



ROLLING RIVER SCHOOL DIVISION SUPERINTENDENT'S BULLETIN

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The TFS (Technology as a Foundation Skill) Development Continuum

Summary of Implementation Strategy

Technology has been identified as a foundation skill by MECY to be developed within the context of every subject area from Kindergarten to Senior 4. A continuum of ICT outcomes has been developed and Manitoba School Divisions are to implement the K-8 *Literacy with ICT* model beginning in 2006-07 with full implementation by the end of 2008/09. A division implementation plan will support all grade levels and move towards a model where ICT literacy skills are recognized and developed through integration with curriculum outcomes. RRSD's implementation team includes Mary Dalton (Coordinator), Chad Stiles (School Leader), Kathleen Muirhead (Middle Years) and Lisa Lobb (Early Years).

The focus for implementation for 2006-07 will be to identify two pilot schools to develop teacher awareness of the continuum and to have all K-8 teachers prepare and model an ICT learning experience(s). 2007-08 will include all K-8 classrooms with the pilot schools focusing on assessment and reporting. 2008-09 will be the culmination of the implementation period with division wide implementation including assessment and reporting of ICT to parents and communities.

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## **Healthy Kids, Healthy Futures Task Report**

*The Healthy Kids, Healthy Futures task force report has made recommendations in two key areas; nutrition and physical activity in Manitoba Schools.*

These recommendations will have a major impact on our schools. Although consultations are taking place, it would appear that physical education/health programming will be extended into Senior 3 and 4.

With regard to nutrition, the following recommendation was made in order to increase access to nutritious foods:

- ◆ all schools will be required to have a written food and nutrition policy as part of their school plan

The government will be providing schools with "Guidelines for Foods Served at Schools" in order to assist us.

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Reminder

A reminder of the Divisional Spring Concert - "Swing the Mood"! Come and see our talented young people perform at the Westman Centennial Auditorium on Wednesday, May 3rd at 7:00 p.m.

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We are in the home stretch now, keep up the good work and have a great month of May!

***Have a great May!***