

SCC Summary of Activities

2010-2011

Leadership in Learning and Life



Balcarres School Community Council Annual Activity Report

Promoting Student Initiative:

- The SCC invited 2 high school students to sit on the board in order to have more input from the high school perspective.
- Middle year's high school was also surveyed for interests in extracurricular work.
- The SCC sharpened 70 plus skates for the elementary students skating during school hours.

Promoting Community Initiative:

- Benches were purchased for playground enhancement.

Teacher Appreciation:

- A barbeque supper was provide for all teachers and support staff after the staff meeting in June in order to recognize their efforts over the past year.

SCC:

- A SCC booth was set up at the teacher interview dates.

Broadview School Community Council Annual Activity Report

Literacy Initiative:

- The SCC donated an amount for the Accelerated Reader Program in December 2010.
- In the next few months, the SCC will supply each elementary child a book.

Promoting Student Initiative:

- The SCC gave Scholarships in June for students who demonstrated best the 3 school values.
- In June 2011, the SCC will be handing out gift baskets to grad students.
- The SCC provided agenda's and fridge magnets for students in October 2010.

Promoting Community Initiative:

- In February 2011, the SCC started their first newsletter for students, parents and community members.
- The SCC will be having a "Riders Tailgate Party" at the C-store.

Teacher Appreciation:

- The SCC supplied staff and support staff with plants, coffee machine and coffee gift for the bus drivers during Teacher Appreciation Week.
- The SCC served a hot lunch for the students; teachers were invited to join lunch for free.

Fund Raising:

- A Hockey Pool was set up to raise money for an upgrade to the current sound system at the school in November 2010.
- In April 2011, a Bulb Fundraiser was done.

SCC:

- The SCC helped with the set up and assisted with the Book Fair during Parent Teacher Interviews.
- The SCC served lunch during the Flag Football Tournament.
- The SCC provided a healthy snack once a week during Nutrition Month.
- The SCC served lunch during a Badminton Tournament.
- One goal is to have a Bully Prevention Program in the school.

Balgonie Elementary School Community Council Annual Activity Report

Literacy Initiative:

- Volunteers were used to give literacy help as requested by teachers.

Promoting Student Initiative:

- The SCC supported school LIP goals.
- Attendance Goal – BES identified attendance as an area to improve upon this year. The SCC supported this goal by purchasing awards; all students in each month with 95% attendance or greater were entered into a draw for that month's prizes – 3 prizes each month.
- Behaviour Goal – the SCC supported BES initiative of improved behaviour by purchasing 25 core disks which were distributed throughout school for use as teachers saw fit.
- Math Goal – the SCC organized a pool of volunteers, held an orientation/confidentiality meeting, and made volunteer availability and contact information accessible to teachers. Teachers could call on volunteers as needed to support students with math.
- The SCC purchased t-shirts for a group of girls who prepared and performed a "flash mob" with a message of acceptance and anti-bullying.

Teacher Appreciation:

- The SCC provided a Teacher Appreciation lunch for the staff during the February PD day.

SCC:

- The SCC purchased wireless mic's for the drama performances at BES.
- In conjunction with the Division, the SCC supplied play structures. They also provided extra funds to increase the structure size to the largest option available. The SCC organized all volunteer labour to build structure, as well as arranged for the town of Balgonie to make available large machinery for building.
- The SCC hosted an Open House and BBQ in conjunction with the school's open house in September 2010.
- The SCC purchased cake, coffee and juice for the Grade 8 farewell celebration.
- The SCC Chair and 1 member-at-large attended PVSD Ministry presentation with BES principal to speak on SCC role in helping school achieve Lip goals.
- Various BES SCC members attended different PVSD meetings this year.

Cupar School Community Council Annual Activity Report**Literacy Initiative:**

- Literacy Bags were compiled and presented to each Kindergarten students during Education Week.
- A Guest Reader program was organized by the CSCC for Grades K-4.
- Guest Reader came to the classroom once a week to read to the students.
- The CSCC co-sponsored a guest author in conjunction with the school.
- For Family Literacy Day, parents were sent home a page of ideas to celebrate this day with their children.

