

St. Willibrord Elementary School CLC Project of Heart

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New Frontiers School Board



Over 1/3 of students are members of the Mohawk Nation, from the Kahnawake community. St. Will's was already putting a heavy focus on anti-bullying through traditional restorative justice concepts through a partnership with... They used PoH to further these goals and make the school a safer place for Mohawk students to talk about the legacy of Indian Residential Schools that affected many of their families.



The 40 most involved students also took a journey on a cold February day to meet students at PETES to attend the Have a Heart Rally at Parliament Hill. Afterwards students from the two classes had lunch at PETES, were treated to cocoa by their guests, and before the day ended a break dancing competition broke out between the new friends!



“This project was of great importance to our school due to the high enrollment of Aboriginal students. With the support of the CLC Coordinator a connection was

made with an elder in the Kahnawake community who will be coming to talk with the students before the end of the school year.



The project of heart and the 100 years of loss toolkit were connected to the QEP. The project of heart fell under our Ethics, Religious and Cultures program (ERC) and the 100 years of loss was taught in Social Studies. The project also connected with our school success plan (MESA). The project fell under goal 6 to improve curricular connections of CLC concepts to the educational project of the school and the service of support we provide to the population and the at-risk population of our school. Our Mohawk students went home and had discussions with their families and began to learn about their heritage and several struggles their family members went through.”