March 2021

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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		Kindergarten		Kindergarten B.P.'s Lunch	Kindergarten	
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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

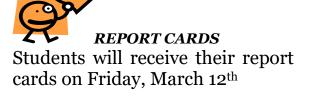
It appears that the cold temperatures that we had been seeing for a stretch in February have subsided. I hope that doesn't mean that if March comes in like a lamb, then it'll go out like a lion! Regardless, we are all thankful for the moderate temperatures that have been coming our way! With the way that the weather changes as we head into the spring months, it will be important to ensure that students are still dressed warmly with jackets, toques, and mitts.

This month is the conclusion of our second term here at CLPS. That means that report cards will be going out on Friday, March 12th, with Parent-Teacher Interviews following on Thursday, March 18th, from 3:00pm to 8:00pm. These Parent-Teacher Interviews, just like our October ones, will be done by phone. Very shortly, an online signup will be released (emailed) for parents to select a time that will be convenient for them to have their child(ren)'s teacher call them to discuss achievement and progress.

Please also know that if anyone would like to speak to me about a question or concern, I am always more than happy to talk. I can be reached at the school at (306) 982-2131 or by email: dletkeman@srsd119.ca.

Sincerely,

Mr. D. Letkeman - Principal





CLASSROOM NEWS

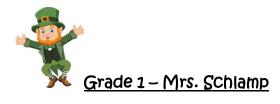


Happy March,

<u> Kindergarten – Mrs. Cook</u>

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Happy March!
I cannot believe how quick the time is going. We might be a small class but we are a mighty class. We have been busy learning many firsts. We have started writing sentences. It is important when children start writing to let them explore with their writing. We do this by encouraging phonemic spelling. This is where the students write what they hear. Another thing we do is write for each word they are going to write. Example I went on the swingI went on the swing You can also have children label the items in their pictures. Even just the beginning sounds.
In Math we are focusing on 3D shapes. They are learning on to build and describe these shapes. It is important for students to be comfortable in explain what and why something is the way it is. So we are exsposing them to as many vocabulary words to help them with this.
Kindergarten is a play based learning program. This is a type of education based on child-led and open-ended play. Play-based learning helps children develop social skills, motivation to learn, and even language and numeracy skills. Taking initiative, focused attention, and curiosity about the world are all part of play
Our big debate right now is what our next theme should be. (This is where we choose what our pretend play should be and sprinkle in our block, art, discovery and library areas.)
Each students gave me their opinion:
Brianna: Vet
Beckham: Play Theater
Bennett: House
Laker: Theater
Jemma: Theatre
Heaven: Vet
Emmet: Vet
What is it going to be???????? Wait and see

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We are so excited to be outside for recess again! The indoor time was challenging, but thankful that warmer weather and longer days are in the forecast.

Our classroom is very excited for the new Exploration Project that we are doing on Monday and Wednesday afternoons. We are brainstorming student interests and ideas and then bringing the ideas to life. Right now we have a community happening. Students are excited to make a bank, grocery store, mine, jewelry store, hospital and other parts of the village community. Thank you for sending in "things" to help bring our explore projects to life.

Thanks for continuing with Green Bags and spelling words. I look forward to our phone meetings that will happen on Thursday, March 18th. I will be in contact with a schedule.

Enjoy the Ides of March!

Mrs. Schlamp



Grade 2/3 - Miss Fleury

And just like that... we are into March! We are diving into new units in Science, Social Studies, and Health. We are continuing our guided reading 3 times a week and growing in our reading and writing. Looking forward to Spring!



Grade 2 Math - Ms. Harkness

Hello from grade 2 math!

We have been busy learning, measuring and weighing things! We started our shape and space unit after February break and will be wrapping it up second week of March. The students have had lots of opportunity to measure and weigh items around the school using both standard and non-standard units of measure. If you are wanting to support their learning at home, a fun activity is to measure items around your home using non-standard units of measure such as pieces of pasta, blocks, shoes or even their bodies! They love to estimate first and then measure to see how close they were! Don't forget to sign up for our parent teacher interviews on March 18! I look forward to seeing you then!



Grade 3/4 - Mrs. Wagner

After the cold start to February we are looking forward to the sunny start to March and the potential for some melting! February went by quickly with the students doing a great job on their public speaking and superhero writing. They also created percussion instruments and are working on rhythm patterns using the proper notation to make some amazing music on their instruments. They also started learning about sound in science and this will help them understand all the sounds made by their percussion instruments. I am looking forward to sharing the learning progress of your child with you on March 18th during Parent/Teacher Interviews.



Grade 4/5 - Miss Paterson

Welcome to the month of leprechauns, four-leaf clovers, and pots of gold at the end of rainbows!! The students had a wonderful opportunity at the end of February to participate in our annual public speaking event. All students were asked to pick some type of text at their level to showcase in a public speaking event. As speaking is one of the six ELA strands it is important for students to speak to present and express a range of ideas and information in formal and informal speaking situations (including giving oral explanations, delivering brief reports or speeches, demonstrating and describing procedures) for differing audiences and purposes. Many of the students chose to recite an original text they had written themselves. There were two phases to this event. On Friday, February 26 we invited a panel of judges into our classroom to listen to the presentations from our classroom. The top three students from each grade in our classroom will receive a certificate on Tuesday, March 2. Phase two will then see the top three students from each grade representing the Grade 4/5 classroom in a school wide virtual assembly on Friday, March 5.

