

Grade Five/Six Weekly Update

Friday, December 1, 2023

English Ms. Carey	This week, Grade Five and Six began their public speaking unit. They have worked really hard to pick their topic, research, plan, outline and draft their speeches. Students have come up with some really unique and different topics. Well done, Grade Five and Six!
Math Ms. Sharma	This week, Grade Five started working on Measurement: Area of rectangle, square and triangles. They did an activity by measuring some objects and calculated the area of the same. This helped them understand how to calculate area.
	This week, Grade Six started working on planning and collecting data. They learnt how primary and secondary data is collected. They are working on a survey report on their decided topic and will be sharing their survey reports soon in class.
Science Mr. Jamali	This week, Grade Five completed learning about food chains, food webs and the threats they face. Students cemented their learning by completing a case study and had a lot of fun!
	This week, Grade Six completed learning about the different types of materials that we use and their properties. They learned the distinctive properties of metals, non-metals, and materials we see and use every day like plastic, glass, and fibers. They cemented their learning by discerning what material should be used to make different things and had a lot of fun!
History/Geography Ms. Carey	This week Grade Five and Six brought their artistic skills into History class. Grade Five became part of the Maya civilization and recreated clay sculptures of art from this period. Meanwhile Grade Six stepped back into the world of the Ancient Greek and recreated their favorite sculpture of the columns from the time.
Visual Arts Mrs. Haddad	This week, the students continued their Greece art project. Particular attention was dedicated to drawing the god or goddess that will be in the middle of their vase. This part took a good

	amount of sketching time. Cannot wait to see the final phase!
French Mme Lechallier	This week the Grade Five and Six wrote a test on the body part. They also recite their "poésie." Students are finishing updating the last little details of their songs in order to be able to perform on the day of the Winter Showcase.
Health & Physical Education Mr. Makubuya	This week our Grade Five and Six class participated in some interactive team games as well as continuing competing in some Ball Hockey games!
Music Mr. Morales	The Grade Fives and Sixes spent the week working on their performance of <i>The Beat Goes On</i> which they will perform at the Winter Concert. The arrangement of the song continues to increase in complexity as students add new notes to their parts, explore new options for Brazilian bossa nova rhythms, test their creative skills through jazz improvisation and the mixolydian mode, and further develop their ability to follow a conductor along a complex piece while reading notated music.

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Grade Seven/Eight Weekly Update

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English Ms. Carey	This week Grade Seven and Eight put their Worldly Wise words to good use as they began writing their Christmas short stories. The students have really shown how creative they can be and also that they fully understood the words they learned and their context.
Math Mr. Murray	Grades Sevens and Eights continued focusing on solving problems with units, like calculating distance when speed and time is provided, or finding the total price of different volumes or weights which require changes to the units, for instance, the price of a product per kilogram, when only grams are provided.
Science Ms. Sharma	This week Grade Seven started learning about the Respiratory System. They learnt how breathing and respiration works in a human body and how the heart works along with lungs. They also learnt how to draw and label the human respiratory system and did a really great job.
	This week Grade Eight continued working on Adaptation. They learnt how decomposers, population and pollution affects the environment, how habitat destruction is affecting the animal habitats and how protecting the environment is important to reduce global warming. They had so much to discuss related to global warming and what they thought can be done to improve it.
History/Geography Ms. Carey	This week, both Grade Seven and Eight explored the world of the beginning of Canada and the fight for land. Grade Seven explored what the First Nations people had to offer and why the Europeans were so interested in settling here. Meanwhile, Grade Eight delved into a discussion of women in the workforce in Quebec. They discovered what jobs they had and what opportunities and difficulties they faced.
Visual Arts Mrs. Haddad	This week, the students continued working on their own aboriginal animal masks as inspired by first nations art. They prepared masks

	with cardboard and masking tape to form the animal shape. Cannot wait to see the results!
French Mme Lechallier	This week the Grade Seven and Eight wrote a test on body parts. They also recited their "poésie." Students are finishing updating the last little details of their songs in order to be able to perform on the day of the Winter Showcase.
Health & Physical Education Mr. Makubuya	This week our Grade Seven and Eight class continued to work on their Volleyball skills as well as going through their Physical Activity for Life Quiz results.
Music Mr. Morales	The Grade Sevens and Eights sounded fantastic as they continued to prepare <i>Canon In D</i> (classical) and <i>Las Vegas Tango</i> (jazz) for the Winter Concert. Students also made their way through new music including <i>E-Happy</i> and <i>The Beat Goes On</i> .

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IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday, December 6, 2023	Holiday Market in the School Library
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.
Thursday, December 14, 2023	Winter Holiday PJ Day
Friday, December 15, 2023	FPA Pizza Lunch and Grub Day (Festive attire) Final House Games of 2023!
December 18, 2023 – January 2, 2024	Winter Break