Promoting Student Initiative:

- Student successes were celebrated by holding a "cookie celebration".
- Grandparents came onto the school and baked cookies for all students and staff to recognize efforts in meeting the school goals of responsibility, respect, honesty and leadership.
- The CSCC funded pizza parties for 20 students whose names were randomly selected from golden tickets in the PBIS prize drum. This event was very well received by all grades.
- SCC provided 2 grand prizes; each one was a \$75.00 gift certificate. One student from K-6 and

one student from 7-12 were selected by having their name/ticket randomly drawn from the PBIS prize drum. Students earned “golden tickets” for demonstrating the positive values of the school.

- The School Council also presented the CSCC graduate award (\$200.00 value) to a Grade 12 student who has demonstrated the core PBIS values and is pursuing post-secondary education. The award was presented at the graduation ceremony on June 24th, 2011.

Promoting Community Initiative:

- The CSCC submitted a monthly information update into the school newsletter highlighting activities and goals.
- Coffee and cookies were served at the school’s open house.
- A parent volunteer survey was conducted by the council and information was shared with staff.
- The CSCC provided babysitting during important school functions to enable families with young children to attend.

Teacher Appreciation:

- The SCC provided a pizza and salad lunch for all staff and also provided supervision on that day for staff to enjoy a relaxing lunch hour.

Fund Raising:

- There were a number of hot lunch events to raise funds for the CSCC.
- CSCC major fundraiser this year was the Cupar School Community Cookbook. Recipes and artwork were solicited from students, staff, families and community members to create the cookbook. Sales from the cookbook will be used as a fund raiser for future SCC activities.

SCC:

- The CSCC provided each Grade 12 graduate with a School Yearbook to commemorate their final year at Cupar School.
- The CSCC participated in Remembrance Day services at the school and a variety of other school and sporting events as volunteers.
- The CSCC made a donation to the Qu’Appelle Valley Music Festival.
- The CSCC participated in the SLC food drive at the Variety Night Concert.
- The CSCC has become very active and is gaining more parent involvement as time goes on. The council will have 8 active parent reps for the coming year in addition to SLC members, school staff and identified volunteers.

- The CSCC looks forward to a productive and successful school year in 2011-2012. They thank all current and former members for their commitment to the students of Cupar School.

Fort Qu'Appelle School Community Council Annual Activity Report

Literacy Initiative:

- Building on the success of The Family Scavenger Hunt project last year, the SCC organized a Family Scavenger Hunt on the theme of Literacy. Every family was invited to complete a literacy questionnaire and those who completed one received a Scholastic Book Fair Gift Certificate.
- In support of literacy, the SCC purchased a book for every elementary school student which they received on their birthday.

Promoting Student Initiative:

- To support improved attendance at the high school, the SCC sponsored an attendance blitz during the month of December. Those students with perfect attendance for the week were given a gift certificate for a free lunch from the high school servery.
- To support the goal of smooth transitions, the SCC partnered with the Fort Qu'Appelle Chamber of Commerce and Bert Fox High School to host a job fair. The goal was to provide employers within our community a chance to meet those students interested in finding summer employment. The High School Liaison helped students prepare their resumes, outlining their skill, abilities and experience. As an opportunity to connect employers and students, the job fair support the development of skills and self-confidence students require in securing employment now and in their future.
- In recognition of the considerable expense that graduation presents for families, the SCC sponsored a graduating student from Bert Fox High School in the "Adopt a Grad" program. A grant of \$300 was provided to a family of a graduating student, as chosen by high school staff, to help defray the expenses associated with participating in grad ceremonies.
- The SCC sponsored a \$300 Scholarship to a Grade 12 student who has attended Bert Fox for their entire education and has demonstrated an active role in the school community.

Promoting Community Initiative:

- The SCC hired a local photographer to take family photos for any Bert Box or Fort Qu'Appelle Elementary School family, free of charge. Approximately 35 families from both schools participated in the project. Responses from the families were extremely positive.
- A partnership was formed between the SCC, The Bert Fox After-School Program and the Valley Grocer. The goal was to feature family-friendly meal ideas that were simple, fast and tasty. Every Friday for four weeks we offered meal samples at the grocery store. The samples were prepared by students in the Bert Fox After-School Program, and a high school student was on hand to share the meal samples and recipes at the store. The groceries to make each meal were bagged and ready to grab, making it easy for families to have an economical supper at home.

Teacher Appreciation:

- On behalf of the SCC, staff at both schools were treated to sweet treats and a chili lunch during Staff Appreciation Week.

