



GRADE FIVE WEEKLY UPDATE

Friday, May 25, 2018

It was lovely to hear about the wonderful long weekend experiences each of the Grade Five students had. Everyone was well-rested to make the most of our four-day week, and it is impressive how much they continue to accomplish academically. Socially, the students have thoroughly enjoyed their outdoor lunch recesses and time in the cafeteria, and it is heart-warming to see the strong bond they share with one another, as well as with other students in the school. Congratulations to Ashaz for earning his first High Five acknowledgement (for writing five book reports) and congratulations to Michael for earning his second High Five acknowledgement (for writing a total of ten book reports). Well done!

Science: This week the students reviewed and revised their learning for their Humans and Animals Unit. They did especially well with learning specific scientific terminology for different parts/systems of the human body, and they have shown a great ability to apply what they've learned to successfully complete their reinforcement activities. Next week, they will complete some review sheets in class to demonstrate their overall learning.

Social Studies: The Grade Five class had an assessment this week on the beginning of the Renaissance and the Reformation. The students are finishing their historical biography about an important person in the Renaissance period that made significant contributions to science, art and music.

English: The students worked on creating lines of poetry from their brainstorming of ideas (words/phrases) connected to their topic of choice. The biggest challenge of this task was to try and include a rhyming pattern and an example of alliteration. This week they also participated in "The Great Canadian Mail Race", a fun, educational activity that encourages students from all over Canada to write letters to another student in their grade. The goal is to be the first student to receive a reply!

Math: The students worked diligently to successfully convert time in days, hours, and minutes into months and into minutes. They thoroughly enjoyed the "During 2012" activity which provided different times five people took circumnavigating the Earth (travelling around the world), and they worked well, using a calendar, to determine journey start and end dates using the information provided. They also investigated how different times around the world occur, calculating time differences and times around the world, reading analogue clocks and using the 24-hour clock system.

French: Students were given their end of year project which is on ‘Ma maison’. We have been studying vocabulary that is related to this unit since a few weeks. They are also working on writing their paragraphs in class.

Health and Physical Education: This week, the students in Grade Five completed their Outdoor Soccer unit. This unit covered positions, rules, proper dribbling technique, footwork, passing, shooting, game strategy and game play. The Human Development and Sexual Health Unit will begin next week. This unit will cover the reproductive system, spermatogenesis, menstruation, and emotional and interpersonal stresses in puberty.

Music (Strings): This is our last week before our final strings tests. We have been working hard on “Hedwig’s Theme” in class, and practicing at home is absolutely necessary in order for the students to succeed next week!

Art: The students are learning about ancient Celtic gold jewelry design and are designing their own Fibulas or Pins featuring a Celtic stylized animal or mythological animal and Celtic knot work.

Please ask your child:

1. Which two features are similar in the poems, “The Whistling Wind” and “The Wind”?
2. How do you convert months into days, and days into hours? Provide an example.
3. What are the names of the three main parts of the brain?

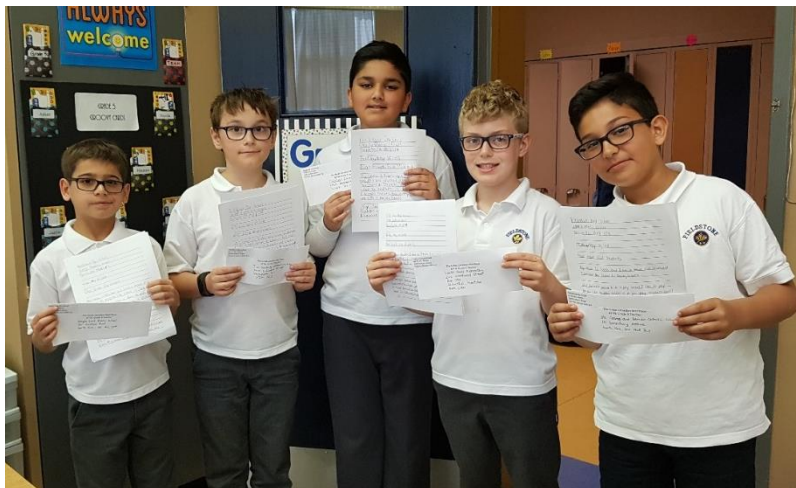
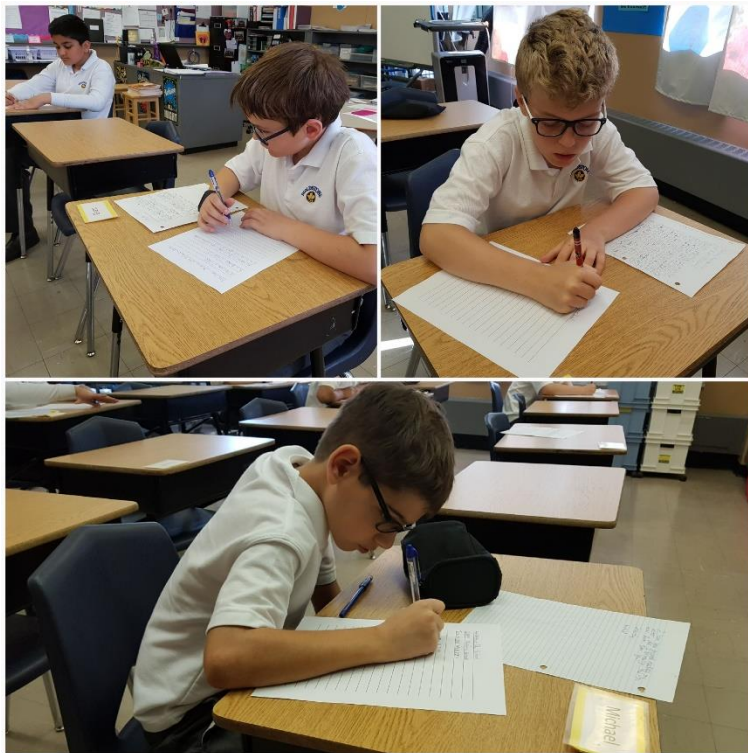
WHAT’S HAPPENING NEXT WEEK IN GRADE FIVE

Monday May 28	Tuesday May 29	Wednesday May 30	Thursday May 31	Friday June 1
Regular uniform	Gym Uniform	Number One uniform	Regular uniform	Regular uniform
Gym Strings Test Book Club Myth Mini-Assignment Due	Gr. 4-5 Field Trip Royal Botanical Gardens Packed lunch and water bottle Proper footwear and outerwear (rain or shine!)	Softball Tournament Waste Free House Lunch Gym	Strings	Gym

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

UPCOMING SIGNIFICANT DATES

Spring Arts Night	<i>Thursday, June 14th at 7:00 p.m.</i>
K-5 Field Trip to Black Creek Pioneer Village	<i>Tuesday, June 12th</i>
Grade 8 Graduation/Last Day of Classes	<i>Wednesday, June 20th</i>
Awards Ceremony	<i>Thursday, June 21st at 1:00 p.m.</i>



Athletic Announcements:
 May 30 – Elementary Softball Tournament
 Kilometer Club is back!