# Accountability Report 2012-2013 Portage Hutterian Schools

2012-2013

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# SPECIAL POINTS Of interest:

- 26 graduates in 2012-2013
- New Kindergarten to Grade 8 Physical Education Program introduced.
- Govern Generals
   Award was won by
   Heidi Waldner from
   Norquay Colony.

# **ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT:**

The Hutterian Schools Department works closely with its staff, students and parent advisory council. At our meetings goals and concerns are identified and plans are developed. The following is a summary of our Mission and Mandate Statements as well as the education goals, plans, and successes that have been achieved during the school year. We believe that a strong partnership between the staff, students and parent advisory committee members is essential to improve the education for students at our colony schools. We believe that school planning, school visitations, and the partnership with the Hutterian Communities and our schools is crucial to student

success. The following report has been prepared to continue to keep the parents of our students and their communities informed.



# **MISSION STATEMENT:**

Partners Pursuing Quality

Education

# **MANDATE:**

Hutterian Schools are responsible for ensuring that all students have the opportunity to acquire the basic knowledge, skills and attitudes needed to be self-reliant, responsible, caring and contributing members of a Hutterian Community without having to leave their home community or compromise Colony beliefs.

# **HUTTERIAN EDUCATION GOALS**

GOAL 1: Students achieve high standards in an Education focused on what students need to learn.

GOAL 2: to enable the Hutterian Schools' Advisory Council to be an effective voice and support for education.

Goal 3: to provide the neces-

sary professional development to support the staff as they strive to reach the other goals.

Goal 4: to secure the technology that will enhance student learning and increase efficiency and flexibility of delivery.

Goal 5: to improve communication.

# A C C O U N T A B I L I T Y R E P O R T 2 O 1 1 -2 O 1 2

# HUTTERIAN PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

Chairperson: Ivan Stahl

Vice-Chairperson: David Gross

Secretary Treasurer: Lyndon Waldner
Hutterian Schools Dept.: Bruce McCallum

Staff Representative: Brent Hoar

Brantwood Colony: Ivan Stahl/Terry Waldner

Elm River (Brennan): Herb Hofer

Good Hope Colony: Eddie Wollmann

Grand Colony (Ingleside School): Ernie Waldner/Marvin Stahl

Norquay Colony School: Lyndon Waldner

Northern Breeze Colony: Brian Hofer

Sommerfeld Colony: Clarence Gross/David Gross

Sunnyside Colony: Darren Waldner

Westroc Colony: Levi Gross/Lyndon Gross

Woodland Colony: Corny Hofer

Out of Division

Forest Home Colony-Eugene Hofer

Beaver Creek-Jake Waldner

Muller Colony-Charles Gross

Marble Ridge Colony

Broad Valley Colony-Ernie Wipf

Riverside Colony-Eli Gross

Rolling Acres Colony—Daniel Hofer

# **HUTTERIAN SCHOOLS ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

- Changes in education curricula has meant that teachers have spent many hours reading, attending PD, and discussing with colleagues and in grade group and subject group meeting.
- Last year schools successfully introduced the new Provincial Report Card.
- A total of 26 students received their High School Diplomas in June 2013.
- Sharing of Hutterian Education information with German teachers took place at each Parent Advisory Council Meeting as well as with the teaching staff at staff meetings.
- The Early Literacy program continued to be an asset.
- A Kindergarten to Grade 8 Physical Education Program was introduced. Mr. Colin Thompson was hired as an itinerant K-8 Phys. Ed teacher. Students were introduced in basic movement skills, individual and team tactics as well as rules of various sports and respect during competition.

# **Early Literacy Statistics**

- 62% of all grade 1 students scored 100% on the division's phonological awareness test; 23% scored over 90%.
- 85% of all grade 1 students scored 100% on the Letter Identification Test.
- 38% of all Grade 1 students were reading at or above grade level; 23% are approaching grade level. (These scores
  are actually very good considering these students are just learning English and are trying to read in their second
  language-research shows that EAL students usually catch up to standards by grade 3-4)

## BRENNAN SCHOOL—ELM RIVER COLONY 25 STUDENTS

<u>Music Classes: Students:</u> Students are learning – choir singing, sight singing, theory, boom whackers, tone chimes, and singing in parts.

# Performances/Celebrations:

Christmas Concert: Wednesday, December 19, 2012, an ideal opportunity to showcase students music achievements and oral language skills while presenting the Christmas message. All K-12 students participated.

