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NEWS RELEASE

New iPad Classroom Coming to St. Patrick School in Kapuskasing Kapuskasing, March 29, 2011

The idea behind this new technology project is to introduce a class that uses iPads for daily work, exploring and producing student work in different media, supporting student instruction and student learning. Simply, the iPad would engage technology more frequently to work in the areas of Literacy and Numeracy at St. Patrick School.

John Casonato, St. Patrick School Teacher and Project Leader, comments "Students would be given the opportunity to use a technology that many view as a leisure item to complete research, investigate, report produce and present in class. More importantly it can be a starting point for struggling student to realize that technology is good for everyone."

St. Patrick School received a \$33,000.00 grant to purchase a class set of iPads, the applications, a charging and docking cart and the funds to install wireless technology into a classroom.

Gretchen Morgan, Principal at St. Patrick School, added "This is a great opportunity to show students the power and value of technology that is often used more for games and texting as more of a learning, organizing and sharing tool. The motivational value of technology will also be of benefit to boys who often tune out of traditional teaching strategies."

St. Patrick School is anxiously awaiting the implementation of its new iPad classroom, which will integrate technology into instruction to support student learning.

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