December 2017 Newsletter

Grade 6/7 News

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Suddenly we have arrived at the last month of our calendar year! The month ahead will be a busy one – please continue to check your child's agenda each night for due dates, materials required for projects, spirit days, and even when Santa will be visiting us!

Language

Just like Rudolph, we're going down in history, but rather than guiding a sleigh, we're writing and illustrating our own seasonal short stories to share with our kindergarten buddies. This is a link to our curriculum through planning an idea, using rising action to reach a climax, and create a clear resolution as the ending. The editing process by self and peers is also included in the process to help understand clear meaning and message. We have lots of fantastic ideas that are taking shape!

Math

Measurement will be finishing up after our focus on surface area and volume with a transition into Data Management and Probability. Again, having solid knowledge of basic number sense (mental math, multiplication tables) will assist in deeper understanding of the concepts at hand.



Upcoming Events

December 4

Cereal Drive and Toy Drive

December 7

Cookies with Santa

December 20

Christmas Concert

Once again this year, our school will be celebrating the "Twelve Days of Christmas" by having a variety of consecutive spirit days! Our kick-off for this tradition begins with our visit from Santa and will continue until the last day of school. More information about each day will be coming home shortly!



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Science and Social Studies / Geography

Our grade 6s will continue their social studies, "Canada's Interactions with the Global Community" as a focus and the grade 7s will continue examining "Natural Resources Around the World" for geography. Encourage your son / daughter to look at all levels of interaction (local, national, international) that we have as Canadians within the "big picture" of our world, and how we rely on others, just as others rely on us.



The Arts

Practice makes perfect! We will be putting lots of energy into our own spin on the classic, "Twelve Days of Christmas" for our contribution to our school Christmas concert. We're all very excited to perform our version for the audiences at the December 20th showings (afternoon and evening performances). Here's a hint... it's going to be great, eh?

Phys. Ed.

Bump, set, spike... volley! We are having lots of fun with honing our skills at the game of volleyball. Many students in our class are also participating on the junior and intermediate school volleyball teams – we wish them the best as they represent our Jay Hawk pride.

It was wonderful to meet so many families at the Parent/Teacher interviews this past month. Having common goals for our students that are shared by both home and school make for a successful learning journey! Please feel free to have on-going communication with me if there are any issues that you feel should be discussed.

From my family to yours, may the spirit of the Christmas season fill your heart and home.

Sincerely,

Lest We Forget.

Reminders

There will be lots of additional information coming home with your child in the days and weeks to come as we continue to work diligently at our learning development, AND celebrate the joy of the season. Please remind your son or daughter to keep you updated by providing you with the newsletters as they given to them.

For the love of lunch...

Even the best lunch-packers (*cough*, myself included) forget to include spoons and forks sometimes... if you are able to send an extra box / bag of these utensils in, our class would be most appreciative!

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