A Message from the Prairie Valley Board of Education

As we say good-bye to another calendar year and take a break from our busy schedules, it is appropriate to reflect on our accomplishments. As the closeout of our 2015-2016 school year reveals, Prairie Valley students continue to be on par with or ahead of the provincial average in the majority of indicators in the Education Sector Strategic Plan, including Grade 3 reading levels, graduation rates, credit attainment and early years evaluation. We look forward to sharing our results at our annual meeting of electors on January 19, 2017 at Lumsden Elementary School. The meeting is open to the public, so please join us. Detailed information about the meeting will soon be available on our website. You can also review our results in our newly published *2015-2016 Community Report* and corresponding "Results at a Glance" summary sheet at www.pvsd.ca.

In looking ahead, we know that we are entering a time of change in the education sector. You may be aware that on November 14, the Government of Saskatchewan announced a review of Kindergarten to Grade 12 educational governance. For information pertaining to this review, please contact your Board member or School Community Council.

We thank our staff and students for their continued efforts in meeting our strategic goals for student achievement. Just as this year's motto affirms, "Every Student is Important to Me", so are you, our parents, important in helping students achieve success. On behalf of the Board, we wish students, staff and families a festive vacation and Happy New Year!

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