



South Oaks School 2014-15 Community Report



School Mission

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

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2014 – 2015 Priorities

❖ Implementation of the new Hanover Kindergarten Report Card

Achievements:

- Use of the Hanover Kindergarten Report Card as the new reporting instrument in Kindergarten classrooms in both terms.
- Use of PowerSchool, the divisional administration system, by Kindergarten teachers for recording marks and comments and printing up hard copies of the report card.

❖ Implementation of Intervention Program for Students with Learning Disabilities

Achievements:

- Grade Four students with assessed learning disabilities in the area of literacy received one-to-one instruction for a period of weeks, resulting in higher reading levels.

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

Achievements:

- Ongoing professional development for teachers in selected Early Years classrooms on the use of Microsoft OneNote with respect to tablet applications for educational settings.
- Use of Microsoft Surface Pro 3 tablets for planning, assessment, reporting and communication purposes in Kindergarten, Grade One, Three and Four classrooms.

❖ Continued Cooperation and Communication with the Local Community

Achievements:

- Student led Parent/Teacher conferences in grade three/four and four classrooms.
- Special student artworks showcased for parents at the April Open House.

- The Ryan Price Recycling assembly, followed by our Bag Up Manitoba recycling campaign in October, when over 7100 plastic bags were contributed by South Oaks parents to be melted down for remanufacturing, instead of winding up in local landfills.

- The Bev Rogers' fundraiser, which raised over \$6100 towards the cost of Mrs. Rogers' back and neck surgery.

- The South Oaks Space Odyssey Literacy Month in February, when each grade level classroom decided upon its own planet or galaxy, and developed its own anthem.

- The May Spring Concert about the Underground Railroad, presented by 3JE, 3LJ, 3/4AF, 4AP & 4JP. This was the second Spring Concert at South Oaks in two years, after decades without Spring Concerts!