<u>Parent/Teacher/Student Gathering:</u> Open house for fall parent/teacher day: all colony members were invited to attend and participate in an evening of games and learning activities.

<u>Philanthropy Projects:</u> Samaritan's Purse: Operation Christmas Child—filling shoe boxes with toys and hygiene items to present to needy children around the world. Pennies for the Poor: primary students collected \$60.00 in pennies. This money was donated to United Wayto purchase polio vaccine for needy children. "Bag Up" Manitoba collected plastics bags for Take Pride Manitoba contest and won a bench made out of recycled materials.

<u>I Love to Read Activities for February:</u> Guest reader—Mrs. Catherine Newham and attended Lulu and the Tom Cat concert at Silverwinds School.

# Fieldtrips:

Sledding trip to Valley View Bible Camp

Multi Colony Track and Field: K-4 at Wingham Colony; Grades 5-12 at Poplar Point Colony. Yearend Field Trip to Winkler Bible Camp

<u>School Publications:</u> Twice a year we publish a school newsletter which showcases our students written and artistic talents . Grad commemorative publication.

<u>Poetry and Drama:</u> Our grade K to 6 students participated in Hutterer Poesiefest (German Poetry Fest). Serena Maendel received a gold medal in the Kindergarten Category.

Prairie Sounds Festival: K-6 students recited poetry at the festival, Daria Hofer (grade 6) winner of best Solo Spoken Poetry

**Guest Speakers/Presenters:** Joanne Tokar presented on Vision Safety

**Graduation:** Caleb Hofer completed high school and will convocate with 2013 class.

# Teacher/Principal

Elma Maendel (Grades K—4)

**Teacher** 

Robert Maendel

# Music/High School Teacher

Karen Maendel (Grades K-12)

# Life Skills Teacher

Tannis Andrich

Resource

Pattie Lawrence

# **Educational Assistant**

Linda Maendel

**Garret Hoffer** 







**Graduates 2013**Caleb Hofer

# BRANTWOOD COLONY 25 STUDENTS

- Reading Buddies
- I Love to Read Month
- Christmas Concert
- Sports Day



# Teacher/Principal

John Paramor (grade K-8)

# Teacher

Tori Graham/Karen Hodge (Grades K-4)

# **Educational Assistant**

Gwen Armishaw

# GOOD HOPE COLONY

# 24 STUDENTS

# Extra Curricular Activity:

- Went swimming to PCU Centre as a recreational activity and for swimming lessons every Thursday.
- Participated in the German Hutterer Poesie Fest in Baker
- Participated in the Mountain Poetry and Drama Festival in Fairholme

# Track and Field

- K to 4 participated in the 6th Annual Hutterian Track and Field in June hosted by Wingham Colony.
- Grades 5 to 12 participated in the 6th Annual Hutterian Track and Field in June Hosted by Poplar Point Colony and were awarded the Girls Champion banner for the third time.

# Field Trip

- Visited the Canadian Fossil Discovery Centre n Mordon. (October)
- Went sledding to Rogers Hill at Valleyview Bible Camp along with Green Acres and Poplar Point. (February)
- Went to Winkler Bible Camp. (May)
- Respective High School Students:
  - \* Health 9—workshop in Fairholme (December)
  - \* Social Studies 9—toured Parliament Building and observed Parliament in Session in Winnipeg. (April)
  - \*Science 9-Lab in Fairholme. (April)
  - \* Strategic Reading 9—Workshop in Fairholme. (April)
  - \* Art 10-Winnipeg Art Gallery in Winnipeg. (May)
  - \* Geography 10—3 day camping trip at Victoria Beach. (June)

# **Graduates:**

Fredrick Waldner

Martin Wollman

Teacher/Principal

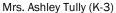
Sandra Wollmann

Teacher

Eddie Wollmann

### INGLESIDE SCHOOL 34 STUDENTS

- Meet the Teacher-September 2012
- Popcorn Party
- **Making Candy Apples**
- Terry Fox Walk—The Section
- Student of the Week-Primary
- Group of the Month-Middle
- Reading Buddies
- Leveled Reading
- Guest Speaker Amanda Thorsteinsson on Life in Africa
- **Pumpkin Carving**
- "traveled" to Mexico-made piñatas, ate tacos
- Christmas around the World
- **Christmas Concert**
- Christmas Activity week
- Operation Christmas Child Boxes
- Daily 5
- Math Workshop
- Healthy Schools Grant—Healthy Eating Stations
- Mental Health Grant-Yoga and Meditation
- Student Led Conferences
- Volunteering Salvation Army
- Rodger's Hill
- Valentines Day Party
- 150 Day!
- I love to Read Month
- Guest Readers: Mr. McCallum, Mr. Jowett, Mrs. Wing, Marvin, Derek C., Ms. Lawrence, Mr. Chichlowski, RCMP Officer
- Spirit week
- Earth Day
- Caterpillar and Butterflies
- **Grand Colony Hosts Farm Safety**
- Field Day and BBQ



