

Connections

Newsletter

Provincial Success - Congratulations!

Congratulations to all our student-athletes and coaches. Here are Prairie South's Provincial champions:

- Central Collegiate Cross Country Team 4A Gold
- Jadyne Palaschuk, Central Collegiate, Individual Gold at Cross Country - her third gold medal in three years!
- Central Collegiate Boys Soccer 4A Gold
- Assiniboia Composite High Boys Volleyball 3A Gold
- Briercrest Christian Academy Girls Volleyball 3A Silver
- Rouleau School Boys Volleyball 1A Bronze



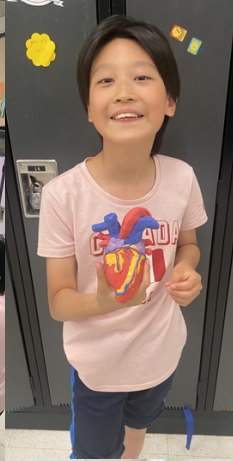


EMPIRE SCHOOL SPOTLIGHT

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Empire School is a place where every child belongs. At Empire, every student is able to discover and develop their strengths through a responsive, student centered approach to learning. We strive to create engaging, hands-on, inquiry based opportunities that develop a love of learning in all our students.



Our school is small but mighty! We work hard, laugh hard, and love hard! Learning is meant to be fun and we make sure it is! Our Spirit Squad and SCC are continually planning events where we can come together as a school community and celebrate what makes us great! We are always looking for opportunities to engage our families in the action, from bbq's, dances and haunted houses, to digital literacy and math game family events.



Gooooo Tigers!!



I BELONG.

My gifts are needed in the world.

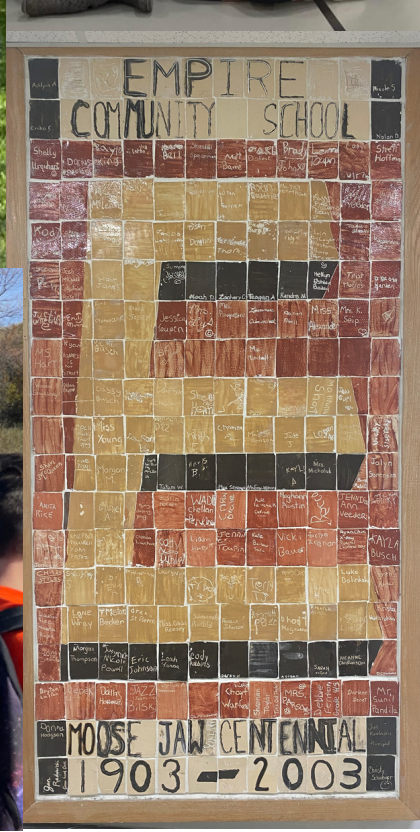
There is space for my talent.

There is space for me.





Together, we keep this school in tiptop shape! Yes! Empire Community School has stood in this spot since 1907! At Empire, we work hard to ensure our school is bright, beautiful and well maintained. This century old building is chock-full of gorgeous spaces that we have all pitched in to create. Don't judge this book by its old brick cover!



Get to Know Our Staff



Kim Thue is a teacher at Bengough School. He started in Bengough in 2018 teaching Grades 3/4/5 and now he teaches a whole lot of everything from Math, PAA, Health, Art and Phys Ed from grades 6-12. Kim grew up in Bengough and spent his K-12 years at Bengough School. He graduated in 2004 and completed a 1-year program at the Western Academy Broadcasting College in Saskatoon. He went to the U of R in 2015 where he completed his Bachelor of Education. His first teaching job was a semester mat leave in Ogema. This is his fourth year in Bengough. Before becoming a teacher, he spent 10 years as a broadcaster. He spent 5 years in Lloydminster at Newcap Television and from 2010 to 2015, he worked at Global Saskatoon and was the Sports Director and a sports anchor before he decided to go back to school. He has met and interviewed countless sports stars and some of the greatest athletes of all time. Kim has been married to Sarah for 12 years and they live on a farm outside Ogema. Sarah is a Massage Therapist and owns A Touch of Wellness Day Spa and Wellness Centre in Ogema. Together they have three children. Lily is 9. She dances, plays hockey and softball and loves creating/exploring and animals, especially her farm kitties. Ruby is 6. She also dances and plays hockey and ball. She especially loves performing. Louis is 4. He plays hockey and ball and enjoys all things farming, mostly helping in the tractor. Kim's family just built their own new home, so they've spent a lot of time landscaping and working in the yard. Kim plays fastball in the spring/summer and rec hockey in the winter. He also coaches ball and hockey as well as the school's volleyball and badminton teams. He enjoys listening to music, cheering on his favourite team (go Blue Jays), popcorn and movie nights with his family, and of course running his kids across the province for all their activities. They bought a camper a couple summers ago and have enjoyed wherever that brings them each summer. Golfing at Willow Bunch is a classic and beaching at Palliser with friends and family recently has been a hit. His favourite restaurant is easily Bud's BBQ in Ogema – if you haven't been there, it's worth the trip!



Trevor Payne is the Supervisor of the Facilities Department, a position he has held for 10 months. Trevor grew up in Moose Jaw and attended Empire School and Riverview Collegiate. His first summer job was setting up big tents for Mikes Big Tent Rentals in Moose Jaw. His first "real job" was with Big Country Pipeline in Medicine Hat, Alberta. Trevor has a wonderful wife, who he happens to share the same birthday with, and two children, aged 9 and 10. They love spending time at their cabin by the lake at Mistusinne, Saskatchewan. Trevor enjoys spending time in the outdoors – fishing, hunting and just being at the lake whenever possible. Trevor has placed in the top 10 in Canada for 3D archery and has won multiple state archery competitions in North Dakota. He has also competed in competitive fishing competitions in the Sask Walley Trail at both Lake Diefenbaker and Last Mountain Lake. His favourite food is a slowly smoked rack of ribs done in the smoker!