



Kindergarten Weekly Update

Friday, November 1, 2024

Language Arts Ms. Petrie	This week, the Kindergarteners learned the letter B and G. The students participated in beginning sound word sorting activities. Since it was Halloween week, we did many Halloween themed activities. The students participated in Halloween rhyming activities and listened to Halloween read alouds. The students finished their October writing journals and began their November writing journals.
Math Ms. Petrie	In Math this week, the Kindergarteners were introduced to subtraction. The students practiced their subtraction skills to 10 through questions in their Cambridge Workbooks and worksheets. On Halloween, the Kindergarteners participated in a Halloween themed pattern activity.
Science Ms. Petrie	Our Science activities this week were all Halloween based! The students began their week by making Witches Slime. They also made Flying Bats! We ended the week by watching a Magic School bus video that revisited the last unit of learning about the Human Body!
History/Geography Ms. Petrie	In History this week, we continued to learn about maps, and how to read a compass. The students used their skills to make different maps, including making a map of their bedroom and a treasure map. Next week, the students will move onto a new unit!
Visual Arts Mme. Lechallier	This week the Kindergarten were introduced to create a Halloween project by using paper mache, the students are having a lot of fun realising their own creation
French Mme Lechallier	This week the Kindergarten was introduced to the body part and a few Halloween vocabulary. Along with that the students are continuing learning their song for the Winter showcase.

Health & Physical Education Mr. Makubuya	This week Our Kindergarten class worked through some Ball Hockey skills in class, stickhandling and shooting this week!
Music Mr. Morales	The Kindergarten Class had a great time working on a variety of musical activities this week which included singing, drumming, ear training and the development of a large repertoire which students are preparing for future performances.

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Please ask your child:

1. What rhymes with ghost? What rhymes with witch?
2. What is a word that begins with B? What is a word that begins with G?



Grade One Weekly Update

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Language Arts Ms. Petrie	This week in Language Arts, the Grade Ones learned about plural nouns. They practised these skills by completing activities in their Cambridge Notebooks. The students talked about the difference between fiction and non-fiction texts and discussed the types of books they like to read. The Grade Ones participated in Wordly Wise activities this week as well. On Wednesday, the students had their writing assessment. On Friday, the students had their sight word test of all 30 sight words taught thus far.
Math Ms. Petrie	This week, the Grade Ones practised their double digit subtraction skills. They did this through Cambridge Workbook practice questions, as well as completing worksheets. The students should continue practising their addition and subtraction skills over the weekend, as they will have their unit test on Monday.
Science Ms. Murphy	In Science class this week, the Grade Ones started their new unit: Getting materials right. They learned about the different materials that things are made from, and the difference between natural and man-made materials. They enjoyed doing a cut and stick activity where they sorted materials into natural and man-made, and doing a 'material hunt' around the school.
History/Geography Ms. Murphy	The Grade Ones and Twos finished up their Mesopotamia unit this week by learning about the Gods and Goddesses of Mesopotamia and a little about King Gilgamesh. We talked about the temples the Mesopotamian's built to worship their gods, including the beautiful gate in Babylon that was built to worship Ishtar, the goddess of love and war. We finished the week with an end-of-unit assessment before moving on to our next unit.

Global Perspectives Ms. Murphy	This week in Global Perspectives, the Grade Ones and Twos looked at the data they have collected so far. They have reflected on their learning from our guest speakers, and have identified other areas to research in the coming weeks. They have come up with a plan to collect this information.
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Health & Physical Education Mr. Makubuya	This week our Grade One and Two class continued to work on some Badminton skills, returning high and low serves as well as a little game play!
Music Mr. Morales	The Grade Ones and Twos made very good progress through their Essential Elements textbooks, doing a great job of performing the first eight exercises of the book with accurate notes and timing.

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1. What kinds of materials can you see around your home?
2. What are the two sounds the letters /oo/ make?



