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Please help share the Leadership in Literacy Report

As mentioned in the Superintendent's Leadership Team meeting reports June 10, Palliser has produced its third annual report to the public about our work in literacy. This four-page document is being bulk mailed to households in Lethbridge County and Vulcan County this week. (If people have opted out of ad mail, they will not receive it.)

- For Calgary schools, please deliver this report by email to your parents, either as a PDF (attached to this email) or a link to the PDF. The URL for the PDF is:
<http://www.pallisersd.ab.ca/download/79895>
- For schools in the two counties, you may just want to inform your parents to be watching for it in their mail.

Several hard copies will be delivered to all schools by Palliser courier for display in your offices or for parents/guardians who want a copy.

This year's report includes:

- A celebration of work in early learning and kindergarten;
- Work to support student writing;
- A Palliser summer program to help stop the summer slide;
- A link to a new video with Director of Learning Laurie Wilson demonstrating ways to help beginning readers read – an excellent resource for parents of beginning readers!
- Book recommendations for various ages from our school librarians.

To help you raise awareness in your school communities of these various resources, I've pasted below scripts you might use on your website, in a Synrevoice message or by email.

FOR EMAIL:

Palliser Regional Schools has released its third annual Leadership in Literacy report, sharing success stories from around the division and plans for continuing to support students as readers, writers and critical thinkers. For a PDF copy, please click [HERE](#).

FOR WEBSITE:

*Together we will ensure learning success for all students
to develop their unique potential as caring citizens in a changing world.*

HEADING: Literacy report celebrates culture of reading and writing

Palliser Regional Schools is pleased to provide its annual update on the division's literacy work, supporting all students to be readers, writers and critical thinkers for success in school and in life.

The third annual Leadership in Literacy report celebrates the outstanding work of our teachers to foster a culture of reading and writing at all levels in all subject areas; reinforces the importance of summer reading every day, and shares book recommendations from our school librarians. You'll also meet Literacy Specialist Orishia Asher.

For a PDF copy, please click [HERE](#).

For parents and guardians of beginning readers, Director of Learning Laurie Wilson demonstrates tips and tricks for encouraging reading with easy strategies that are more effective than just sounding out every word in an easy to follow, short video.

Please watch the video here: (SEE EMBEDDING INSTRUCTIONS)

HOW TO EMBED the video:

Create a blog post in your Webguide School News Blog (the one that appears on the front page of your website).

Copy and paste the text above, ending with the words "Please watch the video here:" in the Body box. Add the heading above to the Title box.

With your cursor below "Please watch the video here:

Click on the <> symbol found in the Body tool bar that looks like this:



You'll now be seeing your article with all the HTML code. The text should look like this:\

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Immediately following the </p>, copy and paste this embed code from YouTube.

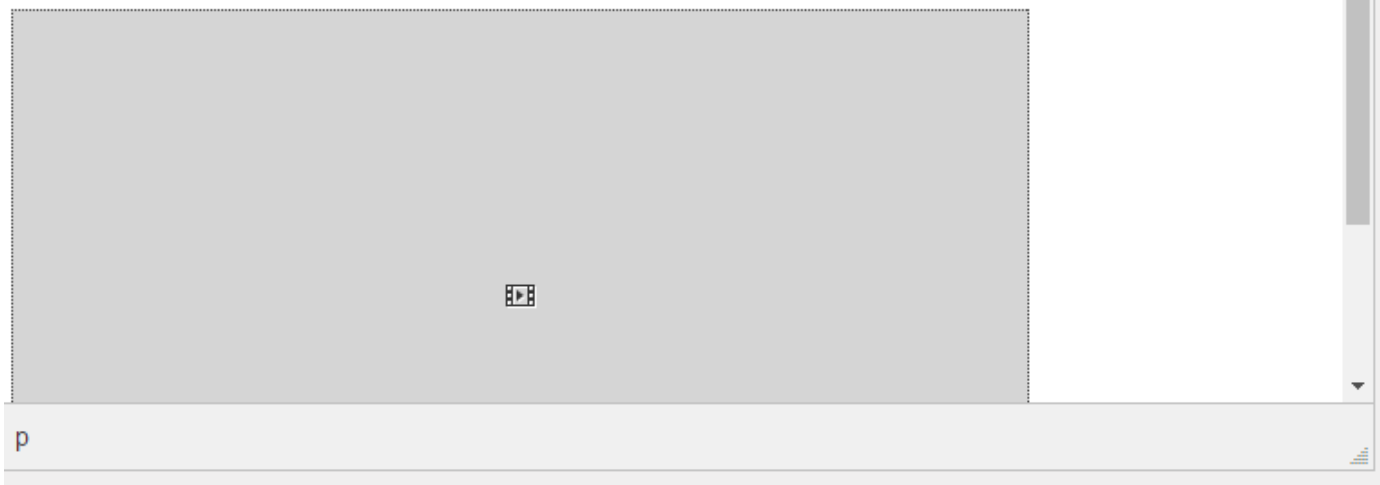
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Click OK at the bottom of the Source Code window to close it and go back to seeing the regular body box for your blog article.

You should now see a box where your video will appear. It will look like this:

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Click SAVE and your video should be ready to play in your news blog.

If your school does not have beginning readers whose parents would benefit from this tips and tricks video, you can omit this part if you wish.

For SYNREVOICE

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