

Last year the Primary School implemented an anti-bullying program entitled Core Values. We call this program the Golden Paw – High Five Program. The goal was to ensure that all students (K-8) were exposed to the same language and values throughout their schooling in District 50.

The Primary School held staff meetings to discuss the best way to implement this program. There is a Core Value Committee that meets on a monthly basis to update the projects and lessons. We decided on introducing one value per month and having all-school projects that correlated with each value. Here is a listing of what we will be doing during the 08-09 school year:

September	Introduction to the High Five High Five Hand on a Stick Project
October	Eyes Watching Spider Headband with Eyes Project
November	Ears Listening Jumbo Ear Headband Project Book – Listen and Learn
December	Hands and Feet Still Person Project
January	Brain Thinking Brain Maze Project
February	Hearts Caring Penny Drive Project
March	Review of High Five Values Book Making, Icon Matching, Word Writing Activities
April/May	Review and Survey

All of these values, projects, and activities were integrated with our Kindergarten Year Long Plan. This made it easier for teachers to combine the High Five Values into their everyday teaching. The program is used in the regular classroom, Music, PE and Library. We have found it to be very successful as we introduce and teach proper school behaviors to our children as they begin their school journey at Woodland.