

Report to the Committee January 29, 2014

K-6 Transition Committee

Kathy Myers, Chair

During our meeting, we discussed activities where our students would be introduced to each other. We are looking to have the students begin a pen pal program to introduce themselves through writing activities.

On February 18, DA will be hosting Grade JK to 5 students to meet face to face in grade groupings. DA teachers will each have an activity planned where the students will have the opportunity to interact with each other and get to know one another.

Early March, HW Burgess Teachers will be hosting a Carnival type activity and in Late April/Early May, AAW will be hosting a picnic and activity for our students. May 5th and 6th there will be authors, sponsored by the Sue Talach Book Fund, at DA Gordon and the other schools will be attending.

At our meeting, we again reviewed the concerns expressed by staff, students and parents. The main concern is the use of the portables at AAW. Parents are concerned about the safety of their children needing to enter the building to use the washroom and around access to the children as they move from the portables to the main building and back again. Is there a plan and timeline in place to deal with this issue?

*Notes: The possibility of an addition being added onto AAW will depend on enrollment in September. There is the computer lab and French room that could be made into classrooms until other arrangements can be made. If the portables are necessary to be used, it would be expected that these would be used for the older students. It was noted that the students would be within the visibility of a teacher as they move from the portable to the school.*