



Weekly Connection

May 6 – May 10, 2024



We have been blessed with a robin's nest atop a play kitchen just outside the Kindergarten play area. Our Kinders have been carefully peeking into the nest. This week, four baby birds hatched! They are scrawny, featherless, and so weak they cannot hold up their heads. They will soon be competent, resourceful flyers, but for now, they rely solely on the care of their mother.

I was reminded of a beautiful passage in Matthew 6: 25-34.

“Don't worry (be anxious) about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body...Look at the birds of the sky. They don't sow or reap...yet your Heavenly Father feeds them. Aren't you worth more than they?...Learn about how the wildflowers grow; they don't labour or spin thread...If that's how God clothes the grass of the field...won't He do much more for you?...Seek first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be provided for you.

What a great reminder for us (me too) to put down our worries and lean into our Heavenly Father. He loves us completely, and just wants us to reach out to Him in our scrawny, baby-bird weakness, and allow Him to work in our lives.



CAMP THEMED WEEK AT SCHOOL COMING UP MAY 13-18

Our Grade 5-8 students are going on a three day overnight camp June 5-7. To build excitement and anticipation for camp, we are hosting “Camp Week at KCA” May 13-18. Each of the school days is a themed non-uniform day, and special camp snacks and a raffle for a basket of summer games/activities will add to the fun as we fundraise to help defer some of the cost of the trip to camp. Staff,

students and parent guests are asked to participate, with a donation of \$15 per person or \$30 a family.

A colourful flyer went home with your children today. Please don't purchase new t-shirts, etc...get creative and see what is in your child's closet that fits the theme of the day.



EIGHT WEEKS LEFT OF SCHOOL: SUMMER CAMP HERE

Nashville Road Community Church is offering summer camp for students (SK to Grade Five) for the month of July, right here in our school. Neighbours, friends and family are welcome too. Please find a camp form attached to the email.



This week we celebrate: Meimei J, Matthew L (KELC), Eli D, Michaela B

Last week's bday: Anthony H (KELC)

Next week's hot lunch:

Monday - Pizza

Wednesday - Hero Burger

Friday - Pancakes





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KELC: Jr. Preschool

MS. V & MS. STACEY

This week we focused to learn numbers, letters, shapes and colours. Next week we will be talking about Mothers Day.

Next week our letter focus is W/w and our number focus is back at 3!

Next weeks focus: Mother 's Day

Literacy: Letter W/w, choosing books, alphabets

Music: 5 Little Ducks, phonics, Joy in my Heart and Wheels and the Bus.

Dramatic: Tea Party

Gross Motor: Running outside, going for nature walk, jumping, dancing

Math: Number of the week: 3/counting using our fingers and number poster to help identify the number with what they look like written.

Social: Encouraging children to use their words with their friends when engaging in play together

Science: Volcano

Bible: The Story of Noah





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KELC: Sr. Preschool

MS. VETA, MS. HILDA & MS. IVANNA

This week the Seniors enjoyed story time and sensory experiences such as rice and different textile materials. They seemed to enjoy learning about Opposites and doing related art activities. The Seniors have been on walks and observing Nature. They have been listening to stories about God's world, which help them to see the beauty of God's creation.

Next Week's Focus : Mother's Day

Literacy : Story and picture Reading/letter G/sharing stories about our Moms during Circle/Practice speaking in sentences

Math: Matching and sorting numbers and shapes/heart/flower

Sensory Experience: Pink/red waterplay with flowers

Social Experience: Begin to offer help to their peers

Emotional Experience: Begin to focus their attention on their task

Art: Mother's Day : Arts and Crafts

Dramatic Centre: Tea Party

Have a great Mother's Day weekend





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Junior Kindergarten

MRS. HAMMOND & MS. DALIA

Bible: We will be spending the month of May learning about Moses. This week, we will be learning about Moses as a baby. (Exodus 1-3)

Math: Our JKs have been very interested in our classroom clock, so we will begin learning about time and clocks.