SCC:

- The SCC provided donations for the Adopt a Family Christmas Garage Sale. This included items for sale and gift wrapping supplies. As well, SCC members volunteered at the sale. The sale was organized by the Peer Mentors from Bert Fox and in addition to raising funds to support a local family in need during Christmas, it also provided elementary school students with an opportunity to buy affordable Christmas gifts for their family members. Elementary school leadership students worked at the sale wrapping gifts. This was a great partnership between Fort Qu'Appelle schools, staff and the SCC.
- The SCC Vice-Chair attended the Rural Congress Conference in Saskatoon in February.
- The SCC Chair attended the SCC appreciation dinner and PVSD AGM in Kipling in February.

Grenfell Elementary School Community Council Annual Activity Report**Literacy Initiative:**

- The Literacy Carnival in February 2011 was a huge success.
- A Birthday Book Program for Pre-School students was provided for 2010-2011.

Fund Raising:

- The SCC Soup & Sandwich fundraiser for school was in March 2011.

SCC:

- The SCC hosted a Bike Rodeo in May 2011
- Political Debate with all the 4 parties was hosted by the SCC in March 2011
- The SCC hosted Santa Day and Christmas Concert in Dec 2010
- The SCC will provide bulk school supplies for 2011/2012
- The SCC supported Road Safety 2011

Indian Head Elementary School Community Council Annual Activity Report**Literacy Initiative:**

- Be a Reader Book Bags joint project launched in conjunction with the following community

groups: IH Library Board, Beta Sigma Phi and IH Public Health. The project is ongoing.

- The “Reading Road Incentives” program was held on Jan 11. The Grade 1-6 students are all participating in individual reading incentive programs. The SCC wanted to support the classes with incentive rewards and since the ages and needs of each class are so varied we found the best way to do this was to pledge \$50 for each classroom. This money will assist the teachers in the purchase of rewards. Good Luck Students and Happy Reading.

Promoting Student Initiative:

- The IHES has had a “Star Store” program in place for a number of years as a way to award positive behaviour. This year we continued our support of this project through the purchasing of new items. We also monitored the display to make sure that it is well stocked and engaging for the students.
- As an addition to the Star Store Monthly & Year End Draw (Jan 10 – June 10), we drew 3 names each month to win 3 different prize packs. The prize packs included school clothing, soccer balls, posters, footballs and other various items. At the end of June we had a grand prize draw from all the students entered for 3 season pool passes and beach towels. We held a big assembly and the students and staff cheered on the winners.

Promoting Community Initiatives:

- On September 10, the 3rd annual “Welcome Back Breakfast” was held. It was a wonderful morning with great involvement from the SCC, IHES staff, students and community. We received support for the project from Plainsview Credit Union, Dr. Brian Baker, IH Community Church, IH Elks and various other individuals and groups.

Teacher Appreciation:

- The SCC hosted a lunch for the staff in appreciation for all they do on February 11, during Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week.
- At a “Meet the Teacher” evening on May 10, the SCC hosted an informal evening at the Grand Avenue Inn. A great way to get to know the teachers and staff on a more personal level which helps greatly with communication between the school staff and the SCC.

SCC:

- IHES Muffin Program is year round. The SCC helps the IHES staff with the program by calling for donations when needed.
- Hot Lunch Program , The SCC subcommittee plans at least 2 hot lunch days, one in the fall, one in the winter (eg: pizza, DQ, subs) during the year known as the Hot Lunch program. This is very popular with the students.
- PVSD Workshops and Meetings throughout the year are available and SCC members have participated in a variety of workshops, meetings and focus groups hosted by PVSD.
- For the SASC Conference on May 10, the SCC sent 2 members to Saskatoon to the annual SASC conference. They found the topics varied and informative and brought back information to share with the rest of the group.
- SCC members helped with the annual “Track n Field” day.

- The SCC partnered this year with the SLC for the IHES Open House on Oct. 10. . The SCC purchased cake and helped the SLC members serve it to the students and parents.
- The Christmas Concert Coffee Shop on Dec 10, was the 3rd year the SCC for the set up a coffee station for parents at the evening concert. It was a great turn out this year. It was a great opportunity for parents to come together and see old friends and possibly meet new ones.
- This was the 2nd year for the Annual “Christmas Movie Morning” on Dec. 10. This event was planned for the students and staff of IHES. We brought in the movie ‘Despicable Me” and sponsored popcorn and a drink for everyone attending. The movie was fantastic and all the children from Pre-K to Grade 6 loved the movie. It was a great morning.
- On March 1, we held our AGM jointly with the IHHSCC and last year was our turn to host.