Along with showcasing their public speaking skills, the students have also immersed themselves into new units in Science and Social Studies. Our latest Science unit titled, *Properties and Changes of Matter* is allowing the students many opportunities to be a part of experiments that demonstrate Changes in matter, as well as Changes in states of matter. We have already been able to witness evaporation and condensation, and discuss other fancy terms, such as: malleability, solubility, and sublimation.

Environmental sustainability is the hot topic in Social Studies class. This unit focuses on how the choices and actions we take today will affect the environment and society in the future. By reading and viewing maps, tables, charts, and various informational texts we will be studying how resources are important to Canada, in particular water. We will also examine our dependence on natural resources, and how and why we must practice sustainable management of resources. One of our final topics is to research non-sustainable practices to better educate ourselves for the preservation of our environment for future generations.

After returning from February Break, we completed a writing project titled, *The Meaning of Home.* After studying three types of free verse poetry the students were tasked with writing a 50-300 word poem about their home. Please enjoy reading a snippet of each student's poem that showcases their feelings behind some part of their home:

Brynae - Walking into my bedroom the smell of Snowflakes and Cashmere perfume floats in the air

Caden - When you stand on your two feet you are bigger than me.

Chelsa - We both hold many things and keep them safe forever

Claire - My sister and I groaning when we die on the Nintendo Switch.

Colby - Happiness when my friends come over to play.

Colter - You keep the smell of delicate handmade bagels fresh in my nose.

Hunter - My very own bedroom because it gives me privacy.

Matthew - When my mom gives me a million chores.

Max - On summer days when flies buzz around my head after they get in from open doors

Olivia S. - Even though you can't speak, every time I walk in your door I can hear you saying, "Welcome back, I missed you"

Ryker - We have so many memoires, ideas, laugh's within you.

Zaidah - I love you, but you drive me crazy

Emmett – When you are trying to play in your bedroom, I am in your way

Embry - My house is full of happiness

Cohen - Bread that Came straight out of the oven

Lord - My brother loves to eat bacon

Meadow - My dad when he makes banana bread

Olivia B. - Pictures of you are full of memories

Jordan - Friday night steak night

Important dates to watch for in March include: a Boston Pizza lunch on Thurs., Mar. 4; the top three speakers in each grade will be speaking in a school-wide virtual public speaking assembly on Fri., Mar. 5. On Fri., Mar. 5, the Saskatchewan Rivers School Division will be marking Mar. 5 as Ribbon Skirt Day. Report Cards will go home on Fri., Mar. 12. There is no school on Mon., Mar. 15 due to a PLC. Remote parent-teacher interviews will be held on Thurs., Mar. 18.

In Closing I will leave you with an Irish proverb in the spirit of the season, A good laugh and a long sleep are the two best cures for anything.

May the luck of the Irish be with you. ©



Grade 6 - Mrs. Kerley

Hello everyone! Hopefully we are onto warmer weather from here on! In grade 6 we are starting a new unit in Math- Fractions, Ratios and Percents and have begun a new unit in Health as well - Personal and Mental Safety/Stress Management. In Science we are at the end of our Space unit and will be beginning our new unit in Electricity soon and in Social we are learning about our Pacific Ocean neighbours in the Arabian Peninsula and are talking about culture, migration and supporting one another. Let me know if you have any questions!



Grade 7 - Mr. Kaufhold & Mrs. Bates

Hello from Grade 7!

We hope you had a wonderful February break and were able to enjoy some of the local festivities. As we near the end of Term 2, students are continuing to work through various learning units, as well as completing and catching-up on any unfinished work. This is a great time to check with your child in regards to school supplies (pencils, markers, scissor, calculators, etc.) in order to make sure they are prepared for all learning activities. We will continue to provide updates on your child's learning through Seesaw and please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions. All of your support is greatly appreciated!!



Grade 8 - Mrs. Liedtke

Hello Everyone!

The Grade 8's have been doing a lot lately. In math we are learning about volume and different formulas like V= Axh. In ELA, we are just starting a BOOK TALK. We have all chosen a novel from SORA. A great site, check it out! Our focus for the next little bit is the environment. We are starting a digital WANTED poster on invasive species. We are preparing a Black light performance on April 1st. Stay tuned for more details. In science we are working on our projects for the science fair.

Stay safe and enjoy the month of March!

~Ana and Madison



Band - Mrs. Lohneis

Looking back to 1 year ago, March brought the music students of CLPS great excitement followed by great disappointment, as we had prepared our bands and choir for the PA Music Festival that was set to take place in mid-March. As it turned out, the Festival was cancelled due to Covid-19 and then school closures and remote learning followed immediately afterwards. However, as I look back on the past year I am reminded that we have overcome so many challenges in the face of adversity, one of which being the restrictions regarding the use of wind instruments this year. As a result, we are growing a great group of ukulele players in the band program from Grades 5-8. Stay tuned for a project from some of our CLPS band students, along with their fellow band mates from Spruce Home and Red Wing, who have been recording "Let It Be" by the Beatles. Mrs. Lohneis will share the video once all of the editing is done!

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