

#### **Our Vision:**

St. Stephen Elementary School ensures, enriches and celebrates the learning and growth of everyone towards becoming responsible global citizens.

#### **Our Mission:**

Collaboratively, we will promote academic excellence through authentic experiences and foster personal growth in a safe and happy community.

# ST. STEPHEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

School Improvement Plan 2016-2017



## **Curriculum Delivery**

Target Area: Student Achievement in writing and reading comprehension

**Goal:** By the end of June 2017, the following percentages of students at Grade Levels K-5, will have achieved Appropriate Achievement or above in **Reading and Viewing**, as reported on their June Report Card: Grade K: To be determined from results of November reporting period, Grade 1: 85%, Grade 2: 50%, Grade 3: 70%, Grade 4: FI-92% E-60%, Grade 5: FI-72% E-100%

Grade Specific Goals	Strategies	Success Indicators	Responsibility
Kindergarten	-Phonemic Awareness Program	Nov. N/A	Classroom Teachers
June Goal: TBD	-Phonological Awareness Assessment	students are expected to recognize 12+/26 letters	EST-Resource
AA and above: +2% of	-Use the CAFE to set personal goals for reading	and 12+/26 sounds to achieve AA and above	EST-Literacy
November Report Card	-Greater focus on High Frequency Words	Mar. To be determined from results of November	EAs
AA and above -75%	beginning in September	reporting period	Kindergarten Support
	-Begin 'Intervention Focus Groups' in October	76% of students will achieve AA and above on	Workers
		March report cards	
		TBD% of students will read 22/55 HFW	
		June 77% of students will achieve AA and above on	
		June report cards	
		Personal goals will posted on the CAFE menu	
Grade 1	-CAFÉ	Nov. 83% of students will achieve AA and above on	Classroom Teachers
June 2016 Current Reality:	-Daily 5	November report cards	EST-Resource
AA and above -83%	-Guided Reading Groups	Mar. 84% of students will achieve AA and above on	EST-Literacy
Goal: AA and above-+2%	-Students set personal goals	March report cards	EAs
	- Begin 'Intervention Focus Groups' in October	June 85% of students will achieve AA and above on	
		June report cards	
Grade 2	- Daily 5/CAFÉ – set personal reading goals	Nov. 48% of students will achieve AA and above on	Classroom Teachers
June 2016 Current Reality:	-Guided Reading/Strategy Groups (flexible)	November report cards	EST-Resource
AA and above -48%	-Retell Organizer	Mar. 49% of students will achieve AA and above on	EST-Literacy
Goal: AA and above-+2%	-Begin 'Intervention Focus Groups' in October	March report cards	EAs
		June 50% of students will achieve AA and above on	
		June report cards	



Grade 3	-Daily 3 – goal setting	Nov. 68% of students will achieve AA and above on	Classroom Teachers
June 2016 Current Reality:	-Café – English Classes	November report cards	EST-Resource
AA and above -68%	-Daily Reading	Mar. 69% of students will achieve AA and above on	EST-Literacy
Goal: AA and above-+2-%	-Flexible Grouping for Guided Reading	March report cards	EAs
	-Embedded Intervention Groups	June 70% of students will achieve AA and above on	
		June report cards	
Grade 4	-Cafe/Daily 3 (read to self/read to someone)	Nov. FI 90% E 58% of students will achieve AA and	Classroom Teachers
June 2016 Current Reality:	-Higher order questioning (ex. STARS\CARS)	above on November report cards	EST-Resource
(FI)AA and above -90%	<ul> <li>Reading records to monitor growth at regular</li> </ul>	Mar. FI 91% E 59% of students will achieve AA and	EST-Literacy
(E) AA and above - 58%	intervals (3 times a year) to determine groups for	above on March report cards	EAs
Goal: AA and above-+2%	café and students' individual café goals.	June FI 92% E 60% of students will achieve AA and	
	-Guided Reading	above on June report cards	
Grade 5	-Café/Daily 3 and 4 (read to self/read to	Nov. FI 72% E 100% of students will achieve AA and	Classroom Teachers
June 2016 Current Reality:	someone)	above on November report cards	EST-Resource
(FI) AA and above -72%	-Flexible reading groups (guided/strategies)	Mar. FI 73% E 100% of students will achieve AA and	EST-Literacy
(E)AA and above -100%	-Embedded Intervention Groups	above on March report cards	EAs
Goal: AA and above-+2%		June FI 74% E 100% of students will achieve AA and	
		above on June report cards	



