

School District No. 67 (Okanagan Skaha)  
**PRESENTATIONS AT THE BOARD MEETING**  
May 14, 2007



**West Bench Elementary School**

West Bench Elementary School has been using "Guided Reading Instruction" with the goal of making West Bench students become independent readers. Principal Chris Philpotts and teachers Lisa Edwards, Grade 1, and Moira Hennen, Grades 3 and 4, made a presentation to the Board explaining why guided reading is an excellent strategy to use with students as well as their experience with guided reading in their classrooms. This literacy based strategy allows children to develop at their own pace and to become independent readers. It was noted that 16 teachers from other schools visited Ms. Edwards' classroom during March to watch children learn from this strategy.