



Kindergarten Weekly Update

Friday, December 2, 2022

Language Arts Ms. Vela	This week we focussed on differentiating the letters b, d, p and q, as well as remembering that 'qu' always stick together to make the "kw" sound. In our small groups we learned the "sh" and "th" digraphs, learned to read CVC words, and practised recognizing sounds at the beginning of different words. On Thursday we began our "12 days of Holiday/Winter Stories" with "Who took Frosty's Nose?" followed by "Pete the Cat Saves Christmas" on Friday. We will be focussing on characters, settings, conflict and predictions as we read our stories. After each story is read we will be adding a photo of the cover to our class Christmas tree!
Mathematics Ms. Vela	This week we continued to work on subtraction! The kiddos met "Linus the Minus" who helps us make smaller numbers. The kiddos used the cross out method to help them calculate subtraction within 10, and the Senior Kindergarteners were challenged to look at pictures and determine the subtraction question being asked!
Science Ms. Vela	This week we finished our forces and motions unit! We will be spending our upcoming science blocks conducting different STEM experiments!
History/Geography Ms. Vela	This week we wrapped up our Canadian symbols unit and started our "Holiday Traditions Around the World" by travelling to Germany! We learned that children write letters to Das Christkind and leave them on their windowsill for her to find and Der Nikolous leaves candy in kids' shoes. The kiddos even learned the tradition of the pickle and made their own pickle ornaments.
Visual Arts Mme Lechallier	This week the Kindergarten students continued working on the wildlife project and they were introduced to Indian culture to recreate the Taj Mahal and on their other project the Wildlife

French Mme Lechallier	This week the Kindergarten students continued working on learning the song “Frosty le bonhomme de neige” for the Winter Showcase.
Health & Physical Education Mr. Makubuya	This week the Kindergarten students continued to learn and participate in some Invasion and Territory Games; playing Guard the Pin, Pass and Invade .
Music Mr. Morales	The Kindergarten students spent the week singing the song “ <i>We Wish You a Merry Christmas</i> ” which they will be performing for the school’s Winter Showcase. Students also listened to a variety of holiday music in class.

Please ask your child:

1. What is the tradition of the pickle ornament in Germany?
2. What letter always sticks with Q?

Monday December 5	Tuesday December 6	Wednesday December 7	Thursday December 8	Friday December 9
P.E. uniform	Regular uniform	P.E. uniform	Regular uniform	P.E. uniform



Grade One/Two Weekly Update

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Language Arts Mr. Murray	Students continued guided reading in levelled groups, reviewing phoneme sounds, writing in guidelines, and began reading “Charlie and The Chocolate Factory” by Roald Dahl. Students also discussed words that are singular and plural, and when to use -s -es or -ies.
Mathematics Mr. Murray	Students continued their geometry unit by completing a 3D shape booklet, and composing pyramids with pipe cleaners. Students also explored acute, obtuse, right, and straight angles, as well as how to use a protractor.
Science Mr. Murray	Students continued learning about matter by observing and measuring buoyancy and absorbance, as well as discussing appropriate materials for different objects.
History/Geography Mr. Murray	Students continued learning about The Sumerians by discussing their way of life and their inventions. Students attempted to carry objects on their head and create slings, as well as, completed their Sumerian booklet.
Visual Arts Mme Lechallier	This week the Grade Ones and Twos finished working on their project the Taj Mahal using colour painting.
French Mme Lechallier	This week Grade Ones and Twos continued learning the song “Bonjour l’hiver” for the Winter Showcase. Students were introduced to verb être and verb avoir in present tense.
Health & Physical Education Mr. Makubuya	This week our Grade One and Two class participated in Invasion and Territory Games; playing games such as Cornerball, Castle Protector and Guard the Pin!
Music Mr. Morales	The Grade Ones and Twos continued working on the song “Oh Christmas Tree” which they will be performing at our school’s Winter Showcase. Students are learning to perform parts of the song with voice, violin, and percussion.

Please ask your child:

1. What does an acute angle look like?
2. What is more absorbent, a sponge or paper?

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Regular uniform	P.E. uniform Violin	Regular uniform	P.E. uniform Violin	P.E. uniform Violin



Grade Three/Four Weekly Update

Friday, December 2, 2022

Language Arts Mrs. Haddad	The students revised topic sentences, subjects, predicates, nouns, verbs, and adjectives. They were able to split the run-on sentences into two simple sentences and add either a subject or predicate to fragment statements to make complete sentences. Students also practised writing using simple sentences and adjectives. Great work!
Mathematics Ms. Vela	The students are continuing to work on time by practising, reading clocks, timetables and determining how much time has elapsed between two periods.
Science Mrs. Haddad	This week students continued to collect evidence, make relevant observations and comparisons, and record the measured time in an activity. They read data about melting points of different metals and drew a bar chart. They made observations and explained their ideas using the particle model. Students were encouraged to compare, identify simple trends, and think of reasons for this, as well as explaining data by using their scientific knowledge.
History/Geography Mrs. Haddad	This week students reviewed what we have learned in the previous chapters about Canada's indigenous peoples. How did they adapt to the environments in which they lived? They learned more about how Canada's Geography and climate influence the ways people live. They were able to look for ways in which the environment may influence where and how people live in Canada. Students specifically focused on describing and locating the different regions in Canada. They were encouraged to communicate the results of their inquiry using appropriate and specific vocabulary related to the topic. Keep it up!

Visual Arts Mme Lechallier	This week Grade Threes and Fours finished working on the landscaping by using cold and warm colours.
French Mme Lechallier	This week Grade Threes and Fours continued working on the spelling and vocabulary of the Winter theme. They will have a quiz on Dec 8. Students continued to rehearse “Le pingouin du pole nord” for the Winter Showcase.
Health & Physical Education Mr. Makubuya	This week our grade Threes and Fours participated in Invasion and Territory games; playing Pirate Invasion, Guard the Pin, and CornerBall. Great effort and teamwork from everyone this week!
Music Mr. Morales	This week the Grade Three and Four Class started performing simple exercises that will help them understand whole, half, quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes along with their equivalent rests. Students also listened to a variety of Christmas music in class.

Please ask your child:

1. How does the particle model help to explain a melting point?
2. Why should you never put your hand in steam?

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P.E. uniform Violin	P.E. uniform	Regular uniform Violin	P.E. uniform	Regular uniform Violin



IMPORTANT DATES

Friday, December 2	November Reports are available on Connect Portal
Tuesday, December 6	Anti-Bullying Workshops (JK to Grade 4 and Grades 5 to 8)
Wednesday, December 7	FPA Winter Holiday Market in the library – Stay tuned for more info.
Thursday, December 8	Parent-Teacher Interviews. Student dismissal at 11:40 a.m. Aftercare will be available (free of charge) until 3:00 p.m.
Tuesday, December 13	Rehearsal for Winter Showcase. Number One Dress. Winter Showcase Luncheon (pizzas and drinks) provided by Fieldstone. Students can bring their own lunch if they do not prefer pizzas.
Wednesday, December 14	Winter Showcase (6:00 – 8:00 p.m.) – All parents are encouraged to attend this amazing event. All JK to G8 students are required to attend. Number One Dress

Thursday, December 15	Winter Holiday PJ Day
Friday, December 16	FPA Pizza Lunch and Festive Attire Day
December 19 – January 2	Winter Break