Indian Head High School Community Council Annual Activity Report

Literacy Initiative:

- The SCC supported the literacy goals by ordering some magazine subscriptions for the student body in September 2010.
- In November 2010, the SCC discussed a literacy and library promotion for the students.
- In January 2011, the SCC was excited to see the library/literacy promotion get started. The students have a chance to win a Kindle at the end of June. The promotion is off to a very good start.

Promoting Student Initiative:

- IHHS held a Grade 7 open house in June 2010. The SCC once again helped out by providing assistance to this evening and provided each Grade 7 with a Broncs T-shirt. We believed this was an important way to establish a sense of belonging to their new school. A lot of positive comments from parents and the community were received on this project and it will become an annual event.
- The SCC discussed offering a door prize of sorts to parents and students who attended the Parent/teacher/student interviews in October 2010 during Education Week Activities.
- The SCC was assisting in getting ready for the first annual ARTS night. Student’s artistic talents were showcased to the community. The community support was fantastic and the SCC is looking forward to the next one.
- The SCC has started discussing a football program for IHHS with the community.
- In March 2011, the SCC will begin to plan the second annual ARTS night as well as developing an award for a graduating student in June. The SCC is looking at a student that is involved in the school and community.

Promoting Community Initiative:

- IHHS entered a float in the community parade. The SCC lent a hand to make sure the float was

ready to go on a parade day. It was a huge success and the community was thrilled to have IHHS a part of parade day.

Fund Raising:

- Funds raised from the school and community supported Breast Cancer in The Heartbreaker Classic.

SCC:

- The SCC helped with Open House and during Open House encouraged other parents and community members to join our SCC.
- In December 2010, the SCC helped out with the annual Christmas dinner for students.
- In February 2011, the SCC helped out with a Basketball Tournament.
- The SCC began getting ready for the AGM.

Kipling School Community Council Annual Activity Report

Literacy Initiative:

- The SCC hosted 4 literacy nights, 2 in Kipling and 2 in Corning. Children listened to stories read by older students of Kipling School. Snacks and books for each child were supplies.
- The SCC is working and giving ongoing support of the Playschool reading library which the SCC created last year.
- The SCC supply yearly awards for students who show a love of reading, one per grade.

Promoting Student Initiative:

- The SCC supported initiatives to supply parents of preschool children with information on proper pencil grip and fine motor skills.

Teacher Appreciation:

- The SCC supports the Teacher's Wish List Present yearly appreciation gifts to staff.

SCC:

- The SCC is working in conjunction with the school to update the current "Bullying" policy.
- The SCC supported the local SADD chapter.

Lajord School Community Council Annual Activity Report

Literacy Initiative:

- The SCC continued to support Literacy by purchasing books for the students at Christmas and by hosing a Pizza lunch for students who participated in a Reading Contest through AG in the classroom.

Promoting Community Initiative:

- Year End Community BBQ was held on June 27th and the SCC purchased the cakes for this event. It was a great way to thank the parents for their support over the year and celebrate the accomplishments of the students.

SCC:

- The community was active this year, building an addition onto the school. The addition was started in the fall after harvest and was completed in early March. The SCC used some of its funds to purchase shelves and other storage units for the new classroom as the colony members were busy with construction and did not have time to build these items.
- The SCC held meetings to discuss students continuing their education to Grade 10. Community support for this initiative is very important as these students have responsibilities on the colony as well as their academic work which can be very stressful for these young people.

Lipton School Community Council Annual Activity Report

Literacy Initiative:

- The SCC purchased readers this year for the Grade 1-6 to help promote the literacy program.
- The SCC also helped the teachers of Grade 1-6 with an organized reading plan.

Promoting Community Initiative:

- The SCC showed the students and staff how the Community appreciated them with gifts.

Fund Raising:

- Fundraising included a cookie walk, grad supper, Co-op gift cards and grand reopening, and the SCC Community Calendar.

SCC:

- The SCC was able to implement an Archery program and hosted a tournament which was well attended by all grades along with other schools.
- An event was hosted by the SCC for the First Aid course for the Grade 10's before they left on their canoe trip.

