

## School Profile 2016-2017

- 4 Multi-Level Classrooms (66 students)
- 5.5 Full time professional staff
- 4 support staff
- Outdoor, Experiential Learning
- Full Day Kindergarten
- Preschool Program (January-June)
- High Level of Family Involvement



## Our Beliefs

*We are a safe and caring community of learners.*

*We are mindful in our words and in our actions.*

*We value ourselves, others, and the environment.*

*We can fix, and learn from, our mistakes.*

## Our Future

Questions to take us into the 2017-2018 school year include:

What is it we expect students to learn?

How will we know when they have learned it?

How will we respond when some students don't learn it?

How do we respond to those who already know it?



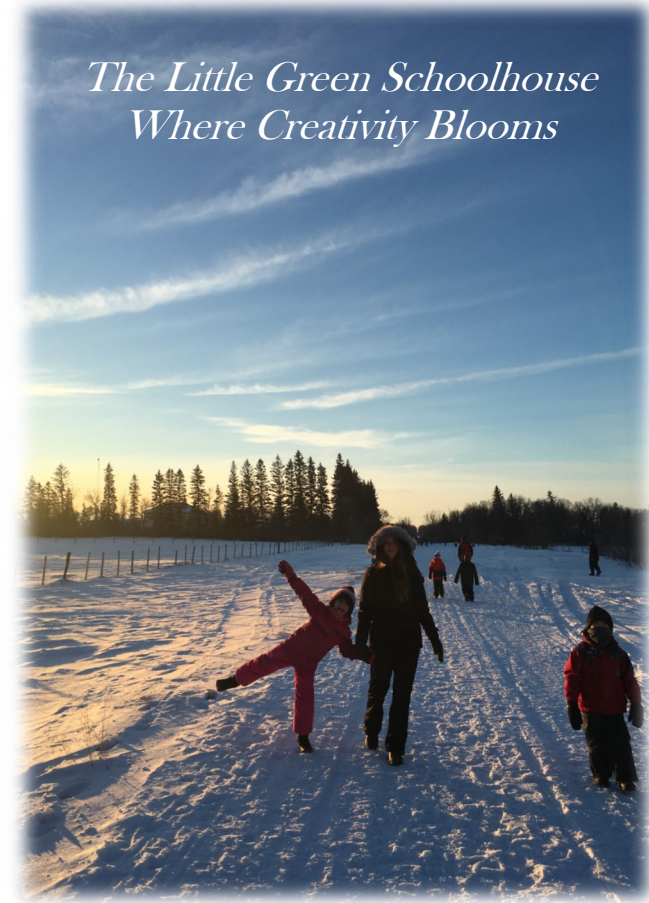
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# Brant-Argyle School

*The Little Green Schoolhouse  
Where Creativity Blooms*



## Report to the Community 2017

# Meeting our Goals

## 1.1 Literacy

*Vision: To actively engage students, staff, and families in literacy goals.*

- ◆ consistent collaboration between early years teachers and their classes allowed for positive literacy centers and significant literacy gains
- ◆ Home reading library and program was updated leading to positive feedback from students and families
- ◆ Strong journal writing in middle years with provincial recognition in Remembrance Day writing contest
- ◆ All students took part in film making with Artist in Residence, Randy Guest

## 1.2 Numeracy



*Vision: To consistently use math strategies that reduce anxiety, improve confidence, and encourage risk taking in mathematics.*

- ◆ Variety of math games, math stations, and home math bags created and implemented
- ◆ Mental Math Wall made and beautiful sun catcher incentive added
- ◆ Introduction of guided math shows increased confidence in middle years
- ◆ Improved fact accuracy and speed evident in all classrooms

## 2. Positive, Respectful Learning Environment

*Vision: To use the medicine wheel and the seven grandfather teachings as foundation for creating a mindful, restitution based program.*

- ◆ Staff, Students, and families introduced to the seven teachings (one per month) through activities and assemblies hosted by the students.
- ◆ Common language consistently used amongst school community
- ◆ Staff and students created our own agenda book that reflect Brant-Argyle beliefs



## 3. (Student, Staff, and Community) Intellectual Engagement

*Vision: To actively engage students, staff, and the community in the ownership and operation of our school and school yard.*



- ◆ Students in k-3 engaged in inquiry project on bees that involved parents, Fort Whyte Centre, and local apiarist
- ◆ All classes continue to have high involvement with the care of our laying hens, green houses, and gardens
- ◆ Outdoor sink area and greenhouse table built with help from the Scientists in the Classroom grant
- ◆ Raspberry bushes planted
- ◆ Large compost bin and two rain barrels purchased for use in fall 2017

### The School Planning Process

Brant-Argyle School communicates with parents in person, through positive home contacts, via the school newsletter, and through social media such as twitter and class blogs. Monthly, we meet with our very active BAACSL (Brant-Argyle Advisory Council of School Leaders). During an open house in September and Student Showcase evening in April, we ask parents for written feedback or wishes for our school.