



Reference: Peter Lenton (a.k.a. Peter Puffin)

To Whom It May Concern,

Edmonton area schools have had the privilege over the past number of years to secure the services, commitment, creativity and performance excellence of one Peter Puffin as a part of environmental celebrations. While I was the principal at Ellerslie Campus, Peter brought an excellent residency program to our school. Over the course of a week Peter was able to excite and motivate both teachers and students. He was instrumental in helping that school community achieve the goals set out for their cross campus environmental celebration. As a result, Ellerslie won the Emerald Award for commitment to excellence in environmental enterprises.

Peter has a great deal to offer in planning, organizing and implementing science based environmental lessons. He uses his excellent musical skills to enhance and communicate his teachings. He is equally as skilled working with adults as with students. He offered our teachers an excellent orientation and professionally focused session to assist in preparing for his visit and work with students. As a professional, Peter's skills and background as a teacher add to a tremendous set of skills with much knowledge to share with students.

Peter's performance energy and obvious enthusiasm for his work very quickly endears him to his 'audience'. His communication skills are excellent. His messages to students are responsible and tie very exactly to the Alberta curriculum. This makes his presentations, songs, stories and total participation all the more effective for students at the elementary level.

Peter is to be congratulated and commended for his flexibility and willingness to revise his plans to meet the needs of the school. He helped us pull together a "gala concert" as a culmination to our special theme week. He helped prepare students as part of his work with classrooms during the early parts of the week. He taught and facilitated ownership for some powerfully important environmental themes. We all enhanced our awareness and understanding about important environmental issues as a result of Peter Puffin's work with us.

I highly recommend Peter as a performer, as an environmentalist, as a teacher with a message, as an artist in residence. Ellerslie had the full advantage of his passion, his understanding, his fun loving ways and his enjoyment of teaching and learning with students in a very "alive" manner. He continues in this committed work today.

If I can provide any additional information or answer any questions about Peter Lenton and his excellent school programs, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Respectfully Submitted,



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