# EPC report April 2021

## <u>NES</u>

- NES clubs are up and running! These clubs are running Tuesday and Thursday and are supported by a late bus. Primary students have the option of Art, Board games, or Outdoor games. We had so many kids sign up that we had to break the groups into two. Intermediate students have the options of Board games, Biking, Parkour, and Art.
- Betty Fahlman has been coming in to work with all classes on charcoal art. It is absolutely amazing to see the work being produced. Betty is the first of several artists that will be coming in to work with our students over the coming months. Big thanks to Leslie Leitch for organizing this with our local artists.
- Intramurals continue to provide opportunities for cohort-based fun for our students at lunches.
- Students have completed the MDI survey and FSA assessment. Grade 4 and 7 students will be completing the Student Learning Survey this week. All students will be working on District Assessments prior to May 7.
- Hot Lunch continues. Last Friday we were able to offer student free Mac and Cheese and Meatloaf. Thanks go to Sheila Seaton who donated Epicure products to support this.

### Southern Zone

We participated in the NED show. A yo-yo extravaganza teaching kids about the power of YET and not giving up.

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- The grade 2's are mastering a game to teach to the K-1s.
- Our 'Spuds in Tubs' have been flourishing during this fantastic weather.
- We have a few Fridays again this month. The students love the Friday Challenge.

BES

- BES been has creating cross-class groups for Learning. The intermediate students have been reading to the primary class. We also have intermediate students helping the primary class with PE and Art
- Laurie's art Classes continue, and the students are very engaged.
- Ms. Arnett is starting a running club Monday at lunch.
- The Bears student council has created house teams and will begin the challenges soon. This student-driven activity.
- BES will host a talent show Mid-May

### <u>Lucerne</u>

- Our students in grades 2 to 7 have been building escape rooms, both virtual and physical rooms. We hope to share some of these rooms with the public shortly
- On April 1<sup>st</sup> we had a virtual assembly for students in K to 7, the students met Ned, learned about Yo-Yos and learned about growth mindset
- After school clubs have begun and the students are really enjoying the clubs. We have eight clubs running that span K to 12, these include art, drama, soccer, volleyball, open shop, dance, ukulele, play group, and more
- We have also begun a second bus run on Tuesdays and Thursdays and this has been a great investment. We are seeing a lot of students taking this option for various reasons.
- We have started serving breakfast four days a week and serving the whole school a healthy nutritious breakfast, on muffin days we are giving out nearly 120 muffins
- On Thursday the 15th we went to Snk'Mip Marsh to celebrate Earth Day, students engaged in indigenous ways of knowing, learned about bird watching and tree biology, played fun games, and made bannock. It was really an amazing day. We had numerous special guests and the weather was absolutely perfect.
- On Friday the 16<sup>th</sup> our high school students wrote the graduation numeracy, and in general they reported feeling very confident in their efforts

### <u>NSS</u>

- Our grade 10 student scores from the January Graduation Numeracy Assessment had almost all of our students scoring Developing (2) or Proficient (3)
- Students in grade 10 and grade 11 completed the Graduation Literacy Assessment this past week (grade 11's had to write after missing due to COVID-19 restrictions last year)
- Nicer weather has provided more opportunities for outdoor learning activities
- Planning for our school-wide Indigenous Education Week activities has begun in earnest
- NI Day on April 19<sup>th</sup> focused on SEL and the implementation of the new K-9 Reporting Standards
- Timetabling for next year is well underway; first draft should be done this week
- Girls Soccer, Track and Field and Mountain Bike teams have started
- Climbing Club continues to grow every week
- Term 3 ends on Wednesday, with report cards going home early next week
- Meal programs continue to be a big hit, especially hot breakfast, pizza Friday and hot lunch Tuesday
  - This past week was Sweet (Apple) or Savory (Beef) Pies 72 made and sold out!
  - PAC members are not going to making ready made 'sandwiches-to-go' that we can distribute to students as needed
- Grads completed their scholarship applications this past week; next step is the Career Life Connections presentations
- Grad Ceremony Plans for options A to "∞ and beyond" currently being explored

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