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Grade Specific Goals	Strategies	Success Indicators	Responsibility
Kindergarten June Goal: TBD AA and above: +2% of November Report Card AA and above -84%	-mastery of High Frequency Words -personal goals are determined by monthly writing samples based on exemplars - Collaborative team marking using rubric 3X per year -Use writing continuum to set personal goals	Nov. N/A Students are expected to reach stage 4 on the writing continuum to achieve AA and above Mar. To be determined from results of November reporting period 85% of students will achieve AA and above on March report cards June 86% of students will achieve AA and above on June report cards	Classroom Teachers EST-Resource EST-Literacy EAs Kindergarten Support Workers
Grade 1 June 2016 Current Reality: AA and above -78% Goal: AA and above-+2%	-post and follow <i>I can</i> statements -create strategy groups -collaborative grade level team marking sessions -4 Square Writing Resource -Use writing continuum to set personal goals	Nov. 78% of students will achieve AA and above on November report cards  Mar. 79% of students will achieve AA and above on March report cards  June 80% of students will achieve AA and above on June report cards	Classroom Teachers EST-Resource EST-Literacy EAs
Grade 2 June 2016 Current Reality: AA and above 65% Goal: AA and above-+2%	-Collaborative team marking using rubrics (3 times a year) -Use the 4-square writing model with collaborative modeled writing lessons monthly -Daily 5 – will include a mini-modeled writing lesson and Work on Writing time -Use VOICES and writing continuum to set personal goals	Nov. 65% of students will achieve AA and above on November report cards  Mar. 66% of students will achieve AA and above on March report cards  June 67% of students will achieve AA and above on June report cards	Classroom Teachers EST-Resource EST-Literacy EAs



	- 'Intervention Focus Groups'		
Grade 3	-Daily 3	Nov. 56% of students will achieve AA and	Classroom Teachers
June 2016 Current Reality:	-Use the 4-Square Writing Model	above on November report cards	EST-Resource
AA and above -56%	-Conferencing with students	Mar. 57% of students will achieve AA and	EST-Literacy
Goal: AA and above-+2%	-Collaborative team marking using rubric	above on March report cards	EAs
	-Use VOICES to set personal goals	June 59% of students will achieve AA and	
		above on June report cards	
Grade 4	-Commit to 90 minutes of literacy	Nov. (FI) 87% (E) 63 %of students will achieve	Classroom Teachers
June 2016 Current Reality:	- Daily 3 – will include a mini modeled writing	AA and above on November report cards	EST-Resource
(FI)AA and above -87%	lesson and Work on Writing time	Mar. (FI) 88% (E) 64% of students will achieve	EST-Literacy
(E) AA and above - 63%	-Use the 4-square writing model with	AA and above on March report cards	EAs
Goal: AA and above-+2%	collaborative modeled writing lessons	June (FI) 89% (E) 65% of students will achieve	
	- Collaborative team marking using rubrics (3	AA and above on June report cards	
	times a year)		
Grade 5	-Café/Daily 3/4 with mini lessons in reading,	Nov. (FI) 91% (E) 73% of students will achieve	Classroom Teachers
June 2016 Current Reality:	writing and word work	AA and above on November report cards	EST-Resource
(FI)AA and above -91%	-Collaborate in marking twice a year	Mar. (FI) 92% (E) 74% of students will achieve	EST-Literacy
(E) AA and above - 73%	-Use the 4-square modeled writing	AA and above on March report cards	EAs
Goal: AA and above-+2%		June (FI) 93% (E) 75% of students will achieve	
		AA and above on June report cards	



#### **Curriculum Delivery**

**Target Area: Student Achievement in number and operations** 

**Goal:** By the end of June 2017, the following percentages of students, at Grade Levels K-5, will have achieved Appropriate Achievement or above in the **Numbers and Operations** Strand of Mathematics, as reported on their June Report Card: Grade K: To be determined from results of November reporting period, Grade 1: 92%, Grade 2: 81%, Grade 3: 85%, Grade 4: 81%, Grade 5: 78%

