

News from Rm12

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Last Week's Highlights



We have a new HERO trait as our focus this month - OPTIMISM! Our intermediate students have a great daily affirmation for us to say to help us remember to always be optimistic and to keep on smiling☺ Our month-long focus on Optimism was kicked off with a great assembly lead by some of our classes! We also heard the story, "I Like Myself", by Karen Beaumont, during our Class Meeting this week and discussed how important it is to send ourselves positive "I" messages! We ended the week with a great Team Canada Spirit Day which was filled with celebrations of our wonderful Winter Olympics in PyeongChang. We traveled between 4 classes to participate in some fun Olympic-themed activities, such as creating a Snowboarder, playing Minute-to-Win-It games and completing a challenging Connect-the-Dot activity. We are so proud of our Canadian athletes at this year's Winter Olympics!



Language Arts

We have learned about many important features of non-fiction texts such as the Table of Contents, headings/subheadings, the index, the glossary, captions, text boxes and the cover. We will be applying these skills as we create a brochure about a country of our choice that we will begin to research next week.

We also learned how to write a "5W" poem. These poems are really fun and easy to write as we simply answer 5 questions just as the title suggests.

Mathematics

This week, we have continued to gain knowledge of different strategies we can use to multiply numbers together when we are solving problems which involve repeated addition. We learned that if we line objects up into equal rows, we create an array which is a great tool for helping us count up numbers of items. We also learned how to use a Mira to create symmetrical designs!

Science

We discovered that a force must act upon an object to make it move or change shape. We cannot see forces we can only see their effects. We also learned that forces can be direct or indirect. Direct forces are forces which we cause to happen, such as pushes or pulls. We can see examples of them all around us (e.g., we push a shovel, we pull a chair out, we push a cupboard door closed, we pull a comb through our hair). We will continue to discover how we can use direct forces to make inanimate objects move.



Notes and Reminders

Crazy Canuck French Fries - DATE CHANGE

- due to unforeseen circumstances, our French Fries delivery has been moved to after the March Break. Please watch for announcements confirming the date.

STEAM Week - March 19-23 (STEAM activities and presentations for all students)

STEAM Night - March 22 (invitation for families to come and check out our STEAM displays)

