

## **Fifth Grade News February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

### **Classroom News**

We started our Architecture in Schools Program this week with Crystal Sanderson. Students learned about Crystal and some of the projects she has done in the past and is currently working on. We were able to try a few designs ourselves in class. Students will continue to work during this program to understand more about Architecture and the design process. My hope is the homework they take home will help start conversations around your own experience or interest in Architecture as well.

Girl's lunch starts next week of February 27th to March 3rd. Please pack a lunch that can be eaten in the classroom for your daughter so we can spend the most time together. All students who get a cold or hot lunch will have the opportunity to get their lunch, however we won't have time for girls to use the microwave that week. I have heard from multiple girls how excited they are to have girl's lunch again, so thank you in advance for helping us enjoy it together. Don't worry all students who attend either the girls or boys lunch will be able to go outside for recess and get fresh air.

February and March birthdays will be celebrated together on February 24th from 2:45 p.m. to 3:09 p.m. Please let me know if you would like to bring in a treat for the class to enjoy. We will be writing individual letters to each of the birthday students during this time and celebrating their birthdays as a class. Some months parents have brought in balloons, or hats, other months we have had simply donuts or ice-cream. I will send out a reminder e-mail a few days before to parents whose children have birthdays in February and March to help coordinate any treats that may be brought that afternoon.

Volunteers needed for Field Trips! We will be leaving Cathedral again on March 8th to the Philharmonic Concert. We will also be going to the Apple Store on April 18th from 12: 40 p.m. to 3:05 p.m. Please log onto Volgistics and sign up to be a chaperone for our class.

### **Curriculum Focus for Next Week**

#### **Religion**

Next week we will continue studying the Paschal Mystery and study the life of Saint Paul Miki.

#### **Reading**

Next week we will be finishing our reading on how resources meet the needs and wants of the Canadian people. Students will learn how to take notes from multiple sources, including graphs, videos, pictures and texts. They will use their research to help them write a well written paragraph.

#### **Writing**

Next week we will continue to work on proper grammar and punctuation in dialogue. Students will be writing a conversation between them and a famous historian

from our Social Studies book.

### **Math**

Next week we will use order of operations to evaluate expressions for whole numbers and decimals. We will also translate words into equations.

### **Science/Social Studies**

Next week we will continue understanding the ways the geosphere, biosphere, hydrosphere, and atmosphere interact. Mrs. White and Mrs. Rae will continue collaborating with us during Art and Makerspace.

### **School News**

#### **Next week**

We will be participating in the assembly on Monday for author Mike Thaler. Please remind your child to bring in any books they would want to have signed. It will be a wonderful opportunity for them to hear his stories in person as well.

### **Upcoming Events**

February and March Birthday Celebration, Friday, February 24th from 2:45 p.m. to 3:09 p.m.

Religion Test on Chapter 9, Monday, February 27th

Mathematics Test on Chapters 5-8, Tuesday, February 28th

Philharmonic Concert, March 8th

Apple Store Field Trip, April 18th