

# CheckMark

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## Christopher Lake Public School's Drama Club Puts on a Great Show

On May 22nd, the gymnasium at Christopher Lake Public School was transformed into a magical theatre where the Drama club, (led by Mrs. Coombs and Mrs. Hazzard), put on the ultimate performance task. Students in grades 3 to 8 participated in the wonderful production of Roald Dahl's The B.F.G. (Big Friendly Giant).

Days before the production, stomachs were all butterflies as the players practiced their parts, got into their roles and tried on costumes. Many thanks to the students who attended countless



hours of practices, designed and made sets, set up lighting, set up staging, worked to create sound effects and backdrops to create a fantastic, professional looking set.

The parents and community members that came out enjoyed

the humor and drama of the play. They laughed, they cried, they had a great time enjoying a play with their family and friends! Once again proving that Christopher Lake Public School is committed to making literacy a huge part of our students' lives.

## Director's Message

Another school year has nearly finished and it was full of outstanding results for students! Was this past year your family's first one with us? Are you one of the thousands of families who have called Saskatchewan Rivers Public School Division home for years? Are you one of the tens of thousands of people who support our schools even though you do not have school-aged children? Whatever your role in our community, I want to thank you for trusting our staff and for supporting the work we do every day.

Our world needs literate students who acquire fundamental skills in Language Arts and Math and then develop their ability to think, apply and communicate in every subject area. SRPSD has outstanding staff members who work very hard

to achieve great results and we are thankful for the support of families, friends and neighbours who are also working hard to ensure our students have success. We strive to achieve excellence and without you we would not have been able to ensure every student makes progress. I hope this school year that is almost complete was great and I look forward to working with you and your family in the fall as together we pursue excellence for every learner.



Yours in education,

Robert Bratvold  
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*Excellence for Every Learner*

## East Central students participate in “Tomatosphere”



be one of the many foods used to support a long-term human mission, establishing a base on the Moon, and then to Mars. The CSA sent us 2 bags of seed labelled “G” and “W”. One of the set was primed, which means that they have processed to the point of almost germinating and then stopped. Students had to determine which set of seeds germinated the fastest. No one knew which one except for the Space Agency. Students carefully planted and grew the tomato seeds to find out that “W” germinated the fastest. Everyone gets to take the plants home and eat tomatoes once they are ready... YUM!!!



**E**ast Central’s Grade 5/6 Class participated in Tomatosphere in May. This project is through the Canadian Space Agency for students all over North America. Classrooms in grades 2-10 conduct experiments to investigate the effects of the space environment on the growth of food (i.e. the tomato) that will

## Taking Care of Business



**T**he PAA30 Survey class with teacher, **Mr. Dennis Sommerfeld**, at W.P. Sandin in Shellbrook have developed a business model which includes product lines, marketing, inventory storage and management. To date the orders of their garden art objects have been strong. They hope to surpass their gross sales target of three thousand dollars for the semester.

## 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning

**D**estiNation Imagination is a program that engages students in learning opportunities that foster growth with 21st century skills or the 4Cs - creativity, collaboration, critical thinking, and communication. Students are presented with challenges focused on a variety of subject areas and must work in teams to create solutions for these challenges. A DestiNation

Imagination instant challenge afternoon was held at PACI on April 17th with over 160 SRPSD students attending the event. Congratulations to all of the students who participated in the event and to the winning teams from Princess Margaret Public School, Westview Community Public School, Wild Rose Public School and Arthur Pechey Public School.



*DestiNation Imagination at PACI*

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## An Evening of the Arts at Meath Park Public School

On May 30, 2013, The Junior, Senior and Intermediate Bands and Food Design 20/30 class of Meath Park Public School shared “An Evening of the Arts” with students, staff and members of the surrounding community. Each year the Food Design (20/30) class with teacher **Mrs. Kathryn Hughes** ends the year with a Performance Task that is known as The Final Venture. The students use the knowledge and skills learned during the course to successfully plan, prepare for and present a function. This incorporates the Entrepreneurship, Hospitality and Food Studies components of this PAA Survey Course in a meaningful and realistic way. All of the students agree that this is an authentic assessment as they are ‘doing’ as opposed to



‘writing’ about their knowledge. In the past the Food Design 20/30 students have hosted several dinner parties for invited (paying) guests. Last year, the Food Design class held a Dessert Theatre with students who joined the Drama Club to perform “The Audition.” This year we teamed up with **Mrs. Krista**

**McCaw** to bring together “An Evening of the Arts.” The music presented by the Bands also served as their year-end performance task. The annual Final Band Concert is an opportunity to share music worked on throughout the year. Also featured during the evening’s festivities was “The Ponies”, a group of students who formed an acoustic cover band with the support of Mrs. McCaw. The Food Design 20/30 class provided the ‘fruits’ of their Culinary Arts to accompany the music. The evening was a resounding success! Thanks to all those in attendance that made the evening so enjoyable. We could not have achieved such great success without your ongoing support and enthusiasm!

