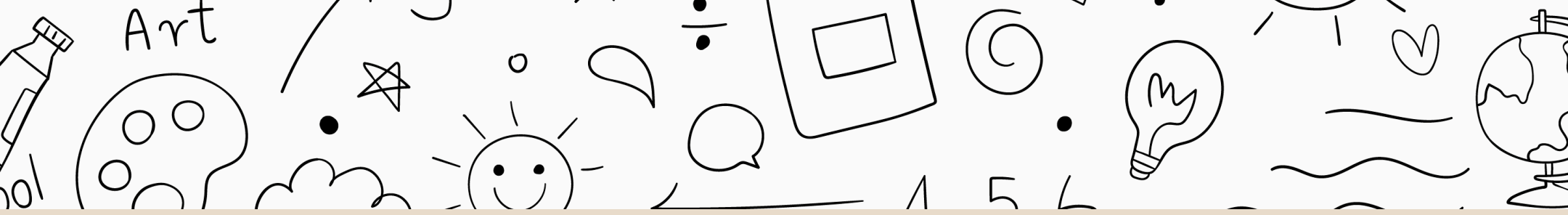
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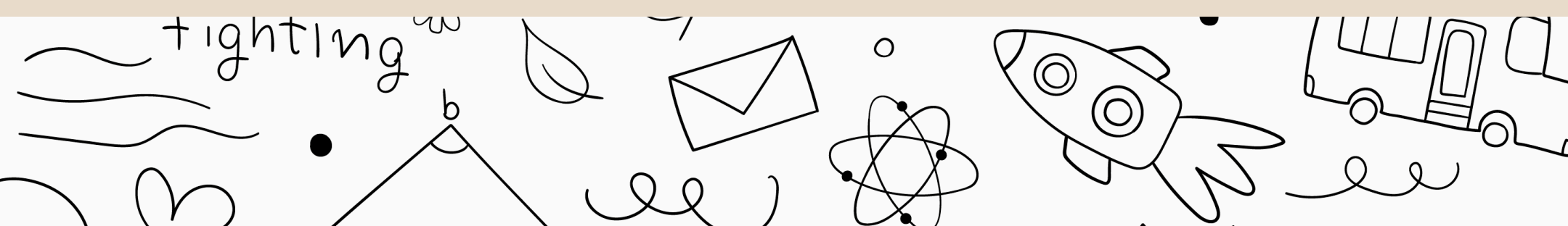
# Sandowne Elementary School

## Student Achievement Plan



# Sandowne School Context

Sandowne Elementary is a vibrant and inclusive school community committed to fostering a safe, respectful, and supportive environment. We offer a balanced educational program that nurtures lifelong learning and equips students with essential skills like communication, problem solving, acceptance, and flexibility to thrive in a changing world. Our evolving Student Achievement Plan—shaped through ongoing collaboration with staff, students and families —focuses on academic excellence, resilience, and school safety.







## **Goal #1: Honouring Indigenous World Views and Perspectives**

Sandowne Elementary is committed to Honouring Indigenous World Views and Perspectives by embedding Indigenous ways of knowing into everyday learning.

Through meaningful interactions with Indigenous Knowledge Keepers, students explore history, values, and culture through story, music, and art. Educators foster identity development and inclusivity by planning place-based lessons connected to nature, encouraging reflection, and celebrating individual learning journeys. The school creates space for Indigenous community involvement, supports professional development, and ensures that learning is rooted in respect for the land and diverse ways of knowing. This approach aligns with the First Peoples Principles of Learning and reflects Sandowne's dedication to building an inclusive, culturally responsive environment.

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### Ways This Will Be Visible at Sandowne:

1. Visits from Indigenous Knowledge Keepers to share stories, music, and cultural teachings.
2. Outdoor, place-based learning in the forest, beach, and garden to build respect for land and water.
3. Land acknowledgements and lessons that explore the significance of local environments.
4. Collaborative cultural events and classroom visits from Indigenous and Métis community members.
5. Student-led storytelling and reflection on Indigenous teachings, art, and language.
6. Professional development and interdisciplinary planning.







## Goal #2: Student Centered Learning Environments

Sandowne Elementary is dedicated to creating student-centered learning environments that nurture emotional wellness, resilience, and personal growth. Through explicit instruction in self-regulation, problem-solving, and communication, students develop the tools to manage stress, navigate challenges, and make responsible decisions. Educators model resilient behavior, foster self-awareness, and celebrate diversity, ensuring that each learner feels seen, supported, and empowered. With a strong foundation in social-emotional learning and inclusive practices, Sandowne cultivates a culture where students are encouraged to reflect, persevere, and thrive both academically and personally.


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### 🎓 Ways This Will Be Visible at Sandowne:

1. Educator-led reflection and growth mindset practices that highlight effort, progress, and personal strengths.
2. Collaborative problem-solving activities such as Tough Talks, WITS strategies, and role-playing scenarios.
3. Explicit teaching of resilience strategies, mindfulness and self-regulation routines using SEL programs like Zones of Regulation, EASE, and Second Step and positive self-talk.
4. School-wide systems and assemblies that reinforce shared language, expectations, and support for student well-being.







### **Goal #3: Evolving for Tomorrow – Improvement in Literacy and Numeracy Skills.**

Sandowne Elementary is committed to evolving for tomorrow by strengthening students' literacy and numeracy skills through inclusive, data-informed, and student-centered instruction. Educators provide supports tailored to individual learning needs, using learning tools and classroom observations to guide planning and intervention. Students are encouraged to demonstrate their understanding in diverse ways, engage confidently with grade-level content, and stretch their thinking through inquiry-based learning and real-world problem solving. With a focus on fluency, comprehension, and mathematical proficiency, Sandowne fosters a learning environment where every student is supported to grow and succeed.

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#### Ways This Will Be Visible at Sandowne:

1. Targeted literacy & numeracy instruction and supports based on student data.
2. Opportunities for students to show learning in multiple formats, including discussion, writing, problem-solving, and creative expression.
3. Use of assessment tools to inform instruction and track progress.
4. Celebration of diverse learning styles through inclusive practices and personalized learning pathways.

