

## JUNE NEWS FROM ROOM 201...THE LAST NEWSLETTER!

These last couple of months sure have flown by! I have to say I am not looking forward to saying goodbye to the 27 friendly faces that greet me each morning. I just love this class!



### SOME PROGRAM NOTES...

**MATH:** We are into algebra and geometry right now. We are applying algebraic expressions to tables of values and then plotting ordered pairs on the four quadrants. Next, we will be plotting ordered pairs and applying translations (slides), reflections (flips), rotations (turns) and dilatations.

**LANGUAGE:** The students are wrapping up a poetry unit. I have been quite impressed by their insights as we have read and analyzed poetry, as well as their creative, humorous and heartfelt written works.

**SCIENCE:** We will be wrapping up our unit on Fluids in the next couple of weeks.

**GEOGRAPHY:** As Grade 8 Geography is a study of interactions between humans and their environment, we are finishing our year with an inquiry related to current issues facing our planet, as well as possible solutions. Students have individually chosen to explore human exploitation in the chocolate industry, human exploitation and the environmental impact of the cotton industry, how to feed our exploding global population, the dying coral reefs, our plastic oceans, and how to live sustainably. Students have time in class to view a wide variety of recommended You Tube videoclips and read online sources in order to become experts on the topic of their choice. They received a highly-detailed project outline. Along with a text submission, there is also an artistic submission (poster, song, or poem). This project is due on June 7<sup>th</sup>. Time will be given in class, but there is no time to waste! ☺

**PHYS. ED.:** Our class made up a multi-sport tournament that we will enjoy now that track and field has wrapped up. Our Supermeet competitors will still be practising in anticipation of the big event. All of the students in our class will be outside on the day of Supermeet, either helping at events or at the food booth. It is great to have so many cooperative, hardworking kids to call on for a day that needs all hands on deck.

**ART:** We are finishing up our Zentangles projects. Next, we will move on to a fun cartooning unit.

**SUMMER SCHOOL:** There will be a presentation shortly on the topic of summer school. Summer school used to be designed for students to make up for missed work. Now, summer school offers students the opportunity to earn “reach ahead” credits! There are on-site and online options. Watch for information to come home shortly.

### Important dates to remember...

Wednesday, June 6 – Supermeet

Thursday, June 7 – Geography projects due

Friday, June 8 – P.D. Day for teachers to prepare report cards

Monday, June 18-Wednesday, June 20 – Camp Wanakita

Friday, June 20 – Graduation rehearsal (in the morning);

Graduation fees are due

Monday, June 25 – Graduation

