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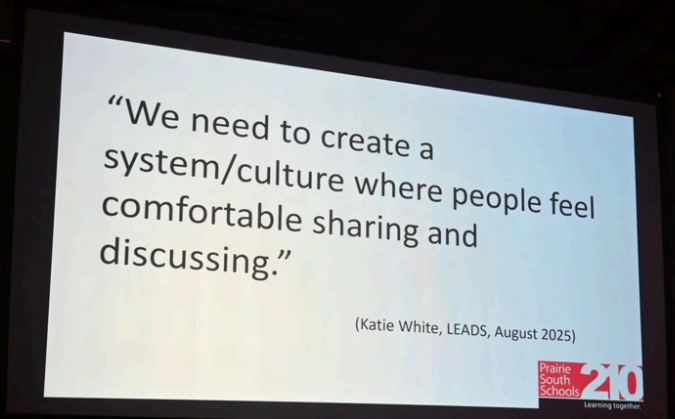
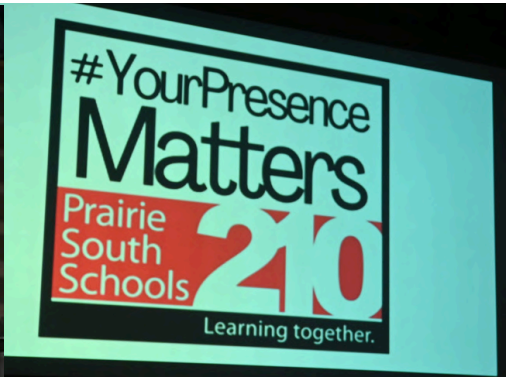
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DIVISION-WIDE DAY

What a great start-up day in Caronport! Thank you all for joining us!















WELCOME NEW TEACHERS!

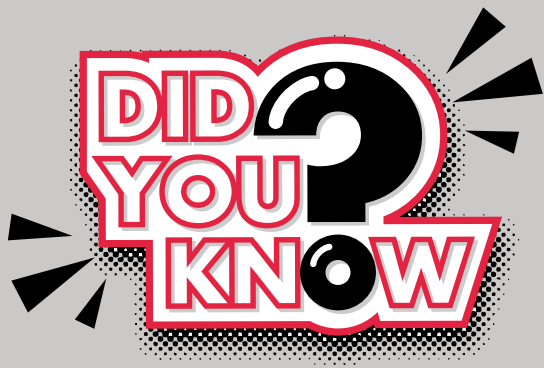


Retirement - Darren Baiton

After more than 30 years of dedicated service, Darren Baiton is retiring as Facilities Manager at the end of September 2025. Darren has been in trade for 43 years when he started off his career in heavy construction as a red seal journeyman carpenter. He moved into Thunder Creek School Division as a one-man show and became Facilities Manager with Prairie South in 2013. Darren oversaw countless projects in every school, spending millions of dollars on everything from emergency repairs to large scale renovations. Darren is always someone you could count on to take on every challenge, good or bad, from fires to floods, with the focus always remaining on the safety of staff and students. Beyond the tools and technical skills, Darren's deep organizational knowledge and willingness to mentor others will be missed most. He's met lots of great people over the years, both students and staff, and training the young summer students and watching them become successful members of our society has been rewarding. When Darren first started out in the trade's world, he never would have pictured himself sitting in front of a computer – never mind with three computer monitors! Technology sure has changed over the years. Darren's goal was to see the new Coteau Hills Elementary School built and open and now that he can check that off his list, he is looking at setting new goals and dreams in a very well-earned retirement. Darren is thankful for the great organization and the wonderful health benefits he received throughout his many years as a type 1 diabetic and a defined pension plan to assist Sherry and him with a comfortable retirement. Now is the time for Darren to jump off the never-ending facilities train and let the new facilities staff take over. We thank you, Darren, for your incredible contributions and all the best!

CONGRATULATIONS
FOR YOUR NEXT
Adventure





Upcoming Events

September 1

- Labour Day Stat Holiday

September 2

- First Day of School for Students
- Board Meeting

September 6

- Homestand 25

September 8

- Literacy Day in Saskatchewan

September 14-20

- Early Childhood Intervention Program Week

September 15

- Music Education Day

September 23

- Board Planning Meeting

September 24 & 25

- School-based Administrators' Meeting

September 30

- National Day for Truth & Reconciliation (Orange Shirt Day)



Our Transportation Staff held their annual First Rider Program at Lindale and Assiniboia 7th Ave School. Koda from Coteau Hills was excited for his first ride on the school bus.



Thank you to all who participated in the event. We had over 70 students take part!



We would love to hear from you!

Do you have any stories or ideas to share? Please email your submission today!