Milestone School Community Council - Annual Report - 2010-2011

Literacy Initiative

- MSCC helped to sponsor an author visit

- We created a writing contest for Grades 1 – 12 and gave prizes in age appropriate groups
- We published student writing on our website and in our school
- A book was given to each Kindergarten student on their orientation day in June

Behaviour Initiative

- MSCC continued to deliver a healthy snack, once a month, to students and staff
- We implemented a complimentary healthy meal and served chilli to students and staff in November and held a barbeque for them in May
- We supported a Perfect Attendance Award and were pleased that a Grade 1 student finished the year with perfect attendance! He was recognized at an assembly and will receive an award at the school's award night.
- MSCC continues to support the outdoor revitalization program. We assisted with work done on our playing field with the watering system; track and field pits were resized, filled with sand and had borders and a rubber matting laid for the running track; the pathway to our native grassland area was dug out and filled with crusher dust in preparation to lay the stepping stones; and the sidewalk to the basketball court was prepped and is awaiting the cement.
- We donated money to the bricking of our outdoor sign

Equitable Opportunities Initiative

- An inuksuk was purchased to put out near the grassland area
- MSCC researched First Nations "Heroes" whose biographies will be placed in a booklet to be left in our library

Teacher/Staff Appreciation

- MSCC held two work bees for the teachers and helped to prepare materials for use in classrooms
- We helped to serve students at the Terry Fox Walk barbeque
- For Teacher Appreciation Week, we delivered something each day to both staffrooms -home baked treats; chocolates; baskets of school supplies; new coffee pots; and we served a soup, bun and pie luncheon for the staff
- MSCC served a brunch to our bus drivers

Community Initiative

- MSCC reports in every school newsletter. These newsletters are mailed to every member of the Milestone and surrounding communities
- We sponsored a barbeque on the night of Open House in order to interact with parents, students, staff and community members
- MSCC developed their own website for parents and community members to keep up with what we are doing. This was a new project and is ongoing

Fundraising

- MSCC sold tickets and drew from these tickets once a month – monthly winners received \$100

Montmartre School Community Council Annual Activity Report

Literacy Initiative:

- The SCC continued the Family Literacy Day at the school where the SCC purchased a book or magazine for each student in the school to stress the importance of literacy.

Promoting Community Initiative:

- The SCC continues to work at playground improvements over the year.

Pense School Community Council Annual Activity Report

Literacy Initiative:

- The SCC purchased Dictionaries and Atlas' for school use.

Teacher Appreciation:

- The SCC purchased a cold supper for teachers on Parent/Teacher Interview evenings.
- The SCC funded \$200 for each classroom teacher to purchase items for the classroom.

Fund Raising:

- Funds raised for the projects were done through Mom's Pantry orders which are done twice a year.

SCC:

- The SCC supported and funded a Year End Carnival in June 2010.
- In September 2010, the SCC sponsored an Open House and Pizza Night for parents and students.

- Santa and treat bags for the Christmas Concert were sponsored by the SCC.
- The SCC funded the purchase of a sound system for the gymnasium.
- The SCC supplied EARTH Day kits to students.
- The SCC financially supported the year end camping trip and swimming lessons as well as Grade 8 farewell gifts.
- The SCC efforts are supported through attending Pense Recreation Board meetings as school representation.

Pilot Butte School Community Council Annual Activity Report

Literacy Initiative:

- A brand new committee joined forces in November 2010.
- Author Marney Duncan Carey, visited the Kindergarten – Grade 4 classes.
- Birthday books were supplied for all Grades Kindergarten – Grade 8.
- The SCC supported LIP initiatives this year.

SCC:

- Mike Brady came to the school for Disability Awareness, and spent a day with the students explaining what it is like to grow up and live with a disability.

Sedley School Community Council Annual Activity Report

Literacy Initiative:

- The SCC brought in a local author to read and meet with the students. This was a great opportunity for students to learn about writing and printing their own book.
- Books were purchased for each student Grade K – 4, and we had a book signing event. The students were absolutely thrilled with this experience.
- The SCC continues to support out LIL Program as every child from new born to Grade 8 receive a free book for their birthday as well as at Christmas time.
- Literacy is the best way to encourage our children to read, as reading is the key to understanding all subjects including mathematics.

