

# **Grade Five/Six Weekly Update**

## Friday, November 17, 2023

English Ms. Carey	This week Grade Five students learned how to identify nouns, verbs, adjectives, pronouns, prepositions and conjunctions. They practiced identifying them in an article that they read and were able to create their own sentences using them.  This week Grade Six read more of the 'Secret Garden' they were introduced to yet another character in the book and this gave way for a fantastic conversation about the story so far. Students really
	enjoy reading this book aloud and using their 'english accents' to really get into character.
<b>Math</b> Ms. Sharma	This week Grade Five started learning about Fractions- proper and improper fractions. They had so many questions regarding fractions and we had discussions regarding the same and they ended up having so much fun where they used daily life examples like cutting pizza slices and using a cake as an example to explain fractions. They will continue learning more next week.
	This week Grade Six started learning about angles. They learnt about all three types of angles and learnt how to use a protractor to measure angles. They had fun working with a protractor to measure angles.
Science Mr. Jamali	This week Grade Five students completed learning about soils and started working on their presentations. Grade Six completed learning about the different types of energy resources and how they are used. Grade Six also started working on their presentations on renewable and non-renewable energy resources.
History/Geography Ms. Carey	This week Grade Five discovered more about the Mayan people; they discovered how their civilization was organized. They compared the Mayan calendar to the calendar we use today and were shocked at how close in date they got it. They also explored hieroglyphics and discovered the ways it is like a code.
	This week Grade Six explored the limits that came with Athenian Democracy. They were horrified to hear that women had limitations

	placed on them and their rights in civilization. They also learned about the roles of the enslaved people during this time.
<b>Visual Arts</b> Mrs. Haddad	This week, the students continued their Greece art project. Particular attention was dedicated to learning how to create a beautiful Greek amphora. Cannot wait to see the final phase!
French Mme Lechallier	This week the students are still continuing to learn their class song for the Winter Showcase "La nuit de Noel." Along with that, the students are on their winter vocabulary and they are introduced to the body part vocabulary.
Health & Physical Education Mr. Makubuya	This week our Grade Five and Six class completed part one of the Yearly fitness test. They will look to beat their scores in round 2 before March Break!
Music Mr. Morales	The Grade Fives and Sixes spent the week polishing their ensemble performance of <i>The Beat Goes On</i> in a Brazilian bossa nova style. Students are expanding their roles as soloists and the supporting rhythm section through various improvisational concepts that include: modal theory, comping, bossa nova rhythms, and harmonic inversions. The class also learned to play the song Winter Waltz this week.

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# **Grade Seven/Eight Weekly Update**

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English Ms. Carey	This week Grade Seven have just about reached the end of their novel 'The Giver.' They cannot believe it is almost over but are really looking forward to reaching the end of their unanswered questions they have about the character, the Giver. Their curious minds have really given them food for thought throughout our reading.
	This week Grade Eight read more of their novel 'The Outsiders.' They have just reached the climax of the story and were so shocked at what happened. This led to some interesting conversation about the characters and decision making, how you distinguish right from wrong. They are really enjoying reading this novel as they find it very relatable.
Math Mr. Murray	Students completed their unit on multiplication, division, and rounding of numbers of decimals with a unit test.
Science Ms. Sharma	This week Grade Seven started learning about the circulatory system. They learnt how the heart, blood and blood vessels play a major role in the system, about blood pressure and how heart beats change with high and low blood pressure. They will continue learning about this more in the coming week.
	This week, Grade Eight started learning about life adaptation. They discussed habitat and adaptation and how different plants survive in different adaptations. They had so much fun discussing the knowledge they gained after watching a video on adaptation. They will continue learning about this more in the coming week.
History/Geography Ms. Carey	This week Grade Seven focused on the distribution of land between the French settlers and the First Nation People. They compared and contrasted land distribution, resources and its use. They looked at the Seigneurial System that was used by the government to divide up the land.

	This week Grade Eight discovered that during the 1800's, unless you came from a wealthy family, children in working class families were expected to go to work. They were shocked to hear that some children would go to work for 12 hours a day from an early age such as 6 and 7. They compared the attitudes about child labour in the 1800's to our attitude towards it today.
<b>Visual Arts</b> Mrs. Haddad	This week, the students gained a better understanding of Indigenous culture. They learned more about North American animals, their symbolism, and importance to Indigenous culture. The students examined masks and will be asked next week to design their own.
French Mme Lechallier	This week the students continuing on learning their class song for the winter showcase "Mon beau sapin" along with that the students have be introduced to the Positif and negatif sentence "J'aime les bonbons, je n'aime pas les bonbons, j'ai un chien, je n'ai pas de chien."
Health & Physical Education Mr. Makubuya	This week our Grade Seven and Eight class completed their Physical Activity For Life Test!
Music Mr. Morales	The Grade Sevens and Eights spent the week working through a large repertoire that includes: Las Vegas Tango (jazz standard), Canon In D (classical), and Invincible Star Theme Super Mario Bros. (soundtrack). Students are making their way through increasingly complex arrangements of the aforementioned music.

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### **IMPORTANT DATES**

Friday, November 24, 2023	House Meetings FPA Pizza Lunch and Grub Day (Jersey Day)
The week of November 27	Fall Clubs end on Friday, December 1
Friday, December 1, 2023	November Reports will be available on Edsembli Connect
Thursday, December 7, 2023	Parent-Teacher Interviews Early Dismissal at 11:40 a.m. After-care will be available free of charge until 3:00 p.m.
Wednesday, December 13, 2023	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.