



## March: Message from the Principal

With report cards coming up, along with Student-Led Conferences (Wednesday, March 13), I reflect upon my work as a principal and ask myself what would my report card look like if someone filled one out on me? I LOVE my job, and I feel truly privileged to be principal at DDS, but is what I am currently doing enough? What can I do to improve? How can I make our school even better?

I would like to think of our school as student-centered, forward thinking, innovative, and conscientiously contributing to your child growing up to be the best person he or she can be. First, we have, in my opinion, the most caring and invested staff in Palliser. In addition, we are ahead of many of our provincial educational peers in our implementation of best curricular practices. Furthermore, we employ new strategies and techniques to create safe, engaging environments in which kids learn best. Moreover, we have a strong emphasis on kindness and positive thinking. Great things are happening at DDS, but I always ask myself, "How can I do better? What else is there? What's next?" In consideration of the *Four Pillars of Education*: learning to **know**; learning to **do**; learning to **live together**; and learning to **be**, am I leading this school most effectively to achieve all I can for your child?

I would love for my school to be on the map, so to speak, not only because of the amazing things we do, but because of the amazing people we help to build, especially your child. So, in the spirit of report card season, I ask you – what grade would you give me? What grade would you give our school? Please stop by for a visit, or call me. I hope to see you out for Student-Led Conferences, so feel free to stop by my office then, or anytime - I'd love to hear your "report card" on me.

With warmest regards, your partner in education, Ms. Shari Rogerson Principal