

Classroom Suite 5.1 Harwood - a journey

THIS WAS A SUCCESS

WHO?



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23 - Grade ones
11 BOYS 12 GIRLS

- 3 IEP
- 1 HEARING
- 1 CHRONIC HEALTH
- PRE-K → GR 2 LEVELS
- LIMITED TECH AT HOME

WHAT?



USING CLASSROOM SUITE AS A LITERACY SUPPORT IN THE CLASSROOM FOR DIFFERENTIATION TO PROMOTE GROWTH IN ALL STUDENTS.

WHY?

HARWOOD ELEMENTARY IS LOCATED IN A LOWER SOCIO-ECONOMIC AREA OF SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 22. OFTEN, STUDENTS ARRIVE IN K/1 WITH SIGNIFICANT DELAY IN THEIR LITERACY DEVELOPMENT. OUR "HUNCH" WAS THAT CLASSROOM SUITE 5.1 AND ACCES TO TECHNOLOGY COULD BOOST STUDENTS' ABILITIES IN READING/WRITING AS AN AIDE TO THE REGULAR INSTRUCTION IN THE CLASSROOM.

WHERE DID WE START?



10 STUDENTS BELOW GRADE LEVEL




11 STUDENTS AT GRADE LEVEL

GOAL

IMPROVE RESULTS BY USING CLASSROOM SUITE 5.1 TO PROVIDE DAILY LEVELED LITERACY PRACTICE DURING **DAILY FIVE**.

HOW?

INITIAL EVALUATION OF  DETERMINED THE CLASSROOM SUITE PRE-LOADED ASSIGNMENTS FOR EACH STUDENT. THE TECHNOLOGY WAS THEN INTEGRATED INTO THE STUDENTS' **DAILY 5** ROUTINE.

PROGRESS WAS MONITORED AND ASSIGNMENTS ADJUSTED FOR INDIVIDUALS AS NEEDED. THE PROJECT STARTED WITH **READING/PHONOLOGICAL AWARENESS**

AND ADDED **WRITING** AS THE YEAR PROGRESSED. THIS PROCESS WAS DONE THROUGH COORDINATION BETWEEN THE CLASSROOM TEACHERS CHELSEA AND LILLIAN WITH SUPPORT FROM BRENDAN.



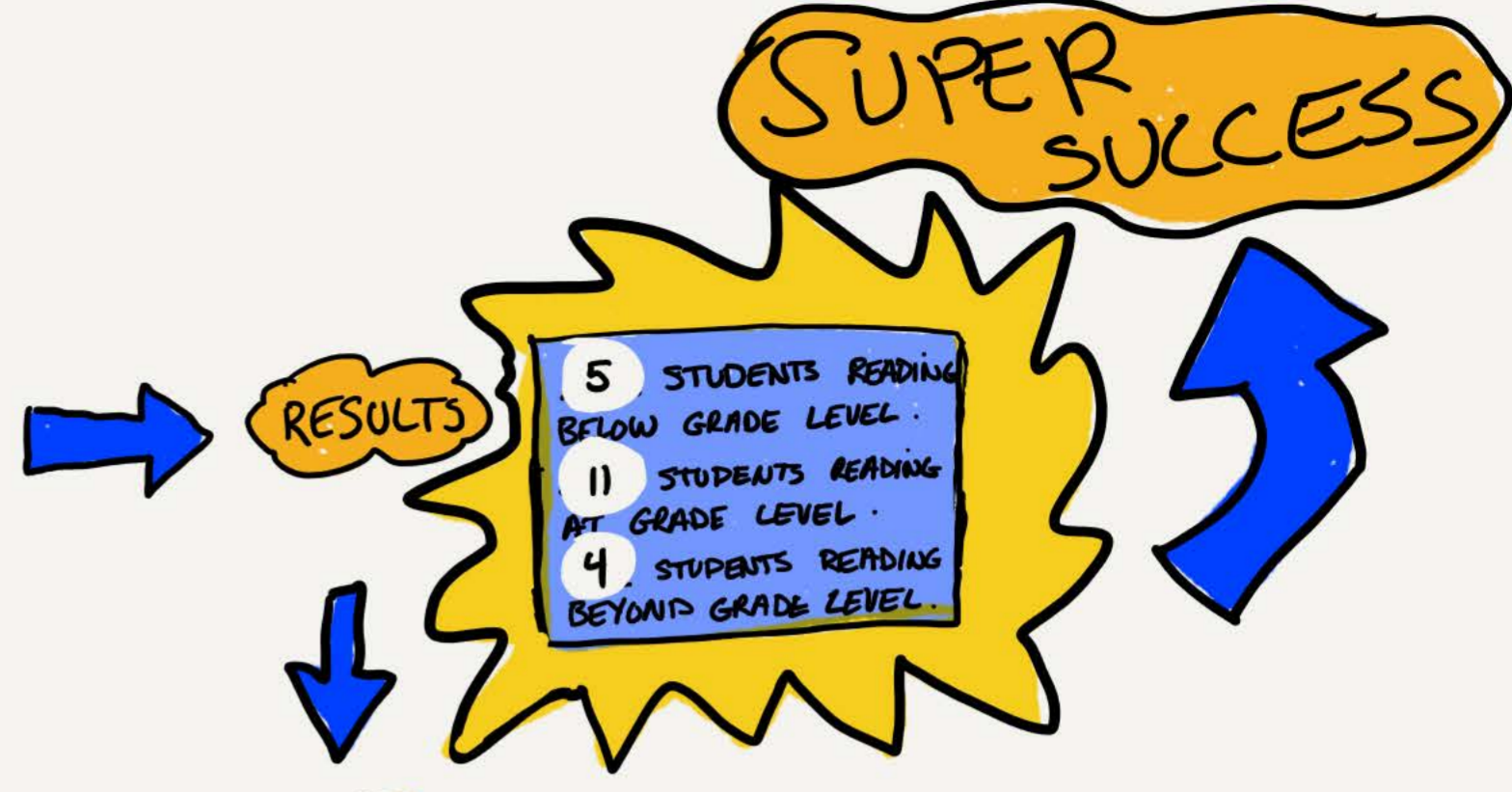
OUR "HUNCH"

WE FEEL THIS PROGRAM WAS BENEFICIAL TO ALL STUDENTS. WE WILL CONTINUE NEXT YEAR WITH FOUR CLASSES. TWO CLASSES WILL SHARE 5 COMPUTERS EACH AND USE CLASSROOM SUITE IN DAILY FIVE.



CHALLENGES

- 1. MAKING SURE STUDENTS WERE INDEPENDENT WITH THE TECHNOLOGY. IT TOOK TIME.
- 2. MONITORING PROGRESS WAS A CHALLENGE AS THE REPORTS WERE STORED ON LOCAL DRIVES OF EACH 10 COMPUTERS.



- 1. STUDENTS ARE MORE COMFORTABLE WITH THE USE OF TECHNOLOGY.
- 2. TEACHERS VIEW TECHNOLOGY AS A GREAT ASSISTIVE TOOL TO COMPLIMENT CLASSROOM INSTRUCTION. OTHER TECH WAS USED IN CLASS DD TO ACCESS TO LAPTOPS (EPIL! as example)
- 3. INTEREST IN USING COMPUTERS/CLASSROOM SUITE IN OTHER CLASSES NEXT YEAR.
- 4. WE WILL CONTINUE TO USE THE PROGRAM FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE YEAR.

NEXT STEP

NEXT YEAR WE WILL SHARE THE COMPUTERS WITH 4 CLASSES TO CONTINUE THE READING SUCCESS.