



# Media Release

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## **Kristien Holtby Appointed as Principal of Falun School**

Wetaskiwin Regional Public Schools (WRPS) is very pleased to announce that Kristien Holtby has been appointed as Principal of Falun School.

Kristien joined the school division in 1999 as a teacher at Falun School and was appointed Vice Principal of Falun School in 2006 and Principal of Lakedell School in 2009. Kristien grew up in the Pipestone community and received his Bachelors of Education from the University of Alberta in 1998. He completed his Masters in Educational Administration at the University of Lethbridge in 2010.

Randy Risto, Associate Superintendent: Personnel stated, "We were very pleased with the amount of interest shown by Principals and Vice Principals from our Division and in the external candidates for this position. It was a difficult decision to choose from such a strong field of interested leaders. We are extremely pleased that Mr. Holtby has accepted the position. He brings a wealth of experience and a high level of skill in the many areas for which he will be responsible and he embodies the characteristics that the staff and parents provided to the selection committee."

Kristien stated: "I am excited about returning to Falun School and look forward to working with the staff, students, and parents as Principal. I want to thank the parents, staff, students and community of Lakedell School for having the opportunity to serve them these past three years. I appreciate the confidence that the Division has demonstrated in me and I look forward to continuing my work in this new role."

Mr. Holtby will assume the Principal of Falun School duties and responsibilities effective August 1, 2012.

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