Meeting Date: May 11, 2023

**Highlight 1: Celebrations**

Key Messages:

NWSD Celebrates Retiring Staff and Milestone Awards

Friday, April 28 marked the return of the NWSD Awards Gala to an in-person event for the first time in four years. It was a wonderful opportunity to gather and celebrate staff retiring and staff reaching 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, and 35 years of service awards.

Turtleford School was announced as a recipient of the Mosaic School Nutrition Grant for 2023 - a $15,000 grant. This funding will be used to refurbish the student cooking facilities, provide land-based learning opportunities, and offer student cooking classes.

Turtleford School also recently held to community events - the Around the World Cultural Celebration and Turtleford SRC Talent Night. Staff and students entertained the community with their performances and shared food and culture from different countries around the world.

17 staff attend SK Mental Health & Wellbeing Symposium in Saskatoon on May 9 & 10. The conference theme was Walking Together and provided participants with a variety of mental health and wellbeing tools and ideas to bring back to their schools and school divisions. Spurgeon Root, NWSD School Counsellor, and Courtney Hildebrand, Principal at Transition Place Education Centre (TPEC), presented about their experience supporting gang-involved or connected students’ mental health.

Next meeting date: June 8, 2023