Language Arts: We will be focusing on the letter sound Vv. We will also be putting our letter sound knowledge to use as we sound out and spell 3 letter (1 vowel) words.

Creation Studies: Happy Mother's Day! We will be preparing special crafts and activities for our mummies.



JK Library and Learning Centres





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Senior Kindergarten

MRS. WHITE

Math: This week we are starting Chapter 11, which is our unit on Addition. We will be adding sums to 10 and using a number line to help with our counting.

Phonics: We will identify the letter “Yy” when it represents the long e or long i vowel sounds.

Creation Studies: We are beginning a new unit which is “Life on the Farm”

Bible Topic: Parables of Jesus: “The Good Samaritan” and “The Lost Sheep”.

Bible Verse: “I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me” Philippians 4:13





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Grade 1

MS. STAM

Bible: Wise King Solomon

Memory Verse: May's chapel theme is God Says I am Able. Our verse for the month is Philippians 4:13 & 19. "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me... And my God shall supply all your needs according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus." Due May 24

Language: Adding -ed and -ing. Sometime we drop the 'e', sometimes we double the last letter, sometimes we do neither. We will be writing about MOM.

Spelling: nose, bone, code, spoke, hole, note, weather, seasons, think, brown, Challenge words: closed, tadpole

Math: Adding and Subtracting 2 and 3 digit numbers using various methods.

Creation Studies: Strong Structures projects are due on Monday, May 13th! The 3 Bears visit on Tuesday to test the strength of your chairs. In the meantime, we will continue to look at strong structures from around the world.



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Grade 2

MRS. LEZAMA

Spelling: Students will be doing Lesson 30. This is a review lesson. However, students will be tested on the words from lessons 27 and 28. The List Words will be posted on Class Dojo. The Spelling Test will be on Friday.

Reading: We will be doing our first novel study. Students will be reading the first novel of the Flat Stanley series.

Grammar: For Grammar, students will continue working on how to use commas.

Math: Next week, we will begin learning about Multiplication.

Science: For Science next week, students will continue learning about Growth and Changes in Animals. We will focus on learning about animal adaptations.

Social Studies: Next week, we will resume learning about Global Communities. This is our last unit for Social Studies.

Bible: Students will be learning about the Rich Young Ruler. We will be looking at Mark 10:17-25. The memory verse for this week is Psalm 33:4. The students will be assessed on the memory verse on Friday.



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Grade 3

MRS. BRYAN

Our focus for next week will be:

Bible: The Israelites entered Canaan, the story of Joshua, and Moses final words to God's people.

Memory Verse: Matthew 6: 9- 13

This, then, is how you should pray: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen

Mathematics: Decimals- identifying decimals, adding and subtracting decimals.

Grammar: Using quotation marks to mark direct speech and direct quotations.

Creation Studies: Countries around the world.

Phonics: Adding the suffixes- ion, ment, en, and ible to words.

Spelling: Complete Lesson # 31- spelling words with the oi and ou sounds. Practice list words 31 for Spelling test next **Friday:** clown, join, town, crowd, enjoy, round, loud, point, coin, toys, about, proud, allow, foil, power, pound, blouse, crown, choice, loyal. **Bonus words:** avoid, doubt, destroy, spoil, drown.



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Grade 4

MS. RIZZO

We have had a great week in grade four with graphing presentations, and working hard to finish up some group projects. Here is what we have planned for next week:

Bible: Continuing the story of David, focusing on forgiveness

Math: Making change and measuring capacity

Language Arts: Chapter 13-15 of *The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane*. We will also begin planning our stories with an alternative ending, focusing on the elements of a story discussed in class. We will continue practicing dictionary and research skills.

Science: The doppler effect, echolocation and sound safety

Social Studies: We will be presenting our findings on inquiry questions about Medieval England and Ancient Rome, using primary and secondary sources.

Have a blessed week ahead!