Grade Specific Goals	Strategies	Success Indicators	Responsibility
Kindergarten June Goal: TBD AA and above: +2% of November Report Card AA and above -86%  Grade 1 June 2016 Current Reality: AA and above -90% Goal: AA and above-+2%	-Formative and Summative Assessments -Use Daily 5 Math -Increase Mental Math practices -Intervention Focus Groups  -Use Key Skills Assessments to identify students and drive instruction -Math Pyramid (Mental Math Facts) -Daily 3 -Intervention Focus Groups	Nov. N/A (The fall focus is 'Patterning')  Mar. To be determined from results of November reporting period 87% of students will achieve AA and above on March report cards  June 88% of students will achieve AA and above on June report cards  Nov. 90% of students will achieve AA and above on November report cards  Mar. 91% of students will achieve AA and above on March report cards  June 92% of students will achieve AA and above on June report cards	Classroom Teachers EST-Resource EST-Numeracy EAs Kindergarten Support Workers  Classroom Teachers EST-Resource EST-Numeracy EAs
Grade 2 June 2016 Current Reality: AA and above -79% Goal: AA and above-+2%	-formative and summative assessments -Readiness Assessment to identify students and drive instruction (Grade one and Grade two) -Intervention groups based on Readiness results	Nov. 79% of students will achieve AA and above on November report cards  Mar. 80% of students will achieve AA and above on March report cards  June 81% of students will achieve AA and above on June report cards	Classroom Teachers EST-Resource EST-Numeracy EAs



Grade 3	-*Minute Math for Facts (Math Pyramid)	Nov. 83% of students will achieve AA and	Classroom Teachers
June 2016 Current Reality:	-Letter to Parents about Concepts being	above on November report cards	EST-Resource
AA and above -83%	Taught	Mar. 84% of students will achieve AA and	EAs
Goal: AA and above-+2%	-Intervention/Enrichment built into schedule	above on March report cards	
	-Use grade level team time to focus on Math	June 85% of students will achieve AA and	
	and assess variables and determine next	above on June report cards	
	steps		
	-Key Skills Assessment (Grade Two and		
	Grade Three)		
	-Formative and Summative Assessments		
Grade 4	-Guided Math (using Formative and	Nov. 79% of students will achieve AA and	Classroom Teachers
June 2016 Current Reality:	Summative Assessments to determine	above on November report cards	EST-Resource
AA and above -79%	groups)	Mar. 80% of students will achieve AA and	EST-Numeracy
Goal: AA and above-+2%	-Math Fact Pyramid	above on March report cards	EAs
	-By-weekly checkups	June 81% of students will achieve AA and	
	-Parent letters to inform of progress	above on June report cards	
	-EST-Numeracy intervention Support		
Grade 5	-Weekly common checks to determine math	<b>Nov.</b> 76% of students will achieve AA and	Classroom Teachers
June 2016 Current Reality:	groups	above on November report cards	EST-Resource
AA and above -76%	-Formative and Summative Assessments	Mar. 77% of students will achieve AA and	EST-Numeracy
Goal: AA and above-+2%	-Parent letters to inform of progress	above on March report cards	EAs
	-EST-Numeracy Team Support	June 78% of students will achieve AA and	
		above on June report cards	



#### **Positive Learning Environment**

Target Area: Initiatives that promote sustaining a Positive Learning and Working Environmental Education and initiatives that promote positive mental fitness in children

**Goals:** By the end of June 2017, 100% of students in Grade Kindergarten to Grade Five will have been involved in initiatives that reflect Positive Learning and Work Environment

By the end of June 2017, students and staff will have opportunities to learn more about anxiety and developed strategies to promote positive mental fitness

Goals	Strategies	Success Indicators	Responsibility
By the end of June 2017, 100% of students in Grade	School-Wide Initiatives:	November: -Classroom teachers and Guidance	Classica Tanahari
Kindergarten to Grade Five will have been	-Classroom teachers will survey primary students about student job ideas -Guidance counsellor will survey intermediate students	counsellor will have administered surveys by the end of November	Classroom Teachers Guidance Counsellor
involved in initiatives that reflect Positive Learning and Work Environment	about student job ideas -Send yellow 'positive referral forms' home with students to inform families of positive behaviours at	-Yellow forms will be sent home following each monthly assembly (this will be a student job)	Students
	school -Update the School Recognition Wall on a monthly basis -Continue a tracking system for students participation	-Club survey will be administered to teachers by the end of November -House Teams concept will be implemented	Community Schools Coordinator PLEP Committee
	for clubs and jobs -Continue 'House' teams with a focus on team building.	-Teachers will have a tracking system for student participation	PLEP Committee
	- The 7 Habits of Happy Kids will be taught in large group to grades K-2 (stories) and 3-5 (lessons).	-survey teachers about the success of the 'House Teams'  January:	PLEP Committee
		-Regular updates of the "Recognition Wall'	Classroom Teachers



