



# South Oaks School 2013-14 Community Report



## School Mission

South Oaks School: *Where we care to learn and learn to care.*

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## 2013 – 2014 Priorities

### ❖ Implementation of the Provincial Report Card in Grade 1-4 Classrooms

#### Achievements:

- Use of the Provincial Report Card as the new reporting instrument in Grade 1-4 classrooms in all three terms.
- Use of PowerSchool, the new divisional administration system, by teachers for recording marks and comments and printing up hard copies of the report card.

### ❖ Revision of the Grade 3-4 Numeracy Intervention Program

#### Achievements:

- Integration of Do the Math Numeracy Program into the school Grade 3-4 Numeracy Intervention Program.

### ❖ Continued Utilization of Innovative Technology for Literacy, Numeracy, Content Area and Arts Instruction and Assessment

#### Achievements:

- Installation and utilization of FrontRow sound systems in 25% of South Oaks classrooms.
- Installation and utilization of projectors, so that all South Oaks teaching environments, including K-4 classrooms, the computer lab, the Music Room and the Gym, have projectors, either fixed or portable.
- Pilot of computer tablet for anecdotal assessment in grade 1 classroom.

### ❖ Continued Cooperation with the Local and Wider Communities

#### Achievements:

- Two week Parent Council sponsored Artist-in-the-School residency, followed by a school Open House, showcasing student artwork created during the residency.
- Presentation of a Parent Council supported Spring Concert in May, with most grade 3 and all grade 4 students participating.
- Participation in school and divisional environmental projects, thereby receiving the provincial Education for Sustainable Futures (ESF) Action level as a school.

- The AA Senior Boys Volleyball Provincials, held in November at our gym, where South Oaks grade 3 & 4 classes adopted participating teams and cheered for them at games, displaying exemplary sportsmanship.
- The Christmas Concert in December, where South Oaks families brought dainties and spent time eating and drinking together in classrooms after the songs, enjoying each others' company.
- The Literacy Olympics in February, when each grade level classroom decided upon its own class/country name, and developed its own flag; the Ryan Price One World Many Stories assembly was also great!
- The Artist-in-the-School two week residency in March, followed by the Open House in April, where students displayed their Batik art creations.
- The Spring Concert in May, entitled "Our Wonderful World," presented by 3JE, 3LJ, 4AP & 4JL. This was the first Spring Concert at South Oaks in over 20 years.

