

Teacher Representative Report to School Council

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- Pinnacle – general info

This year all schools in Livingstone Range are using an electronic grade book. Our school is up and running using this for daily attendance. Teachers are beginning to record student achievement in the program in preparation for report cards. Some training time is available through the year for teachers to continue refining their use of Pinnacle through the AISI budget. The first report card (going home in early December) will be generated through Pinnacle. While it may look different, it is essentially the same as before, just reorganized differently. Watch for more information about reporting in the next few weeks. We need your advice- should we plan a parent information evening prior to report cards going home?

- IEPT= Inclusive Education Planning Tool- info/update

HAS was selected to participate in a pilot project for electronic “Learner Profiles”. Teachers in grades 1-3 will participate in using the tool and will be solicited for feedback. It is anticipated that the IEPT will become standard in the province soon so teaching staff decided to participate when there is funding available for training. Teachers have the option of creating Learner Profiles for all students in class, but have a minimum requirement this year for students previously “coded” for special needs as well as those working below grade level.

- Parent Work Group

“Thank you, thank you, thank you!”. Your help has alleviated some of the ‘busy’ work that takes our time after school and on weekends.

- Home Reading Program funds- use and distribution

Last year school council agreed to donate funds to classrooms for home-reading programs. Teachers are wondering about your guidelines for the use of and distribution of these funds.

- Rides for walking students

At a spring school council meeting the idea of organizing rides for students to and from school was discussed. This would apply to those students who are within the 2.4 km distance that disqualifies them for bussing. With winter approaching, we are wondering if this discussion might be considered once again.

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