NOVEMBER



Our character trait for the month is **Courage**. "Courage is what it takes to stand up and speak. Courage is also what it takes to sit down and listen." – Winston Churchill

Congratulations to October excellence assembly winners:

Kyla – Student Success

Makayla – School Leadership

Riley – Snowbird Citizenship

November learning

<u>Language</u>

Student of the Week presentations. The star student of the week is to prepare an oral presentation that is entirely reflective of the wonderful person they are and the events that helped to shape them. Their presentation will be supported by visual aids, such as photographs. The star student will be given their learning goal and success criteria checklist to follow as they prepare their presentation. Thank you to all of our star students that have presented so far!

Students wrote some really great reflective paragraphs about the things they are Thankful for. Marks will be sent home shortly. We will continue with our author study about Peter H. Reynolds. Students have formed questions to guide their research about "who is Peter H. Reynolds?" They have been using assistive technology to drag and drop research information into their smart ideas web of questions. Next, they will be putting together their project, using Pixie, which will allow them to create a slideshow or mini movie about their study on Peter H. Reynolds.

Students will be focusing on reading comprehension strategies as we read together and as they read independently. They will also answer questions posted on our classroom Kidblog and Padlet pages, that correlate with the comprehension strategies we are focusing on. We have been involved in the Global Read Aloud project. Students have listened to read alouds from the author Peter H. Reynolds. Check out the Global Read Aloud tab on my teacher page!

How can you help? Encourage your child to participate in reading every night for a minimum of 20 minutes. Your child should read something they are interested in that is at their level of reading. Students have a Raz-Kids account, where they can access many different "just right" books. They should also be answering the quiz to check their understanding of the text.

<u>Math</u>

In November we will be focusing on measurement and data management. Now that students have an understanding of decimals, we will relate what we have learned to measurement (example: 150 cm is also 1.5m). Check out some of the pictures of student work that are posted on my home page.

How can you help? Build positive attitudes about math, as children who feel positively engaged are more likely to stick with an activity. Encourage your child to take part in every day activities that involve mathematics (making purchases, measuring ingredients, counting, measuring and calculating the area of a room). Encourage your child to talk about math. When you and your child are trying to solve a problem, have your child share his or her thinking aloud and talk about the strategies that he or she used to reach a solution. Play math games at home with your child.

Science and Social Studies

Mr. Sallie will be covering science and social studies. Students will go to his room (213).

Important dates for November: Nov. 4 - Photo Retakes Nov. 11 - Remembrance Day Service, 10:15am Nov. 12 - Pita Lunch, Caribou Math Contest Nov. 17-21 - Bully Awareness Week Nov. 19 - Progress Reports Go Home Nov. 20 - Student Led Conferences (end at 8pm) Nov. 21 - PA Day, Conferences (am) Nov. 26