

Mallard May Newsletter



In the Classroom

Newsletter Date

Mrs. Jensen's Room:

Students in Grades 2-8 continue to work on math units for each grade. Some of the current topics of study are learning and applying mental math strategies to add and subtract numbers, area of shapes, multi-digit multiplication, increasing and decreasing decimal patterns, measurement of shapes, and Pythagorean Theorem of triangles. Daily work on mental math practice and math fact practice are helping to increase speed of fact recall. In problem solving students work in small and large groups to find a variety of answers to a given problem. One of their favourite topics for problem solving tasks is food, especially ice cream!

In Language Arts students from Grades 2-6 continue with daily UFLI lessons focusing on phonics skills that help them to read and write with more confidence. Some of our most recent lessons have focused on ending spelling patterns (use y for the long l or e sound) and suffix spelling rules (double the consonant and add an ending or drop the e and add an ending.) The Rewards program for Grade 7-8 are nearing completion of the first book. We are focusing on vocabulary and reading longer words and have just started reading with speed while maintaining accuracy.

In Social Studies some are learning about different communities in Canada and how our life is similar to theirs and how it is different. The rest are learning about how an election is run in Canada and will soon begin a project researching a past Prime Minister of Canada. In Science some are learning about air and water and how pressure affects both, The other group is learning about weather and will soon complete their cloud posters.

Phys Ed is focused on swimming lessons each Friday and learning proper swim strokes and water safety. Students will also be preparing for the soccer tournament in June.

Happy Birthday:

RAINA MAY 16TH

AIDEN MAY 31ST

AUSTIN MAY 31ST

NEXT BOOKMOBILE:

TUESDAY, MAY 7TH

Dates to Note:

MAY 20 -NO SCHOOL
VICTORIA DAY

MAY 21 -NO SCHOOL
RELIGIOUS HOLIDAY

MAY 27TH -30TH
GR. 12 ELA EXAM

JUNE 13 PM NO SCHOOL
STAFF MEETING

JUNE 14 - PORTFOLIO SHARING

JUNE 19 - SPORTS
AFTERNOON AND PICNIC

JUNE 28 - REPORT CARDS

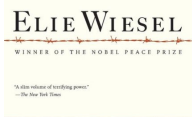
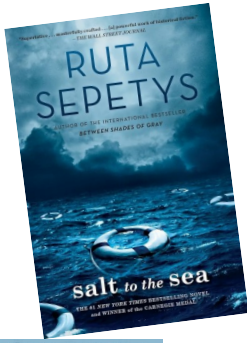
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High School Happenings

The High-School Students are finishing up their World War 2 novel study and will be working on creative projects to wrap it up. After that, we will be taking a deep dive into research essay writing. They will all have the opportunity to choose a topic in WW2 that interests them and delve into them further.

Students are making excellent progress in math and some of the grades are getting very close to finishing up for the year! Grade 9's have finished up their unit on polynomials and are now getting into graphing linear relations.

In German, students all made German culture posters and they will be put on display in the kitchen hallway once they are all complete.



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Graduation 2024



At Lyndon's request a full graduation ceremony will take place with some of his fellow classmates next June 2025. A small presentation will be made on Monday, June 24th in the morning at the school with students, staff, and Lyndon's family. A celebration will be had with the community at next years ceremony.

"It is not about managing your emotions, it is about managing your reaction to your emotions."

Picnic 2024



Mallard School Picnic has been planned for Wednesday, June 19th this year. We will reserve June 20th (Thursday) for a rain date. Activities will be held in the afternoon for students and volunteers that would like to participate. We look forward to a wonderful afternoon together!

From the Guidance Counsellor:

This month we continued with the theme of our feelings. Students spent more time identifying feelings and understanding our reactions to those feelings. Students practiced some breathing exercises as a way to calm strong emotions. They also made stress balls to use as another calming strategy.

