

Barbara MacNaughton, Grade 5 teacher at Notre Dame School in North Battleford, and her students had been following the news of the fire at Fort McMurray. Recognizing the devastation of losing everything, they decided to send the children who had been evacuated a new toy. Their project was called Children to Children Toy Project. Six businesses in the Battleford's provided places to drop off toys. They also contacted all the schools in the Battlefords to help them collect new toys. Almost every school participated. They were able to collect a large truck box full of new toys.

Students promoted the Project by creating posters, and by meeting with the local newspaper which promoted the Project with photos of students and their poster promoting our collection.

Q98, the local radio station was contacted and came to the classroom to interview the students. MacNaughton, her husband and son, Colten delivered the toys to Edmonton on Saturday, May 28th. MacNaughton stated "My students were so excited to send them toys. We had collected at Christmas for Plan Canada and they were really excited then, but as one of my students said, " 'It was great to help those kids (Plan Canada kids), but this is really special, because this is close to home.' "







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