

November 28, 2013

From the teachers...

I trust everyone enjoyed their very first snow day of the season! I hope you all took the opportunity to build snowmen and hit the slopes with your sleds! As I drove into the school parking lot, my daughter, Joanna, exclaimed, "Mom! Look! The snowplow was here!" No doubt the kids will have a lot of fun playing in the mounds of snow made by the snowplow at recess time.

In Social Studies we have begun studying Canadian Geography. Grades 1-3 began looking at maps and how they can show our location while grades 4-7 started learning about economics and industry.

The students have been really enjoying their Church History lessons with Pastor George. They have been learning about Thomas Cranmer and next week will be jumping ahead to learn about Rev. deCock.

Next week begins the final count down until Christmas break. It's hard to believe that December is upon us. May God's blessings continue as we press forward into a new month.

Enjoy the weekend!
Mrs. Smith

This week was a short week but a busy week. Grades 1-4 really worked in French on their phonics with the sound 'o' and 'u'. They know that *allô, chapeau, eau, bateau, bureau, aurevoir, rose, mot, dos* etc are all 'o' words. They know that *tuque, jus, une, du*, etc are 'u' words. As we have every Tuesday we had fun with singing '*Hier c'était lundi, aujourd'hui c'est mardi, demain ce sera mercredi, après jeudi*.. Maybe you've heard it at home. In the song they have learned the days of the week, the words yesterday, today, tomorrow and the verb être in the imperfect, present and future. Two other favourites are '*Qui a fait les papillons....Dieu notre Père*' and '*Un, deux, trois, quatre, cinq, six....dix, vingt, trente, quarante....Cent, Mille, Un Million...*'

Les recettes et les menus was what kept the grades 5-7 busy. They wrote out their own restaurant menus. Très bien! We also practiced: *Quel est ton restaurant préféré? Qu'est-ce-que tu aimes manger? Quel est ton dessert préféré? Qu'est-ce-que tu n'aimes pas manger?*

Grade 3 is getting ready to move on from all the different aspects of 3-4 digit subtraction and grade 4 is ready to do something other than 2 digit multiplication. A few new things coming this week.

Grades 5-7 are Reading and Typing away every day before lunch and

doing very well. Grade 7 is enjoying working on and studying more closely a collection of Aesop's Fables.

Next week as we begin the month of December we will be launching ourselves into Winter and Christmas themes.

Bonne fin de semaine,
Mrs Lüdwig

Sara Lüdwig

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Looking Ahead:

Star of the Week: Anna

Bible History:

The Parable of the Sower (Matt. 13:1-23; Mark 4:1-20)

The Parable of the Weeds and the Mustard Seed (Matt. 13:24-43; Mark 4:30-34)

The Death of John the Baptist (Matt. 14:1-12; Mark 6:14-29; Luke 3:19-20; 9:7-9)

Memory Work: Hymn 17:1 (grades 1-3) Hymn 17:1,3 (grades 4-7)

Dates to Remember

Dec 5 – Parent/teacher interviews

Dec 17 – Christmas assembly

Dec 19 - last day of school for 2013

My Trip to the Skateboard Park

By Jürgen Lüdwig

I felt energetic. I wanted to get moving and be active. Then I remembered. Today I was going to the skate park!

When we arrived, I got out of the van and walked to the back where our trailer was hooked on. I got

my bike out of the trailer and rode it up into the skate park.

There were only a few people there. I walked my bike to the side and surveyed the territory. Not too crowded.

I took a deep breath and launched myself onto my bike. I stood up, braced myself, and WOOOSH! Down a ramp I sped. I rounded the bowl, and drove into a tight corner. I whipped my bike around in midair, and rode up a ramp.

By the time I pedalled up, Mathias had already arrived into the park. I biked up beside him and said goodbye to my Dad. Once he left I sat on the wall and watched Mathias bike around.

Neither of us skateboard anymore; we BMX bike instead. We find biking more fun and easier to learn.

As I was going up a ramp, I felt a jolt. Mathias had driven in front of me and I was only half way up the ramp. My brakes jammed and I slid down the ramp, my pegs scraped the ramp, and my leg. I winced and pulled back from my bike, a scrape sprawling across my leg.

My Dad got back soon after. Then, after a few minutes of last minute biking, we left the park. My leg hurt, but overall, we had lots of fun.

Spelling/Sight Words:

Grade 1: *Sight words:* very, an, over, your, its *Spelling words:* Rash, smash, splash, king, bring, swing, bank, crank, drank

Grade 2: meat, treat, wheat, heap, leap, cheap, bean, lean, mean, clean, load, road, toad, oak, soak, cloak, boast, coast, roast, toast, been, again

Grade 3: pray, prayed, praying, roast, roasted, roasting, weak, weaker, weakest, snow, snowed, snowing, gray, grayer, grayest, near, nearer, nearest, pass, passed, passing, slow, slower, slowest, obey, Christian, Christmas

Grade 4: herd, mercy, sermon, person, northwest, corner, brainstorm, thunderstorm, support, whirl, charcoal, carpenter, yardstick, wear, where, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah

Grade 5: trousers, account, mountain, drowned, coward, avoided, anoint, disappoint, destroy, oyster, loyalty, pardon, bargain, department, doubt, drought, turquoise, Illinois

Grade 6: appreciate, appreciation, promote, promotion, probable, probability, possible, possibility, caution, cautious, ambition, ambitious, nutrition, nutritious, Guatemala, Guinea, Guyana, Haiti

Grade 7: academic, expressed, improvise, interrupt, supposedly, superior, procedure, supposed, December, horrifying, intention, traveling, imaginary, ravioli, orphan, diamond, argumentative, amphibian, condominium, precipitation, bachelor, pseudonym

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