

FROM ME TO YOU

Sunil Mattu's Newsletter

THANKSGIVING: CAUSE FOR CELEBRATION!

This coming weekend is when we traditionally give thanks and praise for all of the good things that have been bestowed upon us. While families have different ways of celebrating this special time of the year, the goal remains the same: to express our gratitude for all that life has given us.

And we are indeed fortunate. We live in a prosperous and peaceful nation and a beautiful province. As Canadians, we are blessed with beautiful landscapes — oceans, mountains, forests, lakes prairies, and meadows — some of the most scenic vistas in the world. Citizens of other nations are envious of our social values. We care about others and do what we can to assist family, friends, and even strangers. Canadians and Albertans recognize the value of education and view it as a right for all, rather than a privilege for the few.

The Third Academy is honoured to be able to assist special needs students and their families. We're here to make a difference, to ensure that every Third Academy student receives the best possible education programming he or she so deeply deserves. To accomplish this, we have brought together a team of professionals committed to doing their best each and every day to ensure your child's success.

Frankly, the 2015-2016 school team is the most solid group of front-line staff, support personnel, leaders, and board members I have had the privilege to work

with since we started 19 years ago. I am confident that by continuing to work together — school, family, and student — we will achieve our vision: student success. Thank you for being part of the Third Academy family. To all: a Happy Thanksgiving!



Sunil Mattu, Executive Director

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GALA 2015: CELEBRATING A HIDDEN HERO

We did it again! On May 28th Third Academy's Annual Gala was an event celebrating the difference made to our community by a "Hidden Hero": Nomi Whalen. Nomi has been a longtime friend of Third Academy and joined us a Patron after the passing of her late husband, Third Academy's Founding Patron, Mr. Ed Whalen.

It was a glorious evening with celebrities and friends

honouring Nomi's contributions to her community over many decades. Our MC was Nirmala Naidoo and Frank Sisson gave the keynote.

A special thanks to the volunteers, staff members, organizers, and donors that made Gala 2015 a success. This is one of our major fundraisers. We raised \$30K on the night. We could not have done it without our community coming together.

First reminder: Casino around the corner.

Second reminder: Bingos are in full swing.

Third reminder: Run Santa Run slated for December.

Final reminder: the work to make Gala 2016 a success will begin shortly.

Please say 'yes' when called upon to support school fundraising efforts.

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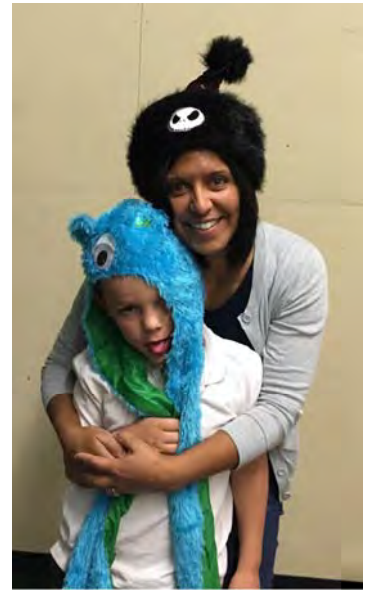
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LEARNING IS FUN!

Children learn best when they feel loved, worthy, accepted for who they are, and allowed to have fun. Third Academy provides opportunities for your children to celebrate being a child in a safe and caring environment. We treat the whole child through our programming, preparing and delivering diverse, individualized program plans. Your children are amazing, they can do remarkable things whether it be climbing a mountain or making a costume.



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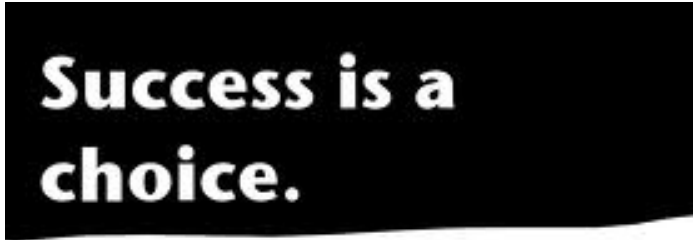
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It's mine.

“Third Academy gives hope... hope for kids, families, and our collective futures.”

Dr. S. Lal. Mattu, Third Academy Ambassador-at-Large

A NEW LOOK TO OUR WEBSITE

You may have noticed that we have launched a new design for our website. It's a fresh look that better reflects how Third Academy helps special needs children succeed. This year we are working hard to keep the website current with new content so that it is useful tool for our families to access for information about your school. On the website you will find archived copies of all of the newsletters we send home and current posts about what is happening at Third Academy. So please visit thirdacademy.ca often to see what's new!