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Grade 5

MRS. JOVIN

Happy Friday, Grade 5. Have a wonderful weekend!

Parents please send in your child's signed 'Battle of the Books' form.

A View of Next Week:

BIBLE - Lesson 13 - Entering the Land - Quiz (Mon. May 6th)

MATH - Unit 7 Test (Mon. May 13th)

GRAMMAR - Unit 5 Modifiers (Adjectives & Adverbs)
Language B pg.'s 90-95 (due: Wednesday May 8th)

SPELLING - List 29 Test (Fri. May 10th)

MEDIA LITERACY: pg's.18-29 (due: Thurs. May 9th)

LANGUAGE - Novel Study: The City of Ember
Chapters 3-5 with answers (due: Thurs. May 9th)

SCIENCE - Matter Quiz (Tuesday May 7th)
Matter Poster (due: Tuesday May 14th)

SOCIAL STUDIES - Indigenous Canadians
Mini Museum Project (due: Mon. May 20th)
Bible Verse: Galatians 5:22-23 Test (Fri. May 10th)



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Grade 6

MR. ALBLAS

Next week, our students will have health classes during regular Gym class. Boys and girls will be separated as we discuss and learn about puberty and sexuality health related topics. Please take time to discuss this with your child over the weekend.

Here is what we hope to achieve this coming week:

Spelling: Week 30 Spelling List: This is a review week. 30 words will be selected from the past 100 words. **Test on Friday.**

Memory Verse: “But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.” Galatians 5:22-23

Reading: We will be doing a final reflection on the Bridge to Terabithia. We will watch the movie and compare it to the book on Wednesday. Student are welcome to bring snacks.

God’s Gift of Language: Our unit is on Pronouns. We will cover pages 174-184.

Bible: Our unit is Paul’s third missionary journey, based upon Acts 19-28. It will include: Paul, a Citizen of Rome, Paul before Felix and Festus, and Paul’s Journey to Rome.

Math: During the next couple of weeks we will embark upon a financial journey. We will be using <https://tvolearn.com/pages/grade-6-mathematics> to guide us. This week our focus will be: Budgeting, Interest and Interest rates and Saving, Charging Interest, Trading, and Lending and Borrowing.

Social Studies: We are exploring Canada and their global connections. This week we will be exploring groups for change in Canada (World Vision Canada, Friends of the Earth, and Indigenous Services Canada), In class project; Researching an NGO (Eg. Doctors without Borders, Free the children, Salvation Army, Ryan’s Well and many other possibilities.



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Grade 7

MS. VANDERSPEK

It has been very rainy the last few weeks and it is nice to see a break with warmer weather! Please note that there are many assignments and tests as we begin to finish up the year.

Just a reminder that the Grade 7 class will be starting their Sex and Sexuality Health Unit on Monday. A letter was sent home last week to give you a heads up on this unit. We are encouraging all parents to have “The Talk” with their child if they haven’t done so already. We believe your voice is important and your child should hear your heart on this topic. It will make things less uncomfortable for your child if they come to this week’s lessons prepared with your insights on this delicate topic.

Here’s what we are up to next week:

- **Math:** We finished our unit on percentages, decimals, and fractions this week. There will be a test on this unit on the 7th. We have started our next unit on integers and how to add and subtract them.
- **Language:** We have collected information and are working on our rough draft of our Biographies. We are finishing up our books next week and will begin work on our Book Reports. Expectations about these were handed out and posted in the classroom. Spelling words were handed out. Spelling work on these words which is due on the 10th. There will be a spelling test on these words on the 10th.
- **Geography:** We will continue to learn how rivers and oceans are changing. We will also look at how our needs and wants are creating an energy crisis.
- **Bible:** We are continuing to learn about the different genres of the Bible to understand the Bible better. Memory Work is Philippians 4:12-13
- **Science:** We have started our next unit on form and function. In this unit we will learn about structures and how they remain stable.
- **Art:** We have started our new art on pop art.

