



**Dr. Patricia Porter, Ph.D., Dip. Sp. Ed., Dip. Ed. B.**

Dr. Patricia Porter taught children with learning difficulties in both England and Canada. She understands that literacy is the key to all learning, and that parents have a vital role to play in helping children learn. When she retired from the Vancouver School Board she created Leading to Learning ([www.leading2learning.com](http://www.leading2learning.com)) to help parents provide children with learning support.

Patricia met Frances while organizing a 'Read Together Day' at Vancouver Public Library where families had fun, shared books, and learned how they could borrow books. Frances invited her to join Rotary where, as a member of Vancouver Quadra, she has been involved in the Literacy Committee for several years.

Patricia believes that literacy is much more than reading and writing, and that Rotary clubs can support literacy in many different ways.