



Planning Priorities for 2023-24

About Us;

South Oaks is a K-4, Early Years School, with approximately 316 students, 21 teaching staff, and 19 support staff.

Our mission is to create a safe and kind school environment that strengthens learning for all.

We are committed to the well-being of our students and staff.

We are learning how to integrate learning competencies with a solid foundation of academic learning.

Our students come from many countries and speak many different languages.

Our school is known to be a very caring and nurturing place where all students are respected and cared for.

Our informal motto is "Loved at School".

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Planning Priority #1

To help students understand how to regulate their emotions and manage their behavior in ways that promote academic achievement, well-being and positive relationships.

Strategies;

- We will support/teach students to identify and regulate their emotions, using the Zones of Regulation program.
- Nurture positive relationships with a school wide check-in first thing in the morning, and a focus on effective listening/problem solving and repairing, when harm is done.
- We will use some grade specific resources such as Thrival Kits in grade 4, Little Dot in K, Second Step, etc as is most helpful.

Planning Priority #2

To create the conditions so students can progress at a rate of one year of growth for one year of teaching in Reading, Writing and Mathematics.

Strategies;

- Grade level cohorts collaborate to provide developmentally appropriate instruction to promote student academic achievement in Reading, Writing and Mathematics.
- All classes improve their ability to assess and teach for phonological and phonemic awareness, to improve Literacy skills.
- All teachers receive Math PD with Melo math 4 kids, to improve their understanding of effective Mathematics instruction.

Planning Priority #3

Explore ways to enable all stakeholders to experience "The Good Life". This includes students, staff and parents.

Strategies;

- Present components of "The Good Life" to all staff and parents for awareness, discussion and planning purposes.
- Consider ways to include parents in our school community so they also have a sense of partnership with South Oaks.
- Focus on how to live in relationship with others involved in the school and the broader local community.