Promoting Student Initiative:

- The SCC continues to make a dedication to the students that would have graduated from the Sedley High School by purchasing a picture frame for each student as this was the final year for those students.

- The SCC is currently making new arrangements to honour our student that will leave school after Grade 8. This is an excellent opportunity for the SCC to acknowledge the accomplishments of our students as we believe that elementary is the foundation to who our children will become in the years ahead.
- The SCC also continues to celebrate the Grade 8 farewell and to honour the highest academic average a Grade 8 student has by purchasing him/her a plaque and giving an award for the student. This is a milestone for students and we should honour it as such.
- The SCC continues to support our PBIS program of “Catch a Kid Being Good”. This is a way for students to be commended for being a positive student and showing positive behaviour toward other students. These students have a chance to collect tickets that can be put towards prizes. The students look forward to picking out their prize and they are excited that they have been acknowledged for such behaviour.
- The Sedley SCC is dedicated to the student body and staff at the Sedley School. We are able to attend meetings to help enhance our knowledge of the school division and better our understanding of events that take place.

Promoting Community Initiative:

- SCC celebrated Bus Driver Appreciation Week and purchased a “to go cup” as well as a gift card for all the bus drivers. There is a great responsibility when driving bus and keeping children safe and this must be acknowledged.
- The SCC and community members used the extra wood that was left from the new play structure to build the students a new sand box.
- The SCC was able to help again this year with the Terry Fox Run, insuring student safety during their walk and then having water and freezes as refreshments.
- In the fall, the SCC along with parents and community members met and assembled the new play structure as well as the basketball hoops at the back of the school. This was a big undertaking as weather played a big part. The SCC was able to put it all together and celebrate by providing a pizza lunch.
- The SCC also assembled and installed the picnic tables for community members as well as for the students to partake in outdoor education. These tables were provided by Affinity Credit Unions grant money.

Teacher Appreciation:

- The SCC supplied a continental breakfast for the teachers and staff at the Sedley School during the Teacher Appreciation Week.
- The SCC would like the teachers and staff to know how we support them and appreciate the time and dedication that they give to each and every student. The SCC wants to ensure that students feel safe, confident and special in the school.

Fund Raising:

- The children had a chance to dress up and show school spirit and the council members along with community members sold the lunch and all proceeds go towards the “Leap Into Literacy” program. These days are always fun and entertaining to everyone. Lunches included hotdogs, taco in a bag, pancake lunch, pizza and sub days.
- In December we held a community fundraiser to help purchase another SMART board for 1 more classroom. This was a chance for local and home based businesses to support the school and in return the school would support the local/home based business.

SCC:

- The SCC purchased 2 SMART boards for 2 classrooms. This was a wonderful opportunity for students to have access to the most functional educational tool around.
- In Sept, the SCC hosted a Back to School BBQ in conjunction with Meet the Teacher Night. It was a chance for all new as well as returning student and parents to come see the school and to meet the staff.
- The SCC was also able to help jumpstart an event for the Grade 5 – 8 students on Respect Education. This was a chance for students to be made aware of cyber bullying, which is very important subject to talk about with all students. A better understanding can lead to a better outcome for all involved.
- The SCC served several hot lunches throughout the year that coincided with the schools spirit days. Some included hotdog day, taco in a bag, pancake lunch, pizza day and a sub day.
- The SCC takes pride in our accomplishments and work hard to provide guidance for staff and support for the school and its goals.

South Shore School Community Council Annual Activity Report**Promoting Community Initiative:**

- The SCC is working on bringing the community together and focusing less on fundraising.

Fund Raising:

- The SCC raised funds by hosting a Christmas Raffle as well as hosting the semi-annual bottle drive.

SCC:

- The SCC provided funding for classroom bus trips, outdoor education trips, reading initiatives, Muffins for Mom’s and Donuts for Dad’s.
- The SCC purchased a new SMART Board.
- Discussed changes the SCC would like to make, such as organizing more activities and programs to keep the kids excited to be at school.

