

Parent Communication Plan

Dear Parent/Guardian:

I am looking forward to working with your child throughout the year. This note will outline some of the goals and expectations for your child this year. If at any time you have any questions or concerns regarding your child please do not hesitate to contact me at the school or through the agenda.

Communication will include:

Agendas

School website: pictoulandingschool.ca

Check in phone calls

Report cards

Parent teacher interviews

Assessment

Assessment in the Primary classroom is ongoing and carried out in a variety of ways.

Informal and formal observation

Checklists and rubrics

Anecdotal records

Work samples

Running records

Conferences

Curriculum

At the beginning of this school year, the Department of Education has introduced a streamlined integration curriculum for Primary-3. When your child brings home their report cards you will notice fewer Science, Health, Art and Social Studies comments. These areas have not been erased, they have simply have been integrated into larger English Language Arts and Math Ideas.

Language Arts

We will work on developing active listening habits, and the ability to share ideas and express feelings and opinions. We will learn to read simple predictable texts, and find carries a message, and we will write and share our stories. In addition there will be lots of word study such as rhyming and blending to read new words.

Math

We will be learning about numbers to 10, and counting to 20, learning about simple patterns, sorting and measuring, and being introduced to the concept of joining different combinations to 10.

Social Studies

- ~Special Me
- ~Identity and groups that they belong
- ~traditions, roots, cultural celebrations

Science

- ~Exploring sand and water
- ~Exploring materials and objects
- ~Exploring different Living Things

Health

- ~recognize a range of emotions
- ~appreciate diversity of family structure
- ~Safe practices for injury and disease

Visual Arts

- ~incorporating artwork of by diverse cultures including Mikmaq and African Nova Scotians
- ~language of art
- ~creating art

Homework

It is very important to read with your child 10-15 minutes a night. As the year progresses we will be sending home “just right books” (not too challenging nor too easy) for your child to read to someone at home. Please return these books to keep our library full.

And Finally....

If there is anything I can do to further help and support your child please contact me.

Sincerely

Nadine & Bridget