

# Kindergarten

November 6, 2020

## Classroom News

It's November! We are sure moving through the school year now. At the end of this month I will be writing Learner Profiles (report cards) for the Kinders which will be sent home on December 3. The Learner Profile covers all areas of our learning but in Literacy, the areas I am specifically looking at are:

- How they communicate their ideas through speaking and drawing
- Knowledge of the letters in their name
- The letters and letter sounds we have specifically studied (S, A, T, I, P, N, C/K, although if they know more than those few that is great!)
  - Use the letters we've learned to identify the sounds at the beginning of words (identify that socks begins with S for example)
  - Use the letters we've learned to sound out basic three letter words (ex: SAT, PIN, CAT)

Use the letter of the week poems and printing pages to check in with your child on their knowledge in these areas.

We began our study of patterns this week and it was so fun to see everyone dressed in patterns on Tuesday. Encourage your child to look for patterns at home, both visual patterns and patterns in our actions (the patterns of our days, seasons, etc).

We talked about Remembrance Day this week and the students coloured poppies for our class wreath. Our Grade 8 class is creating a virtual Remembrance Day assembly that we will watch on Tuesday. Just a reminder for anyone with children in older grades, there is no school on Wednesday, November 11.

We will wrap up our unit of inquiry, Who We Are, in the next few weeks. Our next UOI is How We Organize Ourselves which will focus on our community and jobs such as fire fighters, police officers, vets/vet techs, doctors, dentists, mail carriers, etc. I am looking for parents or family members to talk about their jobs and answer student questions **via Google Meet**. It would be an excellent way for the students to see first hand the work people do in our community. Bonus points if you can "meet" with us from your workplace! If you are interested, please contact me.

**We need playdough! If you would make a giant batch of playdough for our class, please contact me.**

Have a great weekend!

## Important Dates

Wed. Nov 11 – No school (older grades)

**Nov 20 – Kinder Friday**

## Unit of Inquiry

### Who We Are

**Central Idea:** People change over time

#### Lines of Inquiry:

- Similarities and differences
- Changes in ourselves and others

**Key Concepts:** Change, Connection, Reflection

**Learner Profile:** Thinkers, Communicators, Reflective

**Attitudes:** Appreciation, Creativity, Curiosity

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