

Lightly School's Clearly Delightful News

May 2026

Mrs. Cassidy's Corner

We had a great day out visiting the art show. There are some amazing Hutterian artists and we were able to view so many different types of art. I hope the students were inspired in their own artistic endeavors, whatever they may be. We were also able to participate in a sculpting demonstration and the students were able to work with clay to create their own sculpture. Our presenter was an amazing individual and artist with many interesting stories to tell. I believe the art show was an incredible opportunity for students to develop their skills by working with artists, by completing and choosing art to be displayed, and observing the art of other students. A big thank to everyone involved in making this very worthwhile day happen. After the art show we were able to visit Quarry Park and learn about the history of Stonewall by either visiting the displays inside, or by exploring the park. Although it was a little cool, we also enjoyed a picnic lunch (thank you Linda and ladies!)

Students have been working hard on a variety of Social Studies projects. The grade 5's were able to present their projects and they did an excellent job. They created models of a trading post and were able to explain the benefits of specific locations and all the buildings, and activities that took place in a trading post. Some students are busy researching ancient civilizations and others researching Canada. It is great that students get to show their learning in a variety of ways from models and dioramas, posters, and written work. Keep up the great work everyone, we are excited to see the results.

It seems like some warmer weather may finally be here. I imagine that everyone is anxious to be outside and working in gardens and fields, but we are not quite finished school yet. May and June are very busy with assessments for both Math and Ela, and working to finish projects. The end of the school year is coming very quickly and with things getting busier in the fields and gardens, I encourage the high school students to use their time wisely so they can, fulfill their colony responsibilities, enjoy activities at the end of the year and keep their grades up. I know by planning ahead and working hard our students can find great success.

Please see the June calendar for upcoming dates such as, Portfolio Day where parents and colony members gets an opportunity to see all the great work that is happening at the school. We are planning a celebration for our Kindergartens, and our year-end slide presentation for that day as well so please keep that day open. Dates will also be posted for some fun activities at the end of June.

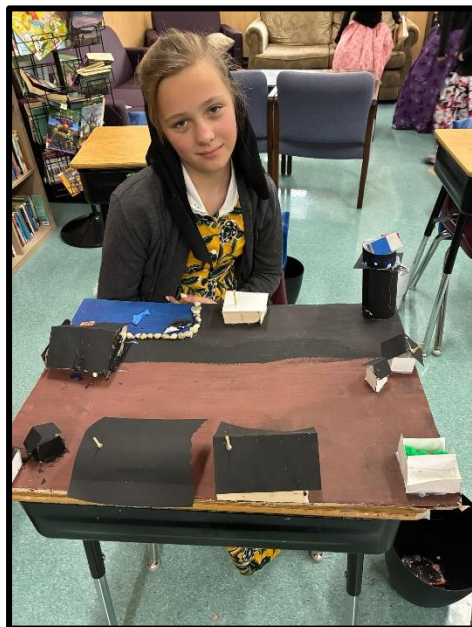
Take care,
Mrs. Cassidy

A Message from The Guidance Counsellor

All year in guidance we have been learning about how we can help our world and make a difference in the lives of others. The students coloured placemats to be used at Siloam Mission's Thanksgiving meal, made cards with special Christmas greetings for the Stonewall Christmas Cheer Board, and reflected on how important it is to have a safe, secure home through the Habitat for Humanity's Meaning of Home writing project. For our final guidance project this year, we've been focusing on sustainability, the importance of the environment, and how we can all help to keep our earth healthy for years to come. We've learned about how essential water is and ways we can help to preserve clean water. We've also studied how trees are a resource that we cannot live without. Although we need to use resources from the earth to live, it's important to think about how our actions affect the environment and look for ways to reduce our impact. We have had a great year learning about how we can help others, be grateful for our blessings, and about the importance of taking care of our environment. We look forward to more guidance lessons next year. Have a great summer everyone!

Trading Post Models...

Our Grade 5 students have been learning all about the fur trade and as a major project they had to make a model of a trading post to present.



Swimming to Success

Our students have been working hard on their swimming skills all of April and May, now with the last couple of lessons coming up we've been very impressed with their progress and look forward to seeing them improve in the future.



Fun In the Sun...

Our students have been enjoying the very welcome warm weather by spending Phys-ed outside. From soccer to tag to baseball, they're not letting the sun slip them by.



Art Show

Our students had the opportunity this month to submit their work to The Interlake School Division Hutterian Art Show. This is the first time it's been held since Covid 19 and the first time that it's been just the Hutterian Schools. The students spent the day browsing other people's creations and hunting for their own work. The younger kids had a job to do, hunting for little yellow ducks hidden throughout the displays. Our students also had a great time making clay sculptures with the artist who used to be a sketch artist for the police and learned how to sculpt by reconstructing faces as a forensic artist.



