

Huntsville News



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Kindergarten

It has been great seeing all the enthusiasm of the boys and girls as we moved through another month of school and I can't wait to see what November brings.

Our themes for November are Fairy Tales and Nursery Rhymes. In Language Arts we will be doing literacy activities that revolve around the stories: Goldilocks and the 3 Bears, The 3 Little Pigs and The 3 Billy Goats Gruff. The boys and girls will also be working on rhyming words. In Math we are learning about shapes and numbers. In Science we will be learning about magnets. In Social the boys and girls will be learning about how we belong and what makes us unique. In Gym our class will be playing "What time is it Mr. Wolf?" and going through an obstacle course. Our Kindergarten Fridays for this month are November 15 and November 29.

See you for Parent/Teacher interviews,

Mrs. Grandmont

Grade 2/3

Grade 2/3 have had a great start to the year! We have shown a lot of growth as both readers and writers. In writing we have been writing poems about things that are important to us. They are becoming great poets! In Math students continue to build on the skills they learned last year and are becoming more confident in our abilities as Mathematicians.

Ms. Easthope

Grade 3/4

It's been a busy month in the Grade 3/4 homeroom class. Students have settled nicely into classroom routines and are increasingly focused on learning. We have been building marble runs as a project-based Science unit. Students are learning about the traditional lifestyles of First Nation peoples in Alberta, and how efficiently the buffalo was used to sustain these communities. We are learning about pattern attributes in Math, while working on basic numeracy skills through games such as Yahtzee. Students are reminded to read at home every night as building up reading stamina is also a strong focus. Students are enjoying our daily singing class and have learned a number of new songs. As we get later into autumn, students are reminded to bring warm clothing everyday so that they can better enjoy their outdoor recess time.

Mrs. Yanke

Grade 4/5

There is a lot going on in both the 4/5 and 6/7 classes. In 4/5 Math we just finished learning about Place Value, and students are beginning a unit on Adding and Subtracting. In 4/5 Science the students learned all about Wheels and Levers and are now starting to apply some of their knowledge by building devices such as flagpole pulley systems. In 6/7 Math we just finished learning about Integers, and will be moving on to Fractions next. In 6/7 Science we learned about Trees and Forests, and wrapped up the unit with interesting presentations and discussions on current events related to forests.

Both the 4/5 and 6/7 classes painted a Fall Barn scene in Art class and their paintings are impressive!

The 4/5's and 6/7's are also practicing math skills through games such as Yahtzee, Crib, and Pyramid, and I encourage them to play these games at home with their families.

Mrs. Laturnus

Grade 6/7

Students have wrapped up their back to school reviews and are ready to take on more challenging work in Language Arts and Social Studies. We began the year with a focus on sentence structure and classroom routines. We are now moving onto a study of Newspaper in writing. The 4/5s will be starting short story literature circles, and the 6/7s have begun a novel study of Hatchet and Where the Red Fern Grows.

We started Social with a review of geography and are now branching out into grade specific units. The 4/5s are learning about the history of Canada and the significance of the Canadian Pacific Railway. The grade 6 students will be studying the relationship between citizens and the government in society. Lastly, the grade 7 students will be exploring the culture of three First Nations groups that helped make Canada the country it is.

Mrs. Gruninger

Grade 8/9

The 8/9 class is learning all about the Canadian government and citizenship in Social Studies. This past Friday we took part in an exciting nationwide student vote that ran parallel to the general federal election. They were very excited to cast their votes with almost 1.2 million other students across Canada. Student elections were held across the country between Oct. 15-18th but results were not made public until after the general federal election. All the students were all very excited to see their results, compare the results to the student results and wait for the general election results to conclude. It has been a very exciting time in our classroom.

Mrs. Barwegen

Ms. McCallum

In Elementary...

Grade 4 math students have been learning about place value with numbers up to 10 000! In 2/3 Science, students have been learning about hot and cold temperatures, as well as safety when around hot items, and what to wear when it's cold outside. The 2/3s have also started learning about the game of volleyball in our gym classes.

In 8/9 Health/Options...

In health, students have been learning about how to look for and resolve conflict, as well as what healthy friendships look like. In Options in September, students were working in the Woodshop at PBHS. In October, they have been in the kitchen at PBHS and cooking up a storm!

In High School Options...

Students are working on understanding computers and elements and principles linked to digital drawing and images. Students are now discussing how media impacts their lives.

