



Grade 6 News

May 2024

Classroom News

I can hardly believe that it is May already! The majority of the year has passed, and we are heading into the home stretch in Grade 6.

As you have heard, the PATs for Language Arts and Math have been suspended this year in Grade 6. Students **will** still have a PAT in Social Studies and Science. Alternatively, students will complete PAT-style final exams for Language Arts and Math, in June. These exams will be great practice for exam week in Junior High, and they will count for the 10% of students' final grade (as PATs were meant to, according to our assessment plan shared at the start of the year). More information on dates and times will be shared later, but these will take place in the final week of school this June.

It will be a busy couple of months! Please watch for the weekly emails to stay up-to-date.

Important dates

Mondays (all month) -
Swimming Lessons (9:00am)

Friday, May 17th -
PD Day (no school)

Monday, May 20th -
Victoria Day (no school)

Tuesday, May 21st -
CCS Track Meet (all day)

Thursday, May 23rd -
Grade 9 Mini Mall

Friday, May 24th -
Field trip with Grade 2 buddies (to the LRC)

Friday, May 31st -
Grandparents Day

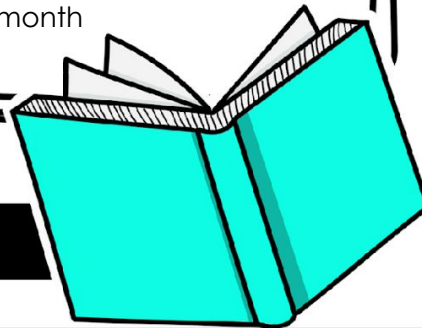
Reminders

- * Library is on Mondays
- * French is on Wednesday & Thursday
- * Music is on Wednesday & Thursday
- * Celebration is on Thursdays this month

Language Arts

This month, we will be continuing with our narrative writing, working to develop and fine-tune more elaborate and mature pieces of writing.

We will also be starting a new novel study of, "The Breadwinner," by Deborah Ellis. This is a fantastic novel, set in Afghanistan in 2001; I know that we will have very deep, thought-provoking discussions as students explore this story as Justice-Seekers.





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Mrs. Clark's MATH Corner



In Math 6, we have wrapped up the Algebra unit and we are advancing to the topic of Fractions. We will be learning lots of new vocabulary like imperfect and mixed fractions. We will also be making connections between Fractions and the topics of ratios, decimals, and percent.

As has often been the case this year, we will be learning the grade 5 new curriculum first before we can address the grade 6 new curriculum content.

We will look at biblical understanding of the concept of parts and whole. We will also tell a few bad fraction jokes this month:

"I had a big argument with my friend about fractions...our opinions were divided."



Social Studies

Our study of Athens is going well, and students have gained a lot of knowledge in regards to the social structure of this ancient society. This month, we will learn about their form of democracy and compare it to our modern form. Following this, we will be moving on to examine the Iroquois Confederacy, comparing and contrasting it to both Ancient Athens and our modern governmental systems.

Science

We have begun our exploration of Flight in Science. Students will be building, testing and adapting different flying contraptions. I know that students will really enjoy these activities! I am also working on arranging a small field trip to the airport to see some airplanes up close and personal.

By the end of the month, we will be moving on to explore Evidence and Investigation. This is a fun unit focusing on basic forensics.

Bible

We have just begun our final unit exploring some of Jesus' parables. The final Unit Project will be a service project, inviting students to help someone in need. Please watch for details on this later this month!

