



SCHOOL PLAN 2009-2010

The plan encompasses a number of different strategies, activities and performance measures in support of the school's main academic goal of increasing reading, writing and numeracy levels through the use of Assessment for Learning (AFL) tools.

As a school and partner in the community, we are committed to engaging our many stakeholders to provide a safe and supportive environment where children and adults think, talk, play and work together. In order to maximize the learning potential of our children, we encourage our students, teachers and parents to work together through Assessment For Learning using the 6 big strategies:

- Learning Intentions
- Criteria
- Questioning
- Descriptive Feedback
- Peer and Self Assessment
- Ownership

The school plan is based on a clear vision, mission and goal:

Vision - an educational playground that is rich in engagement and that empowers students to reach their maximum potential.

Mission - through the combined talents and efforts of our school community, our mission is to provide a safe and supportive environment where children and adults think, talk, play and work together.

Goal - to focus efforts and maximize impact, the school will focus on one goal in 2009/2010 based on the priorities and activities that will strengthen the school's ability to provide a safe and supportive learning environment to meet the needs of all stakeholders.

Assessment for Learning (AFL) will be used as feedback for teachers and students in assessing themselves and each other and evidence gathered from this process will be used to formulate the instruction methods required to meet the learning needs of the students. These assessment tools and processes have a positive impact by focusing on deepening and furthering the learning activities rather than simply measuring it.

Goal: To utilize Assessment for Learning (AFL) tools to maximize reading, writing and numeracy levels across all grades through the positive engagement of stakeholders.

Operating Principles for 2009/2010

The Operating Principles of the school are designed to address our social accountability as the school promotes and encourages healthy choices through proper nutrition and exercise. The wellness of staff and students is essential in reaching the goals of the school.

To our stakeholders, we will:

- Encourage healthy living choices in the areas of nutrition and exercise
- Promote wellness in mind and body for all involved with our school
- Be responsible for the effective stewardship of limited resources
- Ensure a positive learning/working environment free of harassment

This is a high level summary of the full plan that can be found on the school's website at: <http://happyvalley.sd62.bc.ca>