**Teacher Principal** 

**Teacher Principal** 

Ms. Melissa Chichlowski (4-8)

**Educational Assistants** 

Mrs.Dorthy Blight

Mrs. Brenda Krahn

"Optimism is the faith that leads to achievement, nothing can be done without hope and confidence"

**Helen Keller** 





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### 22 STUDENTS NORQUAY COLONY SCHOOL

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- $\Diamond$ Seasonal Activities
- $\Diamond$ Caroling
- $\Diamond$ Sledding at Valley View Bible Camp
- $\Diamond$ I Love to Read Month
- $\Diamond$ Music Monday
- $\Diamond$ Quilting Bee
- $\Diamond$ Track and Field Day
- $\Diamond$ Walking Wednesdays
- $\Diamond$ Student Led Conferences
- $\Diamond$ Professional Development for Teachers
- $\Diamond$ Exams, Awards Days for High School
- $\Diamond$ Yearbook
- $\Diamond$ Graduation

# Teacher / Principal

Val Steppan

# **Educational Assistant**

Marilyn Lawrence

# Heidi Waldner

won the Governors General Award for 2012-2013.



### NORTHERN BREEZE COLONY SCHOOL **26 STUDENTS**

- Parents Meeting September
- Terry Fox Walk/Run around the Section, 6.4km
- Fire Safety Presentation by Corey Jowatt
- Two Ways Out-Fire Safety program
- Harvest Party
- Fall birthday Party
- "Bag Up" Take Pride Winnipeg Contest—1st place in rural schools
- "Movember" activities
- Samaritan's Purse—Operation Christmas Child Boxes
- Salvation Army Volunteering grade 4-8
- Island of Lights-Dinner together in Portage
- Christmas Concert
- Kids in Philanthropy Program—funds donated to Big Brothers and Cancer Care
- Home Reading Program
- Winters Birthdays Party
- Student of the month, every month
- I Love to Read Month—set and met reading goals, many guest readers
- 100th Day Activities
- Valentine's Party-King and Queen Crowned
- Secret Friends gift Exchange

# **Teacher Principal**

Betty Jean Checkley

## Teacher

Carla Popoff/Tannis Andrich Grade K to 3

**Educational Assistant** 



Joel Waldner

**Stacy Waldner** 

from Northern

**Breeze** 

- Nutrition Presentation-Janice Telford
- Visit from Daisy Dowhy-Cancer Care Services
- Nutrition Month activies and food treats (fund from Health Schools Grant)
- Sun Safety Care—by Janice Telford
- Early Literacy with Diane Wing
- **Buddy Reading**
- Mother's Day/Friendship Theme Tea-guest speaker Karen Pain
- Presentation from Portage Foundation
- Yearbook created with Students
- Field Day Awrads

# **Graduates:**

**Heidi Waldner** 

from Norquay

Jerome Hofer

Alyssa Waldner

### SUNNYSIDE COLONY SCHOOL **27 STUDENTS**

September:

High School Orientation Night Back to School Night Swimming Lessons

Terry Fox Walk

October:

Swimming Lessons Harvest Fest

**November:** Swimming Lessons

Student Led Conferences

December:

Swimming Lessons

Report Card Distribution

**Christmas Songs** 

February:

Valentine's Day Party

I Love to Read Month Activi-

March:

Student Led Conferences

Art Smarts with Linda Henne-

May:

Spring Musical

June:

Field Trip to Winkler Bible

Camp

K to 4 track and Field Event

5 to 8 Track and Field KKindergarten Orientation

Graduation Sports Day Graduation

Teacher / Principal

Ann Latoski



# 25 STUDENTS

A Brand New Staff Snowshoeing and Cross Graduation Terry Fox Run

4 Students Enrolled in High

SOMMERFELD COLONY SCHOOL

School

Walk to School Day/Week

Harvest/Thanksgiving Party

Student Led Interviews

Shared Portfolios with Par-

ents

Wheelchair Workshop with SMD (Society for Manitobans with Disabilities)

