

January News in Grade 2/3

TERM ONE REPORTS ARE COMING SOON!!!

Language: The focus this month will be reading comprehension strategies. Specifically, children will continue to work on making connections to the books they read and responding in writing. Kids should know what these terms mean:

Text to Text Connection

Text to Self Connection

Text to World Connection

We will be using graphic organizers to examine parts of the books we read and writing re-tells and other important comprehension skills.

Math: Grade 2 kids will explore the basic concepts of

multiplication (e.g. five groups of two is ten). Grade 3 kids will delve deep and begin to practise multiplication tables. Please, please, please start to work on these at home together. Look online for videos and free games, flash cards etc. We will also begin our money unit. This is such an important unit for real life that you can practise on a daily basis with your child. Let them count the change in the line at Tim Hortons. Count money saved in a piggy bank. Play board games that involve money. Also if you google Canadian money games for kids you can find free online activities that will help to support

these skills. As a parent, I also use the English Smart

and Math Smart workbooks that I got at Costco for my own son. I find they are based on grade appropriate curriculum and provide him with a little extra support at home. I had to create incentives of course....lol. Otherwise it's a battle!

Science: Grade 3 are still working with Mrs. Pelich on their unit about plants.
Grade 2 will continue to finish up our unit on animals.

Art: We will be studying the elements of design to communicate ideas (e.g. lines, space- overlapping of objects to show depth etc).