Principal's Message 2022-23

Welcome! Bienvenue! I am so excited to begin my 5th year as principal at École Vickers Public School. We have an amazing school community and we are looking forward to engaging our families and creating a joyful learning environment for both teachers and students. Our Backpack Drop was a resounding success and we heard so much positive feedback, we will definitely offer it again next year!

Saskatchewan Rivers Public School Division is committed to literacy and "Excellence for Every Learner." Check out the SRPSD Strategic Plan at https://www.srsd119.ca/wp-content/uploads/BED_RL_SRPSD_Strategic Plan August 30 2021.pdf which outlines the division priorities.

The staff at Vickers are dedicated to literacy and have high expectations for our students. Our math goal is in its third year of implementation and we have a focus on high-impact strategies to improve our math literacy. Our teachers loved reading the book, *Building Thinking Classrooms*, and have applied many of the great ideas from it. We have two math coaches in our school, Mrs. Bergen and M. Mugford, who are strengthening teacher capacity and supporting student learning.

Our admin team changed over the summer – welcome to M. Jérèmie Vogt, our new vice-principal. Mr. Tyler Kuzma continues in his third year as vice-principal. Our team is ready to serve our school community and create a school culture that is safe, caring, and learning-focused.

Parent engagement in school is crucial to your child's success. We always appreciate your input so please feel free to call or email us to share your thoughts and questions. Two important things you should sign up for:

- 1. **EDSBY** this is the platform for all teachers to do daily attendance, enter grades, share posts about learning that is occurring in the classroom, and a communication tool between parents and teachers. You will even use this to book your parent-teacher conferences and view report cards. An invitation to sign up will be sent to your email.
- 2. School KEV the online method for paying all things school related sign up with the link provided to pay school activity fees, hot lunches, field trips, etc. It only takes minutes to set up and I promise you will never forget another hot lunch or the deadline for a payment! https://srsd119.schoolcashonline.com

We are working on a new online newsletter format – our hope is to have it out for October. It has many great features including a translator option for different first languages.

I wish everyone a successful 2022-23 school year filled with exciting new learning opportunities!

Mrs. J. Green Principal