

Grade One News

May 2016



Language: Daily 5 has been such a hit with the classes. The Grade 1's have become such avid writers. The kids are writing in the writing folders every chance they get! We love seeing this passion in them. Kids working with Mrs. Parker have even started writing letters to their peers which has been VERY fun to respond to. We have introduced how to writing as well and we definitely have some creative minds in our classes. We have just about finished up with our Grade 1 tricky words and will be working on reinforcing them throughout the rest of the month.

Math: In April all of the classes completed their "Measurement" unit. We tried something different this year: each class rotated to the different teachers to learn different ways to measure. Mrs. Secretan taught about capacity, Mrs. Karick and Mrs. Meeks taught about area, Miss Longjohn taught weight and Miss Larsen taught length and height. It was very fun to mix around the community and have different teachers every week in Math! During the classes we have measured and compared objects. It has been VERY hands on and entertaining. In May we will be working on our unit "2D and 3D Shapes". We will still be reinforcing addition and subtraction throughout the month. We have talked about length, height and area.

Science (Miss Larsen): We completed our unit "Seasonal Changes: Spring" and started our new unit "Needs of Plants and Animals". This unit started with examining the difference between living and nonliving things. The classes even got to play with real worms while comparing them to gummy worms. Our unit progressed to looking at animal adaptations. Your child should be able to tell you about different kinds of adaptations like camouflage and skin coverings (fur, scales, skin, feathers). The classes also started a top secret project that can't be revealed until Mother's Day! :)

Social (Mrs. Karick): During the month of May we will complete our unit "Moving Forward From the Past" with a field trip to Ft. Ostell. Then we will be learning about the Landmarks of Ponoka with a field trip around our town at the end of the month.

DPA/Health (Miss Longjohn): We have finished working on our balance and rhythmic movement using a variety of equipment. The students had a lot of fun working on the mission imPOSSIBLE activities. We are continuing to work on some hand eye coordination using the foam paddles and balls. The month of May will have a strong focus on working on the skills needed for Run, Jump and Throw activities. I will be sending out the date for the Grade 1 Run, Jump, Throw later this month.

A HUGE thank you goes out to Ponoka Dental Centre for sponsoring our dental presentation today! We had a dental hygienist come in and teach us all about how to take care of our teeth. It was a very interactive presentation and the kids were captivated by the entire thing! They learned a little rhyme to help them brush-inside, outside, where you chew your food. Hopefully they all came home and told you something that they learned! We even had a visit from the tooth fairy!

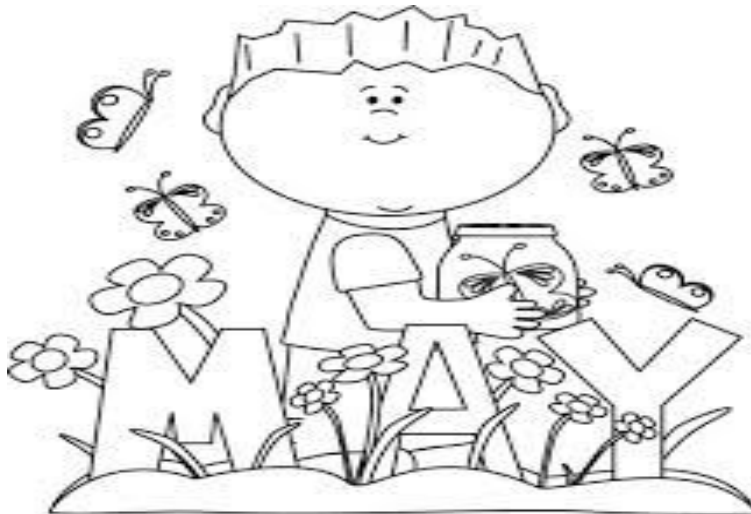


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Birthdays

Gracie- 22nd



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Miss Larsen's class swims	3 Miss Larsen's class swims	4 Miss Larsen's class swims BP's Pasta Lunch day	5 Miss Larsen's class swims	6 No School (Staff Collaboration Day)	7
8	9 Miss Larsen's class swims	10	11 Spring Photos Raspberry Patch Calzone hot lunch orders are due Fort Ostell Field Trip	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20 No School (Staff Collaboration Day)	21
22	23 No School (Victoria Day)	24 No School (Staff In Lieu Day)	25	26 BP's hot lunch orders are due Calzone hot lunch day	27	28
29	30 Landmarks Tour (Field Trip)	31				