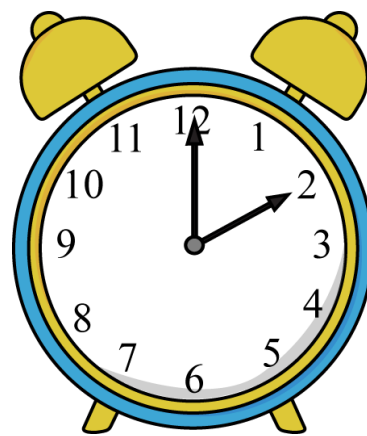




Dear Families,

Our trip to Apps' Mill was awesome! We really lucked out on the weather. Our teacher Laurel was fantastic and so engaging! We were able to spend the majority of the morning outside. We even tapped a tree and labelled it to find later. If you are wandering around the forest in the next week or so – look for the buckets - it's a tree closer to the water than the others. Our class name and school name is on the ribbon! Our parent volunteers were so keen and helpful. We couldn't have gone without them! ☺ And yes – the waffles and syrup were delicious!

Our Time Unit is going well. We are very good at telling time to the hour! We're about to try time to the half hour. It's a little trickier – but I'm expecting good things! Things you can do at home: Say the Days of the Week, Order the Months of the Year, ask your child to read digital clocks to you! We'll even start doing some problem solving with time. If Mrs. Metcalfe gets Allie to hockey at 1:00 and gets her off the ice at 4:00, how many hours did Allie play hockey for? My goal is to move into Money after we are done time.



Science is awesome right now! We have been learning about Energy. We are very good at identifying energy sources. We will learn more about Energy Chains and the environmental impact of different energy sources as well. Please let me know if your family participates in the upcoming Earth Hour this weekend! We'll be talking about it at school! We will also make our own Earth Hour happen on Monday, April 1st here at school. We can't wait!



We recently made a comic strip about Spring. The students had to show a beginning, middle and end in their comic. This always helps us before we start our big story-writing unit. Sometimes it's easier to draw a story before you write it. We did great with our comics! We're going to learn about Letter Writing Styles and then work our way into Story Writing by the end of the month! What can you do at home? Practice word families and rhymes. They help with spelling soooooo much. Try it on a Springtime walk..... For example: I know how to spell cake. Do you know how to spell make? Jake? Rake? Take? Then try another.....Do you know how to spell at? If you know how to spell at, you can spell cat, that, mat, etc.



We'll be making some pretty fantastic Easter Art in April as well. We hope to try some different printmaking techniques.

Our calendar will be set to go in our Agendas on April 1st.

Here is a preview:

- P.A. Day – April 12th
- Food Drive – April 1-5th
- ‘Inside Out’ for Autism – April 5th
- Easter Colour House – April 18th (Learn the Bunny Hop!)
- Brantford Classic Run!!! – April 28th
- and soooooooooo many birthdays!



Thanks for taking the time to read our news! Remember to check out our Twitter Feed @MrsKMetcalfe to see some amazing examples of our classroom assignments!

Mrs. Metcalfe☺