

## Reading through Dovercourt Elementary School Literacy Night

The Indigo Love of Reading Foundation team and Indigo Employees were very honoured guests at Dovercourt School's Literacy Night. Dovercourt received a \$150,000 grant in 2006 to stock their library shelves with new books and increase their literacy scores. The results? Literacy scores are up by over 11% and excitement of reading is in the air. The progress that Dovercourt has made in 3 years is nothing short of remarkable!

The gymnasium was packed with involved parents and community members who have supported the school's goal to improve literacy. Students performed songs, read poems, stories, and even letters to their favourite authors! The dedicated teachers at Dovercourt created engaging literacy games for the students and their parents for fun and the chance to win book prizes. Students were thrilled at the chance of winning a book that they could take home and call their very own. In addition to wonderful prizes, each student received a classic Robert Munsch book. The evening was rounded out with a tour of their impressive, freshly stocked library.

This annual literacy event will continue as a tradition at Dovercourt, well after the Love of Reading grant has been used. It is a symbol of the commitment Dovercourt School has for improving literacy and the futures of their students.



A teacher reading to a first year kindergarten child during the literacy activities at Dovercourt School.



Grade 5 students reading letters to their favourite authors and their short stories.



Kindergarten student in front of the literacy bulletin board created by staff and students.