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Creativity in the Classroom

Art Room with Miss Carolyn

Grade 2 has been busy drawing snow bunnies while grade 3 has been experimenting with markers, pencil crayons and pastels.

Miss Arcamone- Grade 3

The students have been learning more about black history and civil rights. Also learning about helping people and making friends. The class has also started writing to penpal students in a school in London, England...they are very excited to make these new friends!

Mme. D'Avirro's Grade 1

Students have been making their own clocks and also celebrated a fun "tropical day" 😊😊

GRADE 5 (503)

We have been learning all different types of poetry. Limericks, haiku and sonnets! The students have had fun writing their own poems many of which are displayed in the hallway. We have recently started a penpal activity with a school in London, England, along with MS Arcamone's class, and have written 3 letters already and received letters back. The students are excited to learn more about their new friends!

IN THE GYM WITH MR C AND MRS C

We just finished working on movement, soccer and tchoukball with Mrs. And Mr. J, our student teachers. We just recently moved into volleyball with our grade 4, 5 & 6 students and working on dribbling throwing and catching with our grade 1, 2 & 3 students. Coming up, we will be starting track and field with our older students and focusing on fitness and health with our younger ones!

IN MISS LIANA'S MUSIC CLASSES

Grade 1s are learning about the composer Camille Saint-Saëns and the musical suite Carnival of the Animals.

Grade 2s learned a Japanese folksong about spring called « Sakura » that they performed with Orff instruments. They are learning about the composer Sergei Prokofiev and the musical story of Peter & the Wolf.

Grade 3s are learning about the instruments of the orchestra. We will begin music centres (or stations) in the coming week.

Grade 4s recently started a unit in bucket drumming. They had been exploring different drum kit sounds through vocal percussion and using virtual drum kits. Now, they are learning a matched grip and how to make four different types of sounds using a bucket.

Grade 5s are learning different strumming patterns and developing their skills on the ukulele.

Grade 6s are travelling the world virtually to learn about music cultures from different parts of the world. They have travelled virtually through Africa, the Middle East, India, China, Japan, Indonesia and Australia so far. We also took some time to learn about film composer John Williams and complete some Star Wars related themes!



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Poet's Corner

*As this sadness now streams
Like broken sunbeams
Breaking through all the chaos
Tries to light up our shade.
Our weary hope fades,
As we follow the rules
To be told, at day's end....that the tunnel is longer than we had once thought.*

*Giving loved ones some strength
To try keeping the faith...
When we're losing ours
How do we stay so strong...in this world so full of wrong?
When we don't know what's true
Or what lies in their lives.*

*A singular choice...in this vivid white noise....we should all use our voice...
Not a time for hushed tones...
Or for self-centered thought.
Let the battle be fought for all of us now.....
We do have a choice...we do have a say.....find the courage to turn your thoughts into deeds.....
Turn your words into actions for the good of us all.....
When the time comes to place your mark
Don't leave this era back in the dark.*

*It will pass, we know this,
But we will only be stronger if our voices are not silenced...a blind eye not turned.
Make a mark in your life....make your three score and ten count for something much bigger than three score and ten.*



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COVID SONNET

When covid rules are scaring us no more.

And life returns to normal once again.

When friends can come and knock upon our door.

And gather in big groups of more than ten.

I want to see the people that I've missed.

And hold them close and never let them go.

I want to chat and laugh and hug and kiss, Say

"I love you more than you'll ever know"

When life can bring us sadness, look for joy.

When things look dark, just run towards the light.

This too shall pass, and life we will enjoy

And everything, you'll see, will be alright.

So count your blessings, treasure every day.

Be grateful for your life in every way.

SCARLET'S SONNET

At dusk animals roam. At dawn they sleep.

The night shines as the stars brightly twinkle.

The forest green frogs will leap and repeat.

Red apes and black leopards in the jungle.

The heating sun blooms the flowers slowly.

The leaves on the trees are changing colors.

The red charming birds keep chirping nicely.

The winds that move the trees are much duller.

The heavy rain is splashing the windows.

The new buds are growing on the brown trees.

The new tulips are turning indigo

The wild animals are finally free.

Mother Nature is at her very best.

When she shows her beauty at its finest.

-Scarlet



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JOKES OF THE MONTH BY MISS LIA'S GRADE 3 CLASS

Why did the leaf go to the doctor?

Because he looked green.

Why did the spider leave home?

He wanted to change websites.

What do you call a rabbit with fleas?

Bugs bunny.

Why is the letter A like a flower?

A bee comes after it.

How excited was the gardener about spring?

So excited he wet his plants.

Knock Knock

Who's there?

Ken

Ken who?

Ken you come out and play.

ECO FREAKOS!!!

Even though we have had to scale back a lot of our ecofriendly activities this year, we are still busy doing what we can!

We have reintroduced the food waste bins to each class and are making newspaper liners each week for everyone. We hope that all classes will take on this worthwhile task each day!

Our newly formed "clean up crew" are a group of daycare students led by Gacia from grade 5, who took time on a Friday to pick up garbage in the yards and dispose of it properly.

We have our disposal station in front of the office for garbage and recycling and battery collection.

All doing our part for the environment!!!





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KINDIE KORNER

AS WE KNOW....EVERYTHING WORTH LEARNING....YOU LEARN IN KINDERGARDEN! HERE ARE SOME OF THE FUN, AMAZING THINGS OUR K4 AND K5 CLASSES HAVE BEEN UP TO THIS MONTH!!

MISS SARAH & MISS NELLIES'S K4 CLASS!!

Building bird feeders with recycled materials
 Learning how to care for our planet
 We are preparing for a mother's day tea party
 We have been planting grass, and sunflowers.
 We created a greenhouse to watch how a bean sprouts.
 There have been gross motor activities (enjoying fun times at the park)
 Parent component activity... family board game night. (A way for families to connect offline!)

FUN WITH MISS TALIA & MISS DIANA'S CLASS!!

Madame Lara came to our K4 class (on her break) to play her guitar and lead us in singing and dancing....they loved the live concert!

MR. MAYER'S K5 CLASS!

We held a "career day" where they dressed up as something they want to be when they grow up. K4 and k5 students have been learning about spring and things that grow. With Mr. Mayer, they planted sunflowers in their garden boxes and have planted an herb garden.

MS. ALEX'S K5 CLASS!

We focused on planting in April. We planted vegetables in mini compostable pots (which they got to plant in a bigger pot and bring it home). We created a bean "greenhouse" using a Ziploc. We also made chia pets using grass seeds (the cup had their face on it and the grass was their hair ha-ha). The kids absolutely loved it!





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