

We believe Cookshire Elementary School is a unique learning environment where students excel in their individual strengths and develop a love of learning.

Cookshire Elementary School
95 Parc Street
Cookshire, QC JOB 1M0
(819) 875-3785

2009-2010
Grades K-6
Multi-Age Kindergarten
Hours of instruction: 8:10 a.m.- 2:45 p.m.



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School Community Information

<u>PRINCIPAL</u>	Norma Humphrey
<u>HEAD TEACHER</u>	Cora MacLeod
<u>SECRETARY</u>	Stéphanie Vachon
<u>COMMISSIONERS</u>	Duncan Eastman
<u>CARETAKER</u>	Robert Gillespie
<u>OFFICE HOURS</u>	8:15 a.m. to 12:10 p.m.



About our School

Cookshire Elementary is located in the heart of Compton County and draws its students from Cookshire, Island Brook, Eaton, Dudswell, East Angus and other surrounding areas. The majority of our students are French mother tongue and this year's enrolment from multi-age K - grade 6 totals 82 students.

Facilities:

Cookshire Elementary is the oldest school in the ETSB and our community cherishes and is very proud of our historical school. We have six classrooms along with a library, computer room, resource room, a gym which also serves as a cafeteria, a kitchen and an adult library open one day a week to serve the parents of our community.

There is a playground at the back of the school, complete with a soccer field and a variety of regular playground apparatus for the children. A multi-faceted play structure was added to the playground in September 2004.

Student Enrolment: 82 including 4 year olds
Number of Teachers: 9 teachers; 5 full-time

Governing Board

Chairperson: Robin Coleman
P.P.O.: Charlene Gibson
PC Rep.: Jean Rothney

The Cookshire Elementary Governing Board consists of five parents, four teachers, one support staff, two community representatives and the principal. The governing board held five meetings throughout the year. Meetings are open to the public.

Cookshire Elementary has a very active Parent Participation Organization, which meets monthly. The PPO assumes the role of chief fundraiser and is also a sounding board for our governing board.

Learning at our School

Academic Program

Curriculum Program

- Bilingual multiage kindergarten
- Language arts
- Mathematics
- Science and technology
- Social studies
- Art
- Physical education
- Ethics and religious cultures
- Second Step conflict resolution program

The Dennis McCullough Initiative - Enhanced Learning Strategy provides laptop computers for cycle 2 and 3 students to increase student achievement.

French Second Language

During 2008-2009 all students in cycles 1 to 3 received 450 minutes of instruction in French per week. This included the regular program along with physical education and one other subject in French (*arts plastiques, musique* or *univers social*). This is part of the ETSB Language Initiative.

Special Needs

All special needs students with active IEP's are integrated into regular classes. Our resource teachers, psycho educator and special education technician provide support to help students develop toward meeting their full potential.



Co-Curricular Program

- "Welcome Back" Barbeque - PPO
- Homework program
- Soccer
- Beach volleyball
- Basketball
- Badminton
- Track and field
- Cross country
- Swimming
- School-to-Work
- Fun Day
- Math competition
- Theatre
- Music
- Fundraising
- Christmas dinner
- Terry Fox Run
- Walk-A-Thon
- Swimming program
- Librarians
- Science fair
- Breakfast
- Carnival
- SOUPer Wednesday

School Events



Cookshire Elementary is proud of the many activities and events organized to complement the academic program. We begin each year with a bus safety assembly and then continue throughout the year with a wide variety of seasonal events including opening barbeque, Terry Fox Run, Walk-A-Thon, Halloween, Remembrance Day, Christmas concert, Fun Day, Naturalist Kat Usher, artists in the schools, job shadowing, entrepreneurship, Galt band, various field trips, parent-teacher interviews, science fair, carnival, Pajama Day, board-wide math competition (2008 Winner), SOUPer Wednesdays, board-wide sports activities, sports committee and graduation ceremonies.

HOW WE KNOW WE ARE SUCCEEDING

Assessing Student Progress

STRIVING FOR SUCCESS

Cookshire Elementary, like other ETSB schools, is implementing the Quebec Education Program throughout all cycles. All elementary students receive 450 minutes of instruction in French as part of the ETSB Language Initiative. During 2009-2010 we continued with the implementation of the Dennis McCullough Initiative - Enhanced Learning Strategy. Through the use of laptops and up-to-date technology, it is our objective to improve student achievement. Over the coming year we will review and update our educational project and success plan and align both with the ETSB three-year strategic plan. During 2009-2010 our school continued to implement the Second Step conflict resolution program to help students develop empathy for others and effective strategies for dealing with conflict. Our Homework program provided additional support to students. By continuing to support our teachers in the many new practices of the Reform through professional development, we expect to stay on the cutting edge of education in Quebec and continue to ensure educational success for our community.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Cookshire Elementary is the hub of the English community in our area of the Townships. We make every effort to involve our entire community for all school events and to provide information to parents about services and activities involving the larger community. Our children are proud to say they are from Cookshire Elementary and this shows in all they do. Parents and school staff members have been working hard to make our school an attractive and welcoming place to be. This is an ongoing project, which is appreciated on a daily basis. Local merchants are very generous in their support of our school and student activities.

More About Our Student/School Achievement

We are proud of the academic and athletic progress of our students. Even though they are from one of the small schools of the ETSB, our students are motivated and encouraged to give their best effort in all they do.

At year's end we recognize our top students with certificates, special prizes and trophies at graduation ceremonies. Our students who move on to Alexander Galt Regional High School are well prepared and continue to represent our school well.