Grade Two Weekly Update

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<p>Language Arts Ms. Murphy</p>	<p>This week in Language Arts, the Grade Twos started a new unit all about celebrations! We talked about what the word ‘celebration’ means to them, and discussed some celebrations that we would be having soon. We began learning how to write lists by coming up with a list of items we would need for our class parties and using different methods of ordering the items. The Grade Twos also learned about verb forms in to-do lists.</p>
<p>Math Ms. Murphy</p>	<p>The Grade Twos have been learning about 3D shapes in Math class this week. They revised their previous learning of some 3D shapes, and were introduced to different types of prisms. We worked on counting faces, edges and vertices in 3D shapes and sorting the shapes according to different properties. The Grade Twos enjoyed this hands-on approach to learning!</p>
<p>Science Mrs. Haddad</p>	<p>In Grade Two Science, we are exploring the exciting world of materials and their states as solids, liquids, or gases! This week, students learned how to identify each state by sorting everyday items in the classroom. Through hands-on activities, they examined how each state behaves differently – like how solids keep their shape, liquids flow, and gases fill any space they’re in. This fun activity helped them understand the unique properties of materials all around them!</p>
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2. What is a prism?



Grade Three Weekly Update

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<p>Language Arts Mrs. Haddad</p>	<p>In Grade three, students have been diving into verb tenses—learning how to identify past, present, and future actions! They practised turning verbs into the past tense by adding “-ed,” changing endings to “-ied,” or noticing when some verbs stay the same. Alongside grammar, we also explored paragraph writing, focusing on creating strong topic sentences, detailed supporting sentences, and effective concluding sentences. Through this, students are building both grammar and writing skills, crafting clear and organised paragraphs!</p>
<p>Math Ms. Murphy</p>	<p>In Math class this week, the Grade Threes have been working on addition and subtraction of whole numbers. We started off by using addition boxes to create our own 2-digit numbers to add, and challenged ourselves to make our addition boxes equal 100. We have been learning about the different ways we can say ‘add’ and ‘subtract’ by completing addition and subtraction word problems.</p>
<p>Science Mrs. Haddad</p>	<p>In Grade 3, we’ve been learning about medicines—how they work, the different ways to take them, and the importance of safety when using them. We also discussed the role of vaccinations in keeping us healthy. To wrap up our learning, we reviewed for the Unit 1 test by checking progress and completing review sheets. This helped students reinforce their understanding of the unit, medicine safety and health practices, ensuring they feel confident and prepared!</p>
<p>History/Geography Mrs. Haddad</p>	<p>In Grade Three Geography, we explored physical maps and their purpose in showing natural features like mountains, rivers, and elevations. Students learned to read maps with different elevations and even examined maps from a bird’s-eye view for a unique perspective! To prepare for the Unit 1 test, we reviewed all key concepts by completing the review sheet,</p>

	helping everyone feel confident in their map-reading skills.
Global Perspectives Mrs. Haddad	In Global Perspectives, Grade 3 students discussed the different ways they travel to school and reflected on how they feel when most people use cars. Through this conversation, they explored the impact of transportation choices on the environment and our community. This activity encouraged them to think about sustainable travel and to share ideas on how we can make choices that are better for everyone.
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2. How do vaccinations help protect us from illness, and what are some safety measures we should keep in mind when using any type of medicine?



Grade Four Weekly Update

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Language Arts Mrs. Haddad	In Grade Four Reading, students are diving into <i>Gulliver's Travels</i> , exploring the narrative style, the unique characters, and the satirical tone that makes this classic so engaging. Through our discussions, students are learning how satire can convey deeper messages, while also identifying elements of storytelling that bring adventures to life. This exploration is enriching their understanding of literature and narrative techniques!
Math Ms. Murphy	In Math class this week, the Grade Fours have been working on addition and subtraction of numbers with the same number of decimal places. They are becoming familiar with regrouping and ensuring that the decimal point is written in the right place in their answers.
Science Mrs. Haddad	In Grade Four Science, students have been learning all about sound and vibrations—how sound travels through different materials and reaches our ears. We conducted a fun experiment using a jar covered with plastic, pins, and a pencil to visualise sound waves. When we tapped the jar, vibrations made the pins move, showing how sound travels through vibrations. This hands-on activity helped students understand how sound works in a memorable way!
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1. Why do physical maps show different colours and shades, and how do these help us understand elevations?
2. How can a bird's-eye view help us see natural features on a physical map differently than other maps?



IMPORTANT DATES

Sunday, November 3	Clocks go back one hour
Monday, November 4	FPA Event: <i>Hands on Exotics</i> – Petting Zoo at Fieldstone!
Thursday, November 7	Remembrance Day Assembly – Number One Uniform
Friday, November 8	PD Day – No classes
Monday, November 11	PD Day – No classes