		March: -Teachers will monitor students' participation in school initiatives and each grade level will develop a plan to ensure 100% student involvement by the end of June -75% of students will have participated in school initiatives  June: 100% of students will have participated in at least one school initiative -100% of students will have participated in 'House Teams' (7 Habits)	Classroom Teachers  Classroom Teachers  PLEP/Administration
By the end of June 2017, students and staff will have been given opportunities to learn more about anxiety and developed strategies to promote positive mental fitness	School-Wide Initiatives:  - Kindergarten and Guidance Teachers will share practical ideas from the 'Fun Friends' program  - 'Calm Kits' are available to all classrooms  -Invite a guest speaker to talk to students about anxiety, stress, managing your worries, etc.  -Invite 'Child and Youth Team' to present another session about anxiety  -Staff professional learning about positive mental fitness  -Parents have an opportunity to go to a presentation by Dr. Chorney at Fundy Middle High School in November Focus is "Adolescent and Child Anxiety; What Parents Can Do"	November: -2 days of PATHS training and then implementationWellness activities planned by Wellness CommitteeParents have an opportunity to go to a presentation by Dr. Chorney at Fundy Middle High School in November Focus is "Adolescent and Child Anxiety; What Parents Can Do"	Kindergarten, Grade One and Grade Two Teachers Wellness Committee PSSC
	Grade Specific Initiatives: -Kindergarten will continue to implement the 'Fun Friends' program -Guidance Teacher will implement 'Friends for Life' program for grade 3 -PATHS training (2 days) and implementation	March: -A guest speaker will have made a presentation to the students about anxiety, stress, managing your worries, etc.	PSSC



#### **Parent Communication and Involvement**

Target Area: Continuous fostering of partnerships with families and communities

Goal: By the end of June 2017, we will have created occasions for family and community involvement within the school environment

Strategies	Success Indicators	Responsibility
School-Wide Initiatives:	November:	
-Continue with and make necessary changes to the plan that combined both the Welcome Back BBQ and	-school website will be updated on a regular basis	School Communities Coordinator/Principal
Parent Information Night into a one night Open	-school connects message sent home to families on a weekly basis,	Vice-Principal
House Information Night to be implemented in	Sunday evening (includes email)	·
August/September 2017	- Welcome to School Night	
	-Kindergarten introduction evening	
-Maintain, promote and update the school website	April:	
by posting all relevant information	-school website will be updated on a regular basis	School Communities Coordinator/Principal
- Many classroom teachers will use an alternative method of communication to parents such as: Remind App	-the school will have hosted at least two family events	Core Leadership Team PLEP/Staff
	June:	
-Host three family events	-Final preparations for the <i>Open House Information Night</i> will be made to ensure a successful implementation for the Fall of 2016	PLEP
,,,		School Communities
	-school website will be updated on a regular basis	Coordinator/Principal
	-the school will have hosted a third family event	PLEP/Staff



**Appendix:** 

## **Curriculum Delivery Timeline**

#### Goal:

By the end of June 2017, the following percentages of students at Grade Levels K-5, will have achieved Appropriate Achievement or above in **Reading and Viewing**, as reported on their June Report Card: K: To be determined from results of November reporting period, Grade 1:67 %, Grade 2:65 %, Grade 3: 89%, Grade 4: FI-84% E-78 %, Grade 5: FI-98% E-90 %

Current Reality 2013-2014	2014-2015 Reality	2015-2016 Reality	2016-2017 Reality
Kindergarten:	Kindergarten	Kindergarten	Kindergarten
76% AA and above	65% AA and above	83% AA and above	
Grade 1:	Grade 1	Grade 1	Grade 1
75% AA and above	63% AA and above	48% AA and above	
Grade 2:	Grade 2	Grade 2	Grade 2
59% AA and above	87% AA and above	68% AA and above	
Grade 3:	Grade 3	Grade 3	Grade 3
FI-96% AA and above	FI-82% AA and above	FI-90% AA and above	
E-86% AA and above	E- 76% AA and above	E- 58% AA and above	
Grade 4:	Grade 4	Grade 4	Grade 4
FI-95% AA and above	FI-96% AA and above	FI-72% AA and above	
E-96% AA and above	E-88% AA and above	E- 100% AA and above	
Grade 5:	Grade 5	Grade 5	Grade 5
FI- % AA and above	FI-% AA and above		
E- % AA and above	E- % AA and above		

<sup>\*</sup>Note: Students on a modified program are assessed according to their personal goals. Successful completion of personal goals are considered Appropriate Achievement.