Upcoming Important Dates:

- May 7: Math Test: Working with Percents (Chapter 8)
- May 9: Science Quiz on Energy Sources
- May 16: Math Test: Integers (Chapter 9)
- May 20: Victoria Day (no school)
- May 28: Track & Field Day at York University
- May 30: Language Exam
- May 31: Math Exam (noon dismissal)
- June 5-7: Camp Mini-Yo-We



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Grade 8

MR. GREENWOOD

It is hard to believe that it is May already. Exams are on the horizon and we are starting to prepare for graduation celebrations. Please keep checking the upcoming activities for more details. This past week was heavy with assessments and May will likely be busy with a push to get ready for exams. Please keep checking in with your child to make sure they are keeping up with their work. Consent forms and payment for Camp Mini-Yo-We were due today. If that slipped your mind please send it into the office on Monday. Just a reminder that the Grade 8 class will be starting their Sex and Sexuality Health Unit on Monday. A letter was sent home last week to give you a heads up on this unit. We are encouraging all parents to have “The Talk” with their child if they haven’t done so already. We believe your voice is important and your child should hear your heart on this topic. It will make things less uncomfortable for your child if they come to this week’s lessons prepared with your insights on this delicate topic.

See below for this week’s highlights.

Science - We are finishing our unit on fluids under pressure. Next week we will start our last unit in Science as we look at how water affects our life on a daily basis.

Geography - We start Unit 4, learning about factors that contribute to quality of life.

Language - Students will complete the final drafts and illustrations for their children’s stories.

Tuesday is the Giver test on Chapters 1-12. Spelling test on Wednesday.

Math - Solving equations with Algebra Tiles. Unit 10 Test on Friday May 10.

Bible - Switch Video Series-Who is God Series? - Video # 4 - Forever Loved. Students will be presenting their memory verse on Monday (Mark 12:29-31).

Physical Education - Health - Sex and Sexuality

Upcoming Events:

- May 6 Bible Verse
- May 6 Trip payment was due May 3
- May 7 Giver Test (chapters 1-12)
- May 8 Spelling Test
- May 10 Photos Due for Grad Video (Due to Ms. Rossi)
- May 15 KCA Track Day Grade 4-8
- May 20 No School
- May 22 Grade 8 Class Grad Photo Shoot
- May 28 Track and Field at York University
- May 30 Language Exam 9:15 am
- May 31 Math Exam 10:00 - Grade 8 students no school in the afternoon.





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French

MME KANG

Looking for something new to try this summer? There are a variety of ways to enjoy French:

Family camps (check out <https://www.camplivingstone.ca/en/> in Quebec for a bilingual camp)

- Kids summer camps (<https://www.camptournesol.ca/> provides a bilingual camp for 4 year olds)
- French language camps (<https://www.alliance-francaise.ca/fr/education> offers a variety of programs in person and online for the whole family; <https://learningfrenchinquebec.com/> EduInter is a reputable language school offering camps)

Next week in class:

Grade 8 - In *Une excursion en famille* students will listen to classmates share their opinions and respectfully agree or disagree.

Grade 7 - Students will be beginning a new unit called *D'un océan à l'autre* in which they will learn about a variety of Francophone communities across Canada and compare First Nation and Métis cultural activities with their own.

Grade 6 - In the unit, *Euréka!* students will be reading examples of procedural writing and identifying its characteristics.

Grade 5 - Next week, students will begin a new unit called *Que C'est Bon* which invites students to discuss their preferences related to food, use different expressions of quantity, and plan a menu for a restaurant.

Grade 4 - In *Mystère* students will use clues to solve a variety of puzzles and discuss how they discovered their solution.

Grade 3 - Next week in *Gouttes de pluie* students will be reading what a variety of insects do in the rain and beginning to practice a puppet show re-enacting the story.

Kindergarten to Grade 2 - We will be learning about seasonal outdoor activities and sports.