

Sharing in New Beginnings

Every day at KidsAbility School is a new adventure for both students and staff including Educational Assistant Kitty Stahle.

Kitty is most proud of the self-esteem that she helps nurture in each student — something that she has been doing since beginning her own journey as a member of KidsAbility School's staff in 2000.

"I chose to work here (after first volunteering for five years) because I believe in KidsAbility School's mission," says Kitty. "KidsAbility School supports full acceptance. I feel privileged to be a part of an experienced support system which aids our students in achieving their success."

Over the years, there have been many successes that Kitty has had the opportunity to witness. Choosing one specific moment as a favourite is difficult. A favourite memory, for Kitty, is one that repeats itself annually when staff welcome fresh, young, smiling faces into the classrooms.

With each new student comes new adventures and the opportunity to share in new beginnings with families, and to witness the expressions of excitement and hope in anticipation for their child's achievements.

"It's hard not to feel all things are possible in this incredibly positive atmosphere that's throughout the building. Just stand in the hallways of the school and you'll quickly see when you are welcomed with a smile," Kitty says.

As Kitty knows, the open communication with families is something that is an incredibly important part of each child's journey as a family plays a critical role on their child's team of care. This open communication helps to develop relationships that are rich in support, knowledge, experience, understanding and hope. Kitty adds that for children, the opportunity to be "just a kid" is a beautiful, wonderful thing!

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