## **Curriculum Delivery Timeline**

Target Area: Student Achievement in Writing and Representing

**Goal:** By the end of June 2017, the following percentages of students, at Grade Levels K-5, will have achieved Appropriate Achievement or above in Writing and Representing, as reported on their June Report Card: Grade K: To be determined from results of November reporting period, Grade 1:66 %, Grade 2:71 %, Grade 3:60 %, Grade 4: FI-77 % E-62 %, Grade 5: FI-90 % E-76 %

Current Reality 2013-2014	2014-2015 Reality	2015-2016 Reality	2016-2017 Reality
Kindergarten:	Kindergarten	Kindergarten	Kindergarten
81% AA and above	64% AA and above	78% AA and above	
Grade 1:	Grade 1	Grade 1	Grade 1
75% AA and above	69% AA and above	65% AA and above	
Grade 2:	Grade 2	Grade 2	Grade 2
45% AA and above	58% AA and above	56% AA and above	
Grade 3:	Grade 3	Grade 3	Grade 3
FI-77% AA and above	FI-75% AA and above	FI-87% AA and above	
E-67% AA and above	E-60% AA and above	E- 63% AA and above	
Grade 4:	Grade 4	Grade 4	Grade 4
FI-86% AA and above	FI-88% AA and above	FI-91% AA and above	
E-80% AA and above	E-74% AA and above	E- 73% AA and above	
Grade 5:	Grade 5	Grade 5	Grade 5
FI- % AA and above	FI- % AA and above		
E- % AA and above	E- % AA and above		

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Current Reality 2013-2014	2014-2015 Reality	2015-2016 Reality	2016-2017 Reality
Kindergarten: 82% AA and above	Kindergarten 78% AA and above	Kindergarten 90% AA and above	Kindergarten
<b>Grade 1:</b> 85% AA and above	<b>Grade 1</b> 78% AA and above	<b>Grade 1</b> 79% AA and above	Grade 1
Grade 2: 80.5% AA and above	Grade 2 86% AA and above	<b>Grade 2</b> 83% AA and above	Grade 2
Grade 3: 71.1% AA and above	Grade 3 71% AA and above	<b>Grade 3</b> 79% AA and above	Grade 3
Grade 4: 87% AA and above	Grade 4 75% AA and above	<b>Grade 4</b> 76% AA and above	Grade 4
<b>Grade 5:</b> % AA and above	Grade 5 % AA and above	Grade 5	Grade 5

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By the end of June 2016, students and staff will have been given opportunities to learn more about anxiety in children and developed strategies to promote positive mental fitness

Current Reality 2013-2014	2014-2015 Reality	2015-2016 Reality	2016-2017 Reality
	-Classroom teachers and Guidance		
	counsellor administered club		
	surveys		
	-Yellow forms will be sent home		
	following each monthly assembly		
	(this will be a student job)		
	-Club survey will be administered to		
	teachers		
	-Kindergarten Teachers will have		
	been trained to implement the 'Fun		
	Friends' program		
	-Kindergarten and Guidance		
	Teachers will begin sharing 'Fun		
	Friends' ideas at staff meetings		
	-a school recognition wall will be		
	created to celebrate student		
	success		
	-A guest speaker will have made a		
	presentation to the staff about		
	anxiety 'Look Fors' in children		



-a school-wide plan for 'House'	
teams will have been developed and	
ready for implementation in	
September 2015	



#### **Parent Communication and Involvement**

Target Area: Continuous fostering of partnerships with families and communities

Goal: By the end of June 2015, we will have created occasions for family and community involvement within the school environment

Current Reality 2013-2014	2014-2015 Reality	2015-2016 Reality	2016-2017 Reality
-Family BBQ -Parent Information Night (Sept.)	-Family BBQ was held in AugParent Information Night was held in Septschool website has been updated -Colleen met with Ray Simpson to investigate other modes of technology and social media to enhance parent communication -Students, families and staff of SSES participated in the annual Santa Claus parade - school connects message sent home on a weekly basis; Sunday evening		