

Important Dates:

Oct. 2 PD Day
 Oct. 3 Int. soccer
 Oct. 4 Jr. Soccer
 Oct. 5 assembly (wear house colour)
 Oct. 5 Rain date for soccer; awards assembly
 Oct. 5 science quiz
 Oct. 8 Thanksgiving
 Oct. 9 FFF due
 Oct. 10 Orienteering
 Oct. 12 Clothing order due
 Oct. 17 Cross-country
 Oct. 31 Costume parade and activities

REMEMBER

Bring a full water bottle daily and gym clothes (white t-shirt and black shorts and indoor running shoes). Deoderant is also needed!

If you have not sent in paper towels or Kleenex, please do so.

Dear parents and students:

You are doing a great job with the agendas, so keep it up! It is the primary tool for home and class communication, and building student responsibility!

As a class, we are still working on following class routines, remembering to work quietly, and remembering to wait our turn (being one of twenty-seven is hard for them)! Having said this, I am really enjoying their enthusiasm and their desire to learn new things.

The students put forth an excellent effort with their Fair Art; Leah won third place for her border!

A brief curriculum outline:

Language I haven't quite got to listening to each student read out loud, but I will! From there I will create reading groups that will focus on reading fluency and comprehension. The class is really enjoying our novel study of Holes by L. Sachar. The research reports are almost done, and these will be shared with the class. We will be focusing on writing a friendly letter, a journal entry, and using the "4 Pen" model for answering questions.

Math As a class, the students did quite well with the patterning and algebra unit, even the multiple choice questions! We have started our number sense and numeration unit. The students will be reading large numbers, writing them in expanded and word forms, comparing and ordering

them, and solving problems that require adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing. Keep working on those basic math facts (adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing) at home! Remember to sign and return those weekly times table quizzes, once your child has fixed/completed them!

Science/Social Studies After Thanksgiving we will begin the first Social Studies units. The 5's and 6's will be looking at First Nations and Europeans in New France, focusing on early communities.

Health and Phys. Ed. In phys. ed., we will be working with scoops and lacrosse sticks. In Health, we will continue looking at healthy eating, and what that means for our bodies.

Visual Arts and Drama The students will be selecting and memorizing a poem, and selecting and reading a children's story to the class to develop their skills in expression and timing. The students will have music and dance with Madame Scott!

It was wonderful to see so many of you at Meet the Teacher. Thank you for sharing that your children were happy to be in my class; it means a lot!

Mrs. Orr