

# Division 9 Newsletter (Le bulletin de la Division 9) October 2021



Bonjour tout le monde,

I hope you and your children enjoyed the first month of school and feel settled into the new routine.

It has been a joy to get to know your children this past month. Each student has contributed something special to our class community, and has shown creativity, compassion, and enthusiasm for learning!

After setting a foundation of class expectations and social-emotional lessons in September, we will delve deeper into our thematic units this month, focusing on understanding culture, and matter and thermal energy. Some of the projects we will do this term may require parent support. Thank you for supporting your child as needed for these projects! Please let me know if you have any challenges or concerns.

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### **Classroom Updates**

#### Son de la semaine

Each week, we will be studying a new "sound of the week" to work on pronunciation, vocabulary, and spelling. We will study the sound and have 10 spelling words to work on throughout the week. We will have a spelling test ("la dictée") on Fridays. So far, we have practiced the sound « é » in class.

#### At-home reading

Daily reading will help your child to grow as a reader and writer. For weekly homework in Term 1, I will be sending a reading log for students to complete and return each Monday, along with class books. Please support your child to read and care for the books, and return them each week. Thank you!

#### **Culture Culture Culture!**

We will be learning about the elements that make up a culture, and in doing so, sharing about our own!
Students will be assigned a flipbook to fill out with details about themselves. A letter with more information on this project will be sent home soon.

#### **Important Dates:**

Monday, October 11th:

Thanksgiving Day – no school

Friday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>:

Professional Development Day for teachers, no school for students.



Weekly Schedule	
Monday	Early dismissal     at 1:58pm
Tuesday	• Library (1:30- 2:00)
Wednesday	<ul> <li>Gym with Mme Anderson (9:30-10:00)</li> <li>Music with Ms. Loo (1:25-2:05)</li> </ul>
Thursday	• PHE with Mme Parks (9:20- 9:55)
Friday	Music with Ms. Loo (9:55-10:30)

### Fait intéressant!

La terre pourrait se placer dans le soleil 1 million fois. Le soleil est énorme!



### Classroom Updates, continued

#### Scientist of the Week

As we begin our Science unit on matter and thermal energy, we will also be learning about the scientific method (hypothesis, experiment, observations, conclusions). Students will be asked to prepare experiments to present to the class through Terms 1 and 2, and may require parent support. A letter with more information will be sent home next week.

#### **Hungry Bin**

Division 9 is responsible for Brantford's compost worms! We will be feeding the worms with fruit and vegetable scraps, which will then be turned to compost to nourish our school garden. If you would

like to contribute kitchen scraps, please see the post on our class website regarding worm-friendly foods! Thank you! <a href="http://sd41blogs.ca/andersonm/">http://sd41blogs.ca/andersonm/</a>.

#### Health Checks - reminder

Please monitor for these symptoms before leaving for school. If your child answers "Yes" to any of the questions below, he/she/they will not be allowed to attend school until you receive direction from an 8-1-1 nurse:

- Do you have a fever, chills, or a cough?
- Are you feeling a sore throat, loss of appetite, extreme tiredness, headache, or body aches?
- Do you feel nauseous or experiencing diarrhea?
- Is anyone in your household ill?

Please wait until your child has answered the questions and entered the school before leaving at drop-off.

Thank you so much for taking care to ensure that your children are not presenting symptoms before attending school. We all truly appreciate the community care that each of you are demonstrating. It is what allows us to feel safe at school, and to continue attending class in person.



## French phrases to practice at home

(A few questions and answers to review basic vocabulary!)



2. Q : Quel temps fait-il?

A : Il fait soleil.

Il pleut.

Il neige.

Il est venteux

froid.

Il fait froid.



Il fait chaud.