



Dear parents,

**Object: "V.I.P Partners" Prevention Program (Violence.Intimidation/bullying.Prevention)**

Violence in the school is a concern for all of us. It is a reality that challenges the school staff, the parents and the various partners of the school, including the police service. Even if the school is already active in the prevention and the treatment of violent situations, the Service de police de la Ville de Gatineau (SPVG) still wishes to support the school in a practical and concrete manner.

Already present in schools for many years, the SPVG structures and reinforces its service to elementary schools through the new prevention program "V.I.P. Partners" whose acronym summarizes the critical elements: Violence, Intimidation/Bullying, Prevention. The need to adapt our interventions to today's issues led us to develop this program, in order to provide a healthy and safe environment for the students in Gatineau's elementary schools.

This innovative program is run by the school staff and the police officer assigned to your child's school, agent Hervé St-Surin. It targets all age groups and includes several activities that will be undertaken during the year.

Target Audience	Name of Activity
<b>Kindergarten 4</b>	"I know who to call in the case of an emergency" 9-1-1 song
<b>Kindergarten</b>	"I know the Police Officer at my School": Picture to Colour
<b>Grade 1</b>	"Mishmash": Conflict Resolution
<b>Grade 2</b>	Viewing of the Movie "When the Dust Settles"
<b>Grade 3</b>	"Our mission : to Defeat Bullying" Activity Book
<b>Grade 4</b>	Viewing of the Movie "Bully Dance"
<b>Grade 5</b>	"Speak up": Creative Contest
<b>Grade 6</b>	In Class Presentation on Bullying and Violence (two components)
<b>For all students</b>	"Let's Stand Together Against Violence and Bullying": Postcards
<b>For all students</b>	Bullying Awareness Week

Since parents are valuable allies in the fight against violence and bullying, we hope that you will agree to take part in this cause by discussing the program with your child. Together we can make a difference.

Sincerely,

Director,

Luc Beaudoin