

Testimonials

"The children were absolutely captivated! The puppets became real and the puppeteers disappeared. The message, language and Footsteps were perfect." Andrea Clarke, Canyon Meadows School

"The interaction between the children and the puppets was delightful to watch and provided a hands-on learning opportunity for the children." Bobbie Werth, Bears paw Christian School

"It was funny to watch but had a serious message too. The puppets were like real kids!" Janet Layton, Killarney School

"The puppeteers were dynamic and the presentation fast paced. The messages were clear and easy to grasp. The role playing by students with the puppets was excellent!" Penny Couillard, Joe Clark School, High River

"Effective at increasing the number of positive strategies as well as reducing the number of negative, or aggressive, strategies students stated they would use." Dr. Tanya Beran, University of Calgary

"Overall, the Puppets for Peace performance seem to have had a positive effect on students' understanding and management of bullying." Dr. Bonnie Shapiro, University of Calgary

"Continue your awesome work! The topic of peace within our own community is so relevant." Helena Wilson, Cardinal Newman School

"I used to act like a bully but I don't anymore. The rules help everyone get along better." Student, Deer Run Elementary

"I liked how you included the students in the decision making process. Very age appropriate show, Hockey Cards. Your show gives our students tools to deal with bullying, thanks" Ms. Stewart, Don Bosco Elementary School.

"I loved everything about the show. It was very entertaining, even for us teachers. Great characters, great message. The puppets are very real!" D. Apuzzo, Our Lady of Fatima

"Great age appropriate messages and interaction with students. Fabulous props and good humor to reinforce the message."
C. Doll, St Monica

"The puppet show kept the students engaged in the topic and was an effective way of dealing with the bullying." J. Ray-Skopik, Le Roi Daniels

"The shows presented very real situations for our students. Great performance." T.Dharamsi-Sayani, Cambrian Heights Elementary school.

"We help kids to stand tall and be assertive." says ventriloquist Val Hilliker. One young girl said: **"think of all the things you can do about bullying, I didn't know there were so many."** **"That's exactly what we want to hear."** says a clearly delighted Meredith Perry-Taylor, puppeteer. *From the Claresholm Newspaper: Playful Puppets Produce Poised Performance. By Ian Shute Claresholm news. December 1st 2004.*