

Division 9 Newsletter (Le bulletin de la Division 9) March 2022



Bonjour tout le monde,

February sped past us, and we are looking forward to March and the upcoming Spring Break.

In March, we will continue with our units on landforms, and Indigenous people groups. We will continue with multiplication and division. While we have been working hard at these units, we may continue to study them in the weeks after Spring Break. We will aim to design, construct, paint, and label our own imaginary islands over the next week but this exciting project may just need more time to be completed!

We have been learning about the six main cultural groups of Indigenous peoples across what is currently known as Canada. So far, we have studied the Arctic, Subarctic, Eastern Forests, and Plains peoples, and will study the people of the Plateau region before our larger study on peoples of the West Coast (specifically the Coast Salish) in Term 3.

We have been talking about the qualities that make a good friend, reading books, and reflecting on what we appreciate about one another and ourselves. We have been working on recognizing our emotions and on building a toolbox of calm down strategies when needed.

We will have a busy week and half before Spring Break! I hope that the two weeks off will be an opportunity for rest and exploring outdoors in warmer weather and sunshine!

> Warm regards, Mme Anderson

<u>Classroom Updates</u>

Weekly Reading and Math Homework: I have begun sending home a weekly homework choice board. I will send home one sheet at a time, and students will have the choice of which activities to complete and return along with their weekly reading logs. Activities will be based on three categories: reading, word work, and math. If they wish, students can complete more than the expected three assignments!

Important Dates:

Thursday, March 10th: First formal reports and Term 2 work sent home with students.

Sunday, March 13th: Spring Forward – move the clocks ahead an hour.

March 14-25th: Spring Break

Monday, March 28th: School Resumes

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

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Classroom Updates, continued

Reading Journals Reminder

Bravo to all those who have been reading at home, with class books, library books, or Je Lis online! Daily reading truly makes a difference in students' strengths as readers and writers. Please continue to encourage your child to complete their weekly Journal de lecture and return it to class on Fridays or Mondays. Thank you!

Class Blog Reminder

If you are not already familiar with our class blog, please take a look! I share weekly updates on our learning activities as well as share the words of the week to practice for Friday's dictée at home. You may access the blog at:

http://sd41blogs.ca/andersonm/

Hungry Bin Worms

As spring arrives, we will be spending time in our garden, and will be taking the rich compost from the Hungry Bin worms. If you have kitchen scraps to share, our red wriggler worms would love to eat them! If you would like to contribute kitchen scraps, please see the post on our class website regarding worm-friendly foods!

Health Checks Reminder

Please continue to monitor

for these symptoms before leaving for school. If your child answers "Yes" to any of the questions below, he/she/they must stay home:

Are you experiencing any of the following?

- Fever higher than 38 degrees
- Chills
- Cough
- Loss of sense of smell or taste -
- **Difficulty breathing** -
- Sore throat -
- Loss of appetite
- Headache or body aches
- Extreme fatigue or tiredness -
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea -

Thank you for taking care to ensure your child is healthy before sending them to school. It is truly appreciated!

