

**Feb. 5-9**Candy Grams on sale (*more info soon*)**Feb. 9**Canadian Spirit Day to kick off Olympics!  
(*wear Canada gear/colours*)**Feb. 13**Pancake Tuesday \*thank you parent  
volunteers!\***Feb. 14- Valentine's Day**Wear Red/Pink/White  
Skating 9-11 a.m (*need hockey helmet +  
gloves*).  
Class Party (*middle block*).  
Candy Grams will be delivered.**Feb. 15**

Term 1 Report Cards Go Home

**Feb. 16**

Dress Like your Favourite Winter Sport Day

**Feb. 19****Family Day! No School.****Feb. 20**

Scholastic Book Orders due

**Feb. 23**Winter Olympics Play Day (*more details to  
come*)**Feb. 28**

Pink Shirt Day

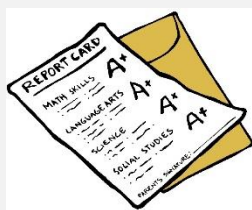
## Notes &amp; Reminders:

- Permission forms going home this month for a technology workshop being offered to our grade 5's from the Brantford Public Library. Volunteers needed (new A.O.D.A. training to be completed)
- **Cold & Flu season is here! Runny noses are everywhere! Kleenex donations are very welcomed/appreciated in our classroom.**

# Grade 5 Newsletter

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## Language & The Arts

In Language, we've begun our unit on point of view. This will include being able to identify the point of view in a text, what the point of view is, and whose point of view is missing to suggest possible alternative perspectives. In writing, we are beginning the unit on learning how to write a persuasive essay using persuasive words, reasonable arguments and evidence to support those arguments. We will be making Persuasive Writing Portfolios to help guide our writing. Look towards the end of the month for a Point of View Talk to be prepared at home, to present in front of the class, as part of our oral component. In Dance, "Car Wash" music videos will be presented sometime this month!

## Math, Social Studies & Physical Education

In Math, we have been working on a Geometry unit where we are learning different transformations (translations, rotations and reflections). Soon, we will be moving on to a Number Sense unit, which will cover fractions and decimals. This is always a difficult unit for many students. At home reinforcement to understand fractions and decimals will benefit students greatly. In P.E., we are still working through our "21" Tournament. Students are demonstrating some exceptional shooting skills. It is our hope to start a new game and add fitness into our gym schedule by the end of the month. In Social Studies, we are beginning a unit on First Nations & Europeans in New France & Early Canada. Hopping orange duotangs are back here at school from early Term 1.



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**I have read and received the February newsletter with my child.**

**Child's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_