## National Prize Awarded to Debden Public School

A prize package worth \$3600 was awarded to Debden Public School by CBC Radio-Canada on Friday, May 3, 2013. The prize package is comprised of the complete series set of DVDs of the French TV program Oniva (all 10 seasons), an iPad (won by Pascal Marchildon), Oniva posters signed by the hosts, and a special edition package of Oniva gum for each participant. To win this prize, Grades 3, 4, 7, & 8 students sent in the highest number of challenge question responses in all of Canada from January to May. Felicitations!



*Debden Students and Staff*



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# LONG SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS & RETIREES

*were honoured at the June 2013 Recognition Event.*

## 10 YEARS

Catherine Anderson Tracy Astrope Michelle Blais-Court Brandi Byers Lisa Campbell Willard Chester Lorelei Clifford Debra Coffin Dana Doran Lisa Dryka	Jennie Enns Paul Ericson Yvette Hamel Michelle Hamel-Milligan Kathy Hartnett Jill Helgason Patrick Helgason Kelsa Henry Remy Tracy Hill Jennifer Huddleston	Paula Jacobson Loralee Kalinowski Petrica Klassen Eric Knutson Bonnie Kuppenbender Lindsay Kyliuk Joanne Lafleur Rhea Lavoie Maurice Lemire Karen Lindskog	Russell Meschishnick Sharon Meyers Teresa Miller Jacalyn Jack Colleen Receveur Taryn Rieger Holly Rimmer Mark Rolfes Richard Schwehr Marian Sheldon-Byrne	Dennis Sommerfeld Tim Strom Barbara Tisserand Lynn Tyerman-Pauls Lynnae Wagner Cheryl Yungwirth
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## 15 YEARS

Shelly Acorn Pamela Aitken Kathleen Alexandersen Dawn Marie Anderson Shannon Auramenko Dorothy Barton Patrick Boyer Gayle Boyle Marjorie Bradley Diana Couture Irene Danger	Ronald Fines Alice Finnestad Donna Gottfried Sheri Gunville Sherry Gunville Carrie Hazelwood Patricia Hicks Linda Hodgins Brent Holmen Cathy Howland Vicki Johnson	Janet Jurgens Karla Kazmiruk Jocelyn Kennedy Lana Kyliuk Marcia Lawson Brenda Lecomte Robert Leland Shelley Lettvenuk Bonnie Lueken Lorelle Meyer Debbie Michayluk	Stacey Monette Barry Nixon Dale Olsen Darcy Patchin Valerie Payton Myrna Peterson Ean Prosser Phil Ruel Donna Schrader David Seto Gina Sinoski	Susan Siwak Michelle Sterling Marilee Taylor Cheryl Tetarenko Tammy Twyver Brian Vedress Carolyn Vis Bernie Ward Carol Wilkinson Mary Woodcock Penny Zelensky
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## 20 YEARS

Don Abramyk Mike Basaraba Shelby Currie	Heather Edwards Wendy Fallis Pam Grassick	Darlene Handley Les Jack Virginia Kostyniuk Jeffrey Kyliuk	Norma Lepage Kristy Martin Alvin Parenteau Tanya Price-Wright	Patricia Tetreault Denise Wilson
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## 25 YEARS

Elise Beaulac Robert Brillinger Elizabeth Chapelle Colleen Code	Janine Dubyk Ron Foster Loretta Maltby Linda Njaa	Colleen Northey Lynn Peterson
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## 30 YEARS

Maggie Bergen Anne Blais Janis Hradec	Perry Ksyniuk Sherry Moar Margaret Zulkoskey
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## 35 YEARS

Elaine Beres Dianne Birkeland	Dorothy Cholewa Fred Stephens
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## 40 YEARS

David Bissky

## RETIREES

Maggie Bergen Gayle Boyle David Brown Sandra Brown Norman Bruce Sonia Cherepuschak Colleen Code	Alice Cullen Leona Davidson Roseline Duret Doug Halcro Shirley Lowe Val Mamczasz Neil Martin	Phyllis McTaggart Dennis Moniuk Linda Njaa Judy Norheim-Poncelet Robert Paul Read Pease Jim Penner	Valerie Preston-Zbaraschuk Sandra Quayle Paul Roy Phillipe Ruel Cathy Ruxton Wasyl Rybalka Anne Schmalz	Bill Simpson Karen Spencer Fred Stephens Lucy Tessier Denise Wilson
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