

Grade One Classroom Newsletter

June 7 - 11, 2021



Unit of Inquiry

Transdisciplinary Theme: How the World Works

Central Idea: Living things are interdependent in their environment

Lines of Inquiry:

- The interaction between plants, animals and people
- Needs of living things
- Variables affecting quality of plant life

Key Concepts: Change, Connection, Function

Learner Profile: Caring, Balanced, Inquirer

Approaches to Learning: Research and Thinking

Classroom News

We had a great week, doing more plant experiments, reading Dr. Seuss books, playing outside, and we had lunch outside on Wednesday. During Library time, the children drew a quilt square for their own small quilt. This activity was initiated by one of our children in the fall, who asked if they could make their own quilts. Mrs. Smallwood is a master of sewing, so we asked for her help. Before the end of the school year, the children will be bringing home their own little quilt for their stuffies. The quilting squares are looking amazing so far! A huge **thank you** to Mrs. Smallwood for all of her talent and time with this project.

We will be doing some reading assessments for one more week during our usually reading time. As a result, the children may not be bringing home new "home reading" books again this week. Keep on reading books you have at home! All library books are due back to the school by June 18. All "home reading" books are due back by Monday, June 21.

In Math, we will be doing some assessment of doubles addition and subtraction from 20. Also, we will continue comparing groups of objects, arranging the number of objects from least and greatest, and greatest to least. We will also continue addition and subtraction to 20.



Numeracy Ideas – Rolling Math Facts: First player rolls 2 dice and adds them together to find the sum. The second player takes a turn. The player with the higher sum wins a point. Play until one player reaches 10 points.

Literacy Ideas: Practicing rhyming words is fun and can be silly, Billy, hilly, Lily, Milly, tilly, villy. ☺

Parents – check out Grade One Google Classroom for pictures of activities from last week.

At MCS, our Learner Profile Attitude for June is Reflection:

Thinking about our strengths and weaknesses in order to grow and improve.

This Week in Grade One

Monday – Useful Plants

Tuesday – Plants can be homes

Wednesday – Library

Thursday – Plant and animals depend on each other.

Friday – beginning summative project for this unit.

Upcoming Events:

June 18 – all library books due back at school

June 21 – First day of Summer

June 25 – Last day of school

Student of the Week

When your child is star, please email me a picture of him/her and 5 - 10 pictures about him/her. The following things are ideas that you could email me: My Family, My Pets, Where I Was Born, My Favourite Colour, My Favourite Book, My Favourite Thing to Do, My Favourite Food, My Favourite Toy. These items will be put up on the smart board for your child to talk about. We will have star of the week time in the mornings. The children love to tell stories about their lives.

June 7 - Kayden

June 14 - Kasia

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