

### Grade 6/7 News

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Dear Families,

November has arrived and with it, a very busy month for our class! I am looking forward to meeting and chatting with as many families as possible during our interview days on the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>. If you are unable to attend at these times, please let me know and I am happy to set up an alternate before or after school time between 8am-6pm that is agreeable to your schedule.

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#### Language

We will be focusing on voice, perspective, and point of view in our reading materials. In writing, we will be finessing our skills at paragraph writing in large pieces of work, echoing the reading with point of view development. Encourage your son or daughter to read every night at home – either by themselves, with you, or a sibling. Reading endurance will help them not only now, but in years to come at the high school and post secondary level!

#### Math

Measurement will be a focus for November. Differentiation between grade 6 and 7 will again be with the scope of their learning – we will all learn and review the same concepts, but the depth of our knowledge and expectations will be greater for the 7s. Encourage your child to continue their multiplication fact families!

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#### Upcoming Events

##### November 3

Random Act of Kindness Day  
United Way "Hat Day" for \$2  
BCI – pm (gr 7s only)

##### November 8

Sanderson Centre – pm

##### November 9

Vaccinations – gr 7s only

##### November 10

Remembrance Day assembly

##### November 11

Remembrance Day

##### November 15-17

Book Fair in library

##### November 15

Progress Reports go home

##### November 16

Evening Parent/Teacher interviews

##### November 17

PA Day for Parent/Teacher interviews

##### November 22

Apps Mill – all day

##### November 24

"Wonder" movie - pm

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## Science and Social Studies / Geography

Science is coming to a close with our hands on creation and construction of a project relative to our units (gr6s with flight and gr7s with structures). Transitioning to social studies, "Canada's Interactions with the Global Community" (gr6) and geography, "Natural Resources Around the World" (gr7) we will be looking at our role at a community level, a provincial level, and a national level with how we interact with one another in our global world.

### The Arts

We will be placing an emphasis on our dramatic arts this month as we prepare to lead the Remembrance Day assembly for our school. Students will be encouraged to use various movements, expressions, and pantomimes for the iconic, "In Flanders Fields". Additionally, we will be visiting the Sanderson Centre to see the play, "Fatty Legs" and see how professional actors can convey meaningful messages through visual and dramatic elements.

### Phys. Ed.

We are going to be practicing our skills and drills with a class favourite... Basketball! Our gym days are on cycle days 3 and 4 – please encourage your son or daughter to keep an extra change of gym clothes at school in a separate bag, especially now that we are bidding a final farewell to shorts and t-shirts weather!

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As Progress Reports are fast approaching, know that I am looking forward to meeting with you to discuss the academic and/or learning skills goals for your child at the Parent/Teacher interview days. If these dates are not suitable for you, please let me know and I will be happy to arrange an alternate day and time for us to meet. It is your personal choice if you wish to have your son or daughter attend the meeting with us.

Thank you for your ongoing support with our classroom!

Sincerely,

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## Lest We Forget.

### Reminders

With so many trips and events that this month is full of, please remind your son or daughter to get permission forms signed by you and handed in as quickly as possible. This enables us to get all the required paperwork into our service providers and when applicable, get finances in order before the last minute.

We absolutely welcome – and sincerely appreciate! – parent volunteers. If you do not currently have a valid police check on file with the school, please let me know if you'd like the form to get one. The background check that is part of this process is a complimentary service that our Brantford Police force provides school volunteers.