Country Skiing in PE

Gingerbread House Making

Christmas Pizza Party

I Love to Read Activities

Kindergarten Party

Student of the Week/Month

Mother's Day Art

Father's Day Art

**Healthy Food Trials** 

Mexican Party

Field Day Extravaganza





Teacher/Principal

Maria Metzlaff

**Teacher** 

Kara Zwarich

**Educational Assistant** 

Samantha White

# **Graduates:**

Janella Kleinsasser **Elliot Kleinsasser** Kaitlyn Kleinsasser **Colby Kleinsasser** from Sunnyside **Josiah Gross** from Sommerfeld **Lorna Hofer from** 

### WOODLANDS COLONY SCHOOL 31 STUDENTS

- Boston Pizza Reading Program
- "Bag Up" manitoba
- K to 8 Terry Fox Run
- Guest Readers during I Love to Read Month
- **Christmas Concert**
- 100th Day Celebration
- Valentine's Day Party
- Sports Day
- Graduation

# Teacher/Principal

Kathy Simpson

Teacher

Kara Zwarich

**Educational Assistant** 

Brenda Krahn

Tanner Waldvogel



Woodlands









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# WESTROC COLONY SCHOOL

# **36 STUDENTS**

I Love to Read Month-Guest September:

Readers

Terry Fox Run Valentines Day Party Parent Meeting 100th Day Celebration

Student of the Month March:

October: **Spring Easter Activities** Thanksgiving Activities St. Patrick's Day Activities

Harvest Party May:

November: Mother's Day Tea and Power Point

Presentation Remembrance Day Activities

**Dental Presentation** December:

June: **Christmas Concert** 

Field Day and Awards Gingerbread House Making

February:

# Teacher/Principal

Sheryl Livingston

**Teacher** 

Carla Popoff

# **Educational Assistant**

Carol Vlooswyk

Jackie Davey

# HONOUR ROLL HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM

# Grade 9:

Kalene Maendel-New Rosedale Becky Gross-Muller

Courtney Kleinsasser-Sunnyside Gabriel Gross-Muller

Damarius Hofer-Woodlands Justin Gross-Muller

Natalie Hofer-Woodlands Judah Hofer-New Rosedale

Larissa Hofer-Forest Home Renita Hofer-Marble Ridge

Lucas Waldner-Riverside

Rachelle Waldner-Beaver Creek

Andrew Gross—Woodlands

# Grade 12:

Grade 11:

Heidi Waldner-Norquay

Brendan Hofer-Northern Breeze

Jayden Waldner-Northern Breeze

Stephanie Waldner-Forest Home

Joel Waldner-Norquay

Kelly Gross-Muller

Ashley Hofer-Marble Ridge

Georgina Hofer-Marble Ridge

Josiah Gross-Sommerfeld

Janella Kleinsasser-Sunnyside

Nathanael Hofer-Woodlands

# Grade 10:

Jonathon Waldner—Norquay

Laura Waldner-Norquay

Sylvester Baer-New Rosedale

Jasmyn Gross-Muller

Eleana Hofer-New Rosedale

Iris Hofer-New Rosedale

Waylon Hofer-Forest Home

Suzanna Baer-New Rosedale



# Graduates 2012-2013

Stacey Waldner—Norquay

Josiah Gross—Sommerfeld

Colby Kleinsasser—Sunnyside

Elliot Kleinsasser—Sunnyside

Janelle Kleinsasser—Sunnyside

Kaitlyn Waldner—Sunnyside

Charlene Hofer—Woodlands

Nathanael Hofer—Woodlands

Silas Waldner—Beaver Creek



Chris Hofer—Forest Home

Joni Hofer-Forest Home

Julie Hofer—Forest Home

Julie Gross—Muller

Kelly Gross-Muller

Ben Hofer-Muller

Ashley Hofer—Marble Ridge

Georgina Hofer—Marble Ridge

Caleb Hofer—Brennan

Fredrick Waldner—Good Hope

Martin Wollman—Good Hope

Daniel Wipf—Broad Valley

Davis Wipf—Broad Valley

Jaden Wipf—Broad Valley

Joseph Waldner—Emerald

Heidi Waldner—Norquay

Joel Waldner—Norquay