



# Kindergarten Weekly Update

Friday, December 1, 2023

<b>Language Arts</b> Ms. Vela	This week the Kindergarteners were introduced to the letter Q. They learned that Q and U are the best of friends and they always stick together. In small groups they focussed on building CVC words with “e” in the middle, and in whole group lessons continued to practise rhyming words.
<b>Math</b> Ms. Vela	This week the Kindergarteners learned about five 3D shapes: cones, cubes, rectangular prisms, spheres and cylinders.
<b>Science</b> Ms. Vela	This week the Kindergarteners completed their Weather Research Project by becoming meteorologists and sharing the weather forecast’s they’d made last week. We had a fun end of unit celebration and watched Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs.
<b>History/Geography</b> Ms. Vela	This week the Kindergarteners travelled to Greece and learned about the Olympic Games. They made Olympic torches and competed in a discus competition.
<b>Visual Arts</b> Ms. Vela	This week the Kindergarteners followed a directed drawing to draw a snowman. They practised drawing the shapes we learned about last week, and will be using pastels to finish their project next week.
<b>French</b> Mme Lechallier	The students are finishing updating the last little details of their songs in order to be able to perform for you on the day of the Winter Showcase.
<b>Health &amp; Physical Education</b> Mr. Makubuya	This week our Kindergarten class participated in some interactive team games as well as continuing competing in some Ball Hockey games!
<b>Music</b> Mr. Morales	The Kindergarten Class enjoyed a variety of holiday music this week including: Jingle Bells, Frosty The Snowman, and My Favourite Things. Students also continued working on their performance of Winter Waltz and rehearsed on stage as they prepared for the upcoming Winter Concert.

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Please ask your child:

1. What are some examples of 3D Shapes?
2. What colours are on the olympic flag?



# Grade One/Two Weekly Update

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<b>Language Arts</b> Mr. Murray	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, looked at the use of commas in lists, and began looking at the rules of singular vs plural.
<b>Math</b> Mr. Murray	Students began identifying and constructing 3D shapes and their properties, including attempting to make cones, cylinders, and pyramids with play-dough.
<b>Science</b> Mr. Murray	Students explored chemical changes by observing the effects of mixing vinegar and baking soda. Moverover, students attempted to filter dirty water by creating their own filters with tissues, paper towels, and coffee filters, then discussed which worked best.
<b>History/Geography</b> Mr. Murray	Students began their unit on Ancient Civilizations by looking at The Sumerians. Students discussed the Geography, Culture, and Government of this Mesopotamian civilization.
<b>Visual Arts</b> Mme Lechallier	This week, the Grades One and Two are continuing working on their Chinese Art to create a Panda.
<b>French</b> Mme Lechallier	This week the Grade One and Two wrote a test on the syllable . Great work everyone! The students are finishing updating the last little details of their songs in order to be able to perform for you on the day of the Winter Showcase.
<b>Health &amp; Physical Education</b> Mr. Makubuya	This week our Grade One and Two class participated in some interactive team games as well as continuing competing in some Ball Hockey games!
<b>Music</b>	Students spent the week reviewing the first exercises from the Essential Elements workbook. The class also continued

Mr. Morales	rehearsing their parts for the song Deck The Hall which they will perform at the Winter Concert.
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Please ask your child:

1. What is the meaning of 'nomadic'?
2. What's the difference between a chemical change and a physical change?



# Grade Three Weekly Update

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<b>Language Arts</b> 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!
<b>Maths</b> Ms. Sharma	This week Grade Three started learning about 2D shapes and they learnt about tessellation and were able to draw a tessellation of their own and they did a great job. They also started learning about symmetry and learnt the symmetry of different 2D shapes and even real objects to find out the line of symmetry of different shapes and had so much fun learning about it.
<b>Science</b> Ms. Sharma	This week Grade Three started learning about Volcanoes. They learnt how volcanoes erupt, and made a small volcano of their own using baking soda, vinegar and some food colour. They also learnt, using a world map, which parts of the world have volcanoes?. They had so much fun and were very excited to learn about Volcanoes.
<b>History/Geography</b> Ms. Carey	This week Grade Three discovered what life was really like for First Nations people when Europeans arrived in Canada. They learned why the Europeans first landed, the route they came and what they actually set out to explore before unexpectedly arriving in Canada. They really enjoyed learning so much about the First people of their land and what changed as a result of colonisation.
<b>Visual Arts</b> Mme Lechallier	This week, the Grades Three are continuing working on their Chinese Art to create a dragon.
<b>French</b>	This week the Grade Three wrote a test on the body parts and

Mme Lechallier	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.
<b>Health &amp; Physical Education</b> Mr. Makubuya	This week our Grade Three class participated in some interactive team games as well as continuing competing in some Ball Hockey games!
<b>Music</b> Mr. Morales	The Grade Threes and Fours spent the week reviewing the first twenty exercises from the Essential Elements workbook. The class also rehearsed Good King Wenceslas which they will perform at the Winter Concert.

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# Grade Four Weekly Update

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<b>Language Arts</b> Mrs. Haddad	This week the Grade Four students were challenged to write about different types of mountains. Students were encouraged to use the Geography Reader and their class notes to brainstorm ideas and construct a list of facts on which to base the structure of their writing. They were encouraged to use specialised vocabulary related to the topic. Get to work everyone!
<b>Maths</b> Ms. Sharma	This week Grade 4 started learning about Probability. They learnt about likelihood by comparing various real life examples. They even performed some experiments to see probability outcomes and then discussed their results.
<b>Science</b> Mrs. Haddad	This week learners investigated how to change the volume and pitch of sounds. They demonstrated on stringed instruments and wind instruments how to change the pitch of sound. They made predictions, saw if their predictions are correct, described a pattern in results, and made conclusions based on our scientific knowledge. They are working on presenting their results.
<b>History/Geography</b> Mrs. Haddad	This week the Grade Four explained how mountains act as barriers to human settlement and how people— driven by necessity and the entrepreneurial spirit — have found ways around these barriers. They confidently described the physical and social effects of living on mountains and communicated the results of their inquiry using appropriate and specific vocabulary related to the topic.
<b>Visual Arts</b> Mme Lechallier	This week, the Grades Three are continuing working on their Chinese Art to create a dragon.
<b>French</b> Mme Lechallier	This week the Grade Three wrote a test on the Body part and 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.

<b>Health &amp; Physical Education</b> Mr. Makubuya	This week our Grade Four class participated in some interactive team games as well as continuing competing in some Ball Hockey games!
<b>Music</b> Mr. Morales	The Grade Threes and Fours spent the week reviewing the first twenty exercises from the Essential Elements workbook. The class also rehearsed Good King Wenceslas which they will perform at the Winter Concert.

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Please ask your child:

3. What are ways people have used to travel across or through mountains?
4. What are the effects of higher elevations on people who are not accustomed to them?





## 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