Stewart Nicks School Community Council Annual Activity Report

Literacy Initiative:

- The SCC continued their contest through “Reader’s Pick of the Month” in the form of a “book recommendation”. Throughout the year students are encouraged to read books and submit a book report outlining why others should or should not read a particular book, for a chance to win Scholastic gift certificates. Their book recommendations are published in the school newsletter. Many students participated and were thrilled to win money towards their book orders which, in the end, also supports the school.
- The SCC sent the Grade 7-8 students to an evening performance by author Stuart McLean at the Conexus Arts Centre. They were able to meet with the author privately prior to the show and talk to him about his work and then watch his performance. The students were thrilled as they had been learning about his writing at school prior to the event.
- The SCC members try to encourage people to visit the annual Scholastic book fair by gathering and donating door prizes.
- The SCC purchased Christmas gifts for the students which Santa delivered after the Christmas Concert. There was a literacy component as they had to read the instructions in order to create the craft.
- The SCC supported an event for Family Literacy Day where volunteer readers read stories to students in the evening, called “Books Before Bed”.

Teacher Appreciation:

- An edible arrangement was provided to staff to celebrate all their accomplishments during Teacher Appreciation Week. Both health and delicious.

Fund Raising:

- The SCC sponsored and organized 2 food sales to help raise money for the school as well as providing good homemade food to families. One was done in late fall prior to Christmas and another one prior to Easter. Perogy/cabbage rolls/pizza pop was for sale.
- The SCC worked with Cherry Lane Greenhouses to offer gift certificates for greenhouse products prior to Mother’s Day. A portion of each gift certificate purchased was given back to the school and was an excellent fundraiser.

SCC:

- The SCC sponsored the Kindergarten to Grade 2 students to attend a performance of Alice in Wonderland by students from the Do I With Class Young People’s Theatre at the Conexus Arts Centre.

- The SCC helped provide funding to purchase some self-regulation/sensory supplies to make up kits for each classroom. Items like wiggle seats, fidget tools, timers, exercise bands, lap pads and specialized pencils were ordered. These tools are meant to help students focus and maintain their attention in class.
- The SCC plans to purchase treats for the students on the last day of school as well as having a small celebration for the staff.

White City School Community Council Annual Activity Report

Promoting Community Initiative:

- All school council program volunteers are invited to an informal evening social to share, encourage on another, eat dessert and win a prize.
- A committee prepared and served a “for-purchase” BBQ lunch of hot dogs and hamburgers to track meet attendees, of the Grades 4-6 Track Meet and BBQ.
- At the year-end family picnic celebration, Council supplemented the school year-end picnic celebration with drinks and ice cream treats.
- White City School Partnerships Council is please to share a number of initiatives with White City School as we “Work Together For Success”.
- Once a month, volunteers provide an order-in- lunch for the students (K-4) called the Hot Lunch Program. This year’s program served a total of 1,965 children.
- September Welcome Back BBQ – was an outdoor supper event organized in conjunction with the school open house. Families were introduced to the staff and Community Council. Classrooms and displays were also visited.
- Grandparent’s day was over a number of half days. Grandparents and surrogate grandparents spend time at the school participating in activities with their grandchildren. Coffee and a cookie break were included in the visit.

Teacher Appreciation:

- An entire winter week is chosen to treat the teachers. Throughout the week a variety of surprises were shared and concluded with a Friday potluck lunch.
- On the first day of fall report cards and interviews, a potluck supper was prepared for the staff.
- R.A.K./Room Parent Program - Room Parents worked with the teachers to assist when a helping hand was needed and to remember the teachers at special times throughout the year.
- “Random Acts of Kindness” was part of the program to remember the teachers and support staff; however, these acts of kindness were also shared among the entire school.

Fundraisers:

- Fall blitz offered freezer goodies in time for Christmas
- The spring blitz included greenhouse vouchers and frozen meat items.
- In 2010-2011, \$2,718.00 was raised for the work of the SCC.

SCC:

- The Teacher Wish List purchases are ongoing.
- The Field Trip bus transportation is ongoing.
- The student awards are ongoing.
- The teacher retirements and farewells are ongoing.
- Two SMART boards were purchased in 2011.
- Children's Hospital Foundation and Juvenile Diabetes (2011).

Whitewood School Community Council Annual Activity Report

Literacy Initiative:

- The SCC has a literacy program and gave free books to children from birth up to Kindergarten. These are given out twice a year.

SCC:

- One of the SCC's goals this year was to promote perfect attendance from Kindergarten to Grade 12. We found that with this encouragement, attendance was better than last year.
- The SCC ran the PARTY program for the Grade 10 students in Whitewood and Broadview.

