

Dear Parents of Kindergarten students,

To use the home support program, you need the **ORANGE DUOTANG** which contains the pages that correspond to each **AUDIO TRACK** on the website. The voice corresponds to a printed page.

To find the website, go to the Ecole Robb Road home page. Link to Parent Information and choose “Learning Support Resources.” Scroll down to the Kindergarten tracks.

Students who receive Learning Support will bring home a package with the ORANGE DUOTANG and possibly a CD (if the CD is available). **If your child does not receive Learning Support**, but the teacher would like you to use this Home Support Program, contact the Learning Support teacher in the Learning Center, who can lend you one. The Kindergarten teacher also has a copy of the duotang and may photocopy pages to be sent home for extra practice when needed.

Refer to the Table of Contents for the Progression of skills and tracks.

Tracks 1-21 correspond to the Kindergarten Vocabulary Booklet contained in the package. For each letter of the alphabet, there is a picture of a keyword eg. “a” for “avion” and 4 more pictures of vocabulary words that start with the same letter. These words were chosen by the Kindergarten teachers as the most common words for the children to learn. These tracks will help your child learn five vocabulary words, by picture, for each letter of the alphabet. With my voice, he/she points to the picture of the word and repeats after me, or says the word at the same time. Tracks 15 and 21 sing the alphabet song using the last page of the Vocabulary booklet.

This vocabulary component will also be useful for children entering into Grade one without French Kindergarten and for parents who would like to learn along with their children. The booklet is contained in the Learning Support package or is available by order through the SD71 Print Shop. Link to Parent Resources on the Home Page for the order form and place all orders through our secretary.

Catalogue address :<http://www.sd71.bc.ca/resources/lrc/Print%20Shop%20Catalogue.pdf>

Tracks 22-53 correspond to the orange duotang contained in the Learning Support package. Each track focuses on a letter of the alphabet with two songs to help your child remember the letter name, the keyword, and the sound for each letter. He/she can turn to the corresponding page in the duotang, listen to the song, sing along, and make the actions at the same time. The words and actions are indicated on each page. **Click on Tracks 64 and 65 for all the letters in one song: 64 for the longer version and 65 for the shorter version as a review.**

Tracks 53-65 correspond to the pages in the orange duotang with the alphabet and keyword images. Your child should listen to my voice and follow along with his/her finger pointing to the correct letter and saying it along with me, depending on the directions for that particular page.

I generally advise about 10 minutes of practice each night. It is better to do a little bit frequently than a longer session less often. Many children respond well to the use of stickers as incentives to do the extra practice. Regular practice makes a significant difference to individual progress. Please take good care of this resource package which will need to be returned in June.

Also, don't hesitate to call the Learning Support Teacher with any questions @250-339-6864.

(package created and recorded by Dale Acheson: retired Learning Support Teacher)