

Kindergarten Weekly Update

Language Arts Ms. Vela	This week the Kindergarteners practised reading and writing CVC words with short-o and short-u. They also listened to holiday stories such as "How the Grinch Stole Christmas" and "Snowmen at Christmas."	
Math Ms. Vela	This week the Kindergarteners reviewed addition, odd and even numbers and recognizing numbers to 10. They used a number line to help them complete a colour by code activity.	
Science Ms. Vela	This week the Kindergarteners made slime by mixing glue, saline solution and baking soda. They had fun moulding their slime into different shapes!	
History/Geography Ms. Vela	This week the Kindergartners learned about the German tradition of hiding a pickle in a tree. They decorated their own pickles to put on their trees at home.	
Visual Arts Ms. Vela	This week the Kindergartners used oil pastels to create a colourful sky and then added silhouettes of trees and land.	
French Mme Lechallier	This week the students rehearsed on stage to get ready for the Winter showcase along with game "Jacques a dit, le chef d'orchestre, la chandelle, le cochon pendue."	
Health & Physical Education Mr. Makubuya	This week our Kindergarten Class prepared for the winter showcase! We enjoyed some fun House Games with the rest of FDS on Friday.	
Music Mr. Morales	The Kindergarten class had a great time this week with dress rehearsals and finally, a spectacular performance at this year's Winter Concert.	

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Grade One/Two Weekly Update

Students listened to the story <i>James and the Giant Peach</i> , continued reviewing the letter sounds and shapes, challenged with the spelling of important sight words, performed guided reading tasks in levelled readers, and looked at the structure of letters as they wrote to Santa Claus.	
Students began looking at clocks and telling time, and created a Christmas grinch clock to practise with. Students also reviewed 3D shapes by turning marshmallow-spaghetti skeletons into Christmas ornaments.	
Students continued looking at the force of gravity and observed how the height by which an item falls impacts the crater the object makes.	
Students reviewed Sumerian facts and performed a Sumerian witchcraft ritual. Students made voodoo dolls to represent a loved one, and conducted an ancient good luck spell for the protection of their loved ones.	
This week the students finish working on their amazing Chinese art "Panda."	
This week the students rehearsed on stage to get ready for the Winter showcase along with the game "le cochon pendu, le chef d'orchestre."	
This week our Grade One and Two Class prepared for the winter showcase! We enjoyed some fun House Games with the rest of FDS on Friday.	
The Grade Ones and Twos had a great time this week with dress rehearsals and finally, a spectacular performance at this year's Winter Concert.	

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Please ask your child:

- What is gravity?
- What time is it if the short hand is at 6 and the long hand is at 12?



Grade Three Weekly Update

Language Arts Mrs. Haddad	Immersing themselves in the wonders of aquatic life, our enthusiastic third-grade students dove into a captivating text about fish. Empowered with knowledge, they embarked on a literary journey, crafting articulate responses that reflected their astonishment and curiosity. Encouraged to structure their thoughts into cohesive paragraphs, these budding writers meticulously weaved details from the text, unveiling the elements that sparked surprise within them.
Maths Ms. Sharma	This week Grade Three continued learning about how to represent and compare fractions and use them as operators. We worked on fractions using a fun activity to draw their fav. shapes and make their own fractions, which helped make fractions more understandable.
Science Ms. Sharma	This week Grade Three learnt how Tsunami causes landslides and read a case study about an earthquake in Chile. They watched a video about the Tsunami in India and couldn't believe how disasters affect nature and lives.
History/Geography Ms. Carey	This week Grade Three learned all about Spanish Explorers that found themselves sailing to North America on what they thought was a journey to the west Indies. Students learned a song called about a particular explorer, Christopher Coloumbus and his voyage in 1492. This really helped the students understand the exploration and also gave them a chance to display their fantastic voices. Well done Grade Three!
Visual Arts Mme Lechallier	This week the students finished working on their amazing Chinese art "dragon."
French Mme Lechallier	This week the students rehearsed on stage to get ready for the Winter showcase along with the game "mime, devine qui suis- je? le cochon pendue."

Health & Physical Education Mr. Makubuya	This week our Grade Three Class prepared for the winter showcase! We enjoyed some fun House Games with the rest of FDS on Friday.
Music Mr. Morales	The Grade Threes had a great time this week with dress rehearsals and finally, a spectacular performance at this year's Winter Concert.

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Grade Four Weekly Update

Language Arts Mrs. Haddad	Continuing our literary voyage through the novel, we traversed its chapters, unravelling the intricate plot threads and delving deep into its nuances. Engaging in thought-provoking discussions, we dissected pivotal moments, employing adverbial phrases to vividly articulate character motivations and the evolution of the storyline. Through this exploration, we honed our comprehension skills, navigating the text's complexities with insightful reflections and collaborative analysis.
Maths Ms. Sharma	This week Grade Four continued learning about comparing different experiments to learn about probability. We worked on probability using activities that helped make probability more understandable. We even played a fun bingo multiplication game to review multiplication tables. They were so active and excited to play the game and had a great time!
Science Mrs. Haddad	This week, the Grade Four classroom became a stage for insightful student project presentations on community noise sources and solutions. Each presentation was a window into understanding the cacophony around us, as students delved into the myriad sources of noise in our communities. With thoughtful analysis and creative solutions, they harmonised ideas on how to mitigate these disturbances, transforming our shared spaces into havens of tranquillity. Through these presentations, our class not only explored the impact of noise but also discovered the power of collective action in creating a quieter, more serene community environment.
History/Geography Mrs. Haddad	Our focus this week settled on the awe-inspiring landscapes of mountains in Unit Two. Through immersive review sessions, we ventured across towering peaks and rugged terrains, exploring their formation, diverse ecosystems, and global significance. Engaging discussions and interactive activities helped us solidify our understanding, enabling us to appreciate the geological

	marvels and the profound impact these majestic landforms have on our world.
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Health & Physical Education Mr. Makubuya	This week our Grade Four Class prepared for the winter showcase! We enjoyed some fun House Games with the rest of FDS on Friday.
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Please ask your child:

- Describe the mountain pass and a plateau.
- Name two mountain ranges located in North America.



IMPORTANT DATES

Tuesday, January 2	Classes resume
Monday, January 22	Winter Clubs begin
January 24 – 26	In-Class Public Speaking Speeches (G1 to 8)
Friday, January 26	FPA Pizza Lunch
	Pyjama Day
Thursday, February 1	G1-8 Public Speaking Showcase
Thursday, February 15	Photo Day - Number One uniform (Retakes - School/Grad photos)
Friday, February 16	PD Day - No classes