 5/6 class began Roots of Empathy Program at the end of September
- Held our annual Magazine Sales fundraiser for the school
- November 6<sup>th</sup> - Grade 7/8 students attended the MTYP play, "Dying to be Thin" in Warren
- November 8<sup>th</sup> - Remembrance Day Service
- November 14<sup>th</sup> - Celebrated World Diabetes Day
- November 18<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> -Bullying Awareness Week/ Addictions Awareness Week activities
- November 27<sup>th</sup> -Participated in the Divisional Middle Years Volleyball Tournaments
- December 3<sup>rd</sup> - Held students vs parents volleyball evening
- December 17<sup>th</sup> - Annual Christmas production
- December 20<sup>th</sup> - MY Voice Committee delivered a food hamper and Christmas gifts to our Salvation Army Adopt-A-Family
- January - March - After school curling program
- February 5<sup>th</sup> - Went on a school field trip to Chapters and the Winnipeg Art Gallery

- February 10<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> - Artist in the School with Karen Cornelius (print making)
- Opened Parent Portal in Power School
- Participated in the Dream Factory's Month of Dreams Campaign, we raised \$168.00
- March 3<sup>rd</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup> - Food collection for Winnipeg Harvest's Operation Donation Campaign
- March 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>- Participated in Divisional Middle Years Basketball Tournaments
- March 12<sup>th</sup> - Competed in Middle Years Curling Bonspiel, the girls were B-Side Champs
- March 21<sup>st</sup> - Held our annual School Curling Bonspiel at the Rosser Curling Club
- March 26<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> - Grade 8 Ski Trip to Asessippi Ski Hill
- March 26<sup>th</sup> - Grade 5-7 Ski Trip to Stony Mountain
- An after school animation club was started, 20/32 students registered
- April 9<sup>th</sup> - Day of Pink - held activities with proceeds donated to the Red Cross Bullying Prevention program
- April 16<sup>th</sup> - Grade 7's participated in the Teach Our Kids About Money Day
- April 29<sup>th</sup> - Grade 5/6's chicks hatched
- April 30<sup>th</sup> - Participated in Divisional Badminton tournament
- Throughout May we had Shelley Schaffer in to do three yoga sessions and three nutrition workshops with all of the students as part of Mental Health Week
- May 23<sup>rd</sup> - Jump Rope for Heart, \$545.00 was raised for the Heart and Stroke Foundation
- June 4<sup>th</sup> - Grade 8 Transition Day at WCI
- June 10<sup>th</sup> - Participated in the Middle Years Track and Field Meet
- June 18<sup>th</sup> - Field Day with Rosser School
- June 20<sup>th</sup> - Grade 5/6 National Aboriginal Day at Oak Hammock Marsh and Grade 7/8 Field Trip to Fort Whyte and Sky Zone
- June 23<sup>rd</sup> - Grade 5-8 year-end field trip to Academy Lanes and Seven Oaks Pool
- June 24<sup>th</sup> - Grade 5/6 field trip to the Manitoba Museum
- June 25<sup>th</sup> - Year End Celebration and Grade 8 Graduation

If you have any questions, comments or ideas in regards to this Community Report, or any aspect of our school, please feel free to call the school at any time at 204-467-2560.