

October 2020 Principals EPC Reports

Lucerne

- With the addition of four students, Lucerne now has 100 students.
- September 29th our school participated in Terry Fox, and our runners went down to Bigelow Bay and put their feet in the lake in an homage to Terry
- Sept. 30th we recognized Orange shirt day and students created feathers to recognize the importance of each child
- On Oct. 7th we held a group activity for students from grade 4 to 12 to recognize World Mental Health Day
- Oct. 20th our high school students went on the Larch Tree Hike in Hills to identify local plants
- Oct. 20th is also our photo day
- StrongStart is up and running and while it is operating in a limit capacity, we have done our best to create a program were in parents can choose from five different activities that best fit the needs of their family and child
- On Oct. 16th our student council elections were held, we had a full slate of candidates and while it would take too long to list them all, Senna Bahalul and Shanna Wilson became Prime Minister and Deputy Prime Minister respectively
- Our food program is up and running and we have had some really great lunches and breakfasts, we are so thankful for everyone who makes these programs happen. On a typical day we serve around 50 lunches, and this past breakfast we fed nearly 75 people
- On Oct. 30th we are holding a Halloween party for students in our K to 3 division as well as a small Halloween parade. We will send a short video of our parade to the Pavillion as we will be unable to go there this year.

Southern Zone- Burton and Edgewood

- -PHO and WorkSafe cleaning protocols are in place to ensure the health and safety of staff and students.
- -Both schools have been taking their learning outside and will be participating in Take Me Outside day
- -We are so thankful for Music lessons from Ms. Leah Holden. We love music in our schools.
- -The counseling time in the southern zone is appreciated. Mr. Greenhalf is joining us once a week.
- -SZ grew by two more students this month. We are now @ 11 Students in EES and 30 BES.
- -Class reviews were held a few weeks back. The rich conversations will guide our year of learning.

EES-

- -Bear aware presentation next week.
- -Students will participate in a pre-take me outside day concert.
- -Respect/Excellence/Pride tickets are back. We give our Eagles a REP ticket when they demonstrate one of the three attributes while at the school. All tickets are entered into a draw at the end of the month and the winner receives a prize.

BES-

- -Simbi literacy program is being used in both classes.
- -Games for learning is helping students understand the core competencies in the intermediate class and SEL in the primary
- -The intermediate class is using Tech to engage all learners. (Spheros and basic scratch are on the agenda this month).

NES

General

- NES held parent conferences this month. It was another new challenge for us as we hosted the meetings outside. It was great to connect with parents and talk about kids
- School is settling into a routine as we adapt to the changes we needed to make to adjust to our new circumstances. Although there have been some hiccups that required some adjustments, it has been really positive so far!

Curricular

- We have almost completed our class reviews where we take student formative assessment data from our fall assessments and discuss goals and strategies to match the class strengths and stretches.
- Compassion is our virtue for this month linked to the Bear.
- Recount is the writing genre of the month and Word Choice is the focus trait
- We are finishing up with Patterning and moving on to Operations in Math

Extra-Curricular

- Intermediate students competed in the Tryathlon on September 29th supported by teachers and parent volunteers. It was a great day!
- We have had a number of dress up and theme days including a PJ day and we look forward to dressing up for October 30th and visiting the Haunted Forest created by our Grade 7 class with support from the Nakusp Rail Society
- We are working on finding a way to host hybrid assemblies where our cohorts are connected virtually. We hope to have our first such assembly on Wednesday October 28th
- Intramurals should be up and running soon with the help of our grade 7 leaders. Those Cheeky Chirpy Chickens, Disco Dancing Dinos, Rowdy Rockin Rhinos and Wild Winning Wolves are ready to battle out for ultimate victory during lunches in the near future.

NSS

- Enrollment steady at 140
- Sexual Health Presentations all week for all grades (Teresa Weatherhead)
- House teams are going well and promoting a positive school spirit and culture
- Four students assisted District maintenance staff and solar engineer for the installation of panels at both NSS and EES
 - Awaiting the install of two charging stations outside the shops
- Grads have started their next fundraiser – sandbags are available at various locations around town
- Looking forward to welcoming a new EA to NSS for our recently posted 15-hour position
- Mountain bike team practices every Wednesday at Mt Abriel
- Soccer and volleyball teams also practising several times a week