

# report

## to the community



Strathmillan School

2023-2024



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*The Early Years (K-5) provides a nurturing environment where children are encouraged to investigate, create and discover. Children develop their competencies in language and literacy skills, thinking and problem-solving skills, social and emotional development, independence, creativity and knowledge in preparation for becoming responsible citizens. Instruction in the following curricula: Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, Physical Education/Health and the Arts is focused on meeting the unique needs of Early Years students. Instruction focuses on the integration of subject matter and hands-on activity-based approaches to learning.*

### **Last Year's School Accomplishments (2022-2023)**

**Strathmillan teaching staff looked for growth in student reading and writing skills across multiple content areas, particularly in the areas of craft, stamina and independence.**

- ✓ Assessments in place early; focused on foundational skills all year and in routines.
- ✓ Literacy Support coaches and school PIA continued to offer support to classrooms.
- ✓ Used inservice day to conduct a grade level writing sample analysis.

**Strathmillan's professional staff looked to have student growth in problem solving skills and basic numeracy skills.**

- ✓ Continued with Numeracy routines, Math Talks, Counting Collections etc.
- ✓ Teachers used activities/resources from the Professional Learning Hub and divisional numeracy coach.
- ✓ Continued to expand the work in grade level teams with common assessments.

### **Our Vision Statement**

We are STARS!

### **Our Mission Statement**

Through the shared commitments of students, caregivers, and staff, the mission of Strathmillan School is to create a nurturing environment that produces responsible citizens who are life-long learners.

### **School Profile**

Number of teachers: 20  
Number of students: 300  
Grade levels: K-5

### **School Highlights**

These include:

- Reading Recovery – Grade 1
- Math Enhancement – K/Grade 1
- Enrichment
- Strong Literacy
- Reading Buddies
- The Integrated Arts
- Restitution
- Roots of Empathy
- Choir
- Varied Co-curricular Activities
- Student Leaders/Student Voice

## **Celebrating Our Priorities**

**Literacy: Our 2022-23 goal was that by June 2023, 100% of students will have demonstrated growth with their reading and writing skills across multiple content areas.**

Common assessments were used across the grade levels (examples: K-1: Concepts about Print; Phonemic Awareness Screener; F & P, Rhyming/ Sounds; Grades 2-5: Writing Journals/Notebooks; reading profiles; On demand writing prompts/comparison) Increased in improvement for struggling learners was seen. Reading/writing stamina increased throughout year, and from grade to grade. There was also a noted increase in enjoyment and self-satisfaction during reading/writing processes through class discussions/surveys. Focused areas show growth but highlight needs and next steps in other areas.

**Numeracy: Our 2022-23 goal was that by June 2023, 100% of students will show growth in their confidence and ability with problem solving and with their numeracy skills.**

Classroom observations and data indicated students were learning from each other while at the same time gaining independence. Students improved their ability to understand what the question was asking. However more work needs to be done in the area of risk-taking. More time and practice spent on conversations about mathematical thinking is needed as well.

## **Planning & Goal Setting**

School goals are created using the Divisional Strategic Plan as a guideline (<https://www.sjasd.ca/Governance/StrategicPlan>). The goal setting process began in the Spring and included input from students, teachers, and the community. Goals were developed around the needs and direction of the various subject areas with student progress and achievement and our mission and vision statement as our focus.

## **This Year's School Goals and Priorities (2023-2024)**

**By June 2023, 100% of students will have demonstrated growth with their foundational reading and writing.**

**By June 2023, 100% of students will show growth in their confidence and ability in problem solving and numeracy skills.**

**Strathmillan School Staff and students will continue to focus on building school community through the practice of the three R's: Respect, Responsible and Ready (to Learn).**