

Literacy, Inclusion, Faith & Technology (LIFT) @ EMTS

<p><i>Literacy (L)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Literacy diagnostics have begun - STAR (Middle school), Fountas & Pinnell (Elementary and Middle School), Level B (Elementary and Middle School), GB+ French Immersion ● Literacy programming is now in place - Daily 5, Literacy Place ● We have 0.4 FTE teacher support for our French Immersion team. ● Learning Commons is furnished as a flexible learning space. ● Our Grade 9's and Grade 5's are coming together for a common Literacy block in the Learning Commons. 	<p><i>Inclusion (I)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Our Continuum of Supports meetings have been held with our Division support team to discuss school supports. ● Our LIFT teaching team meets once week on a 6 day rotation to discuss classroom, and students. ● English Language Learner (ELL - formerly ESL) programming is underway. ● Middle School team meet every two weeks to discuss students, activities and kudos in the Middle School. ● We continue to be supported at 0.6 FTE with a Family School Enhancement Counselor. ● We have 0.75 FTE for our school based counseling team. ● Our counseling team meets once week on a 6 day rotation with administration. ● Daily Physical Education is offered to all of our students in a 6 day rotation. ● Health is offered 1 block a week in a 6 day rotation. ● MIPI - Math Intervention Programming Instrument was completed and interventions are being planned.
<p><i>Faith (F)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Our School Division's Theme is "<i>God, let them see You in Me!</i>" "<i>Dieu, laissez-les Te voir en moi!</i>" ● We have identified 2 characteristics of the 8 Characteristics of Catholic Identity to focus on for this year - Humanness and Sacramentality. ● We currently have 0.2 FTE for a teacher Faith coach to support staff and permeation of Faith in the classrooms. ● We held our opening mass on September 12/18 with our parish priest. ● Family Groups were established at our Faith Retreat - professional development day ● Our Grade 9 students attended a 'Leaders Retreat' with our Division Youth Minister at Our Lady of Victory Camp on 	<p><i>Technology (T)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● We currently have 0.2 FTE for a teacher Technology coach to support technology use by teachers and students. ● Google Classroom is being utilized by teachers, support staff and students. ● PowerTeacher Pro has been adopted by all Middle School teachers - new interface for Gradebook and the student/parent online report card. ● Dossier is an App within Powerschool that assists with our Continuum of supports, and provides data to our staff to assist with teaching practices. ● We continue to refine our practices with our new reporting system Edsby. ● Our English Language Learners are being set up with Rosetta Stone accounts to support language acquisition.

September 19-21.

- Grade 4's received their Bibles on September 25/18 at our Division Bible celebration.
- Each grade is responsible for morning prayer over the public address system.
- We pray as a staff every Monday prior to the start of the day.
- Every classroom is responsible to have a visible prayer table.

Career and Skill Development

- Exploratory courses are offered every day on an Exploratory A/Exploratory B cycle.
- Middle School Students (7-9) have begun the many diverse Exploratory courses that can be selected by trimester - Developmental Basketball, Performance Theatre, Travel Studies, Basic Photography, Leadership, Science-Technology-Engineering-Mathematics (STEM), Foods, Minecraft, Band 7-9, Fit for Life, Be the Change, Construction
- Middle School Students (6) - Visual Art, Band 6, Cartooning, Foods, Drama, Dance, Stop Motion Animation, Literacy Comes Alive