

## Welcome to Borden School and the Village of Borden!

On behalf of the School Community Council, and Borden School staff, parents, and students, we extend a warm welcome to you. We look forward to working together in the coming months.

As you are probably already aware, Borden School is a Kindergarten to Grade 12 school and student enrollment usually stays between 95 and 105 students. We have a mixture of kids that live here in town as well as kids that are bussed from rural areas. In past years, Borden School has offered many extra curricular activities to both junior and senior students, including volleyball, curling, track, badminton and basketball.

We have an active School Community Council, which usually meets once a month. We strive to bring community and school together through a variety of ways such as planning local talent nights, assisting with awards day celebrations, hosting information sessions such as internet safety and much more. We plan activities such as hot lunches, Christmas buffets, and other functions that are often supported by community partners and parents. Our committee works with staff at the school to assist in making decisions and providing feedback on behalf of the parents and community.

Although Borden is a small community, we have a lot to offer! Our local Co-op grocery store is a great place to have in town if you ever forget your lunch. Consider visiting one of our two restaurants if you feel like take out instead. We have a Canada Post Office, SGI issuer/agency, a Credit Union, hardware store and accounting services available in town. Check out the Troubadour Shoppe or the local farmers market, which is held every Friday (May-Sept). The Borden Community Hall hosts countless events such as weddings, anniversaries, Christmas Concerts, etc. and is home to the senior's center, Lakeland Library and the bowling alley. There are numerous small home-based businesses around the community. We have a terrific volunteer fire department and group of first responders. There's a Gas Plus gas station/confectionary in case you want to stop for a coffee in the morning. Students have partnered with the Borden Care Home and visited the museum and many of these local businesses during in town field trips.

We hope this brief overview of our school and community will be helpful as you settle into your new position. Please feel free to reach out to any of the School Community Council members with questions, ideas or suggestions. We look forward to getting to know you and hope you enjoy your time at Borden School.

Sincerely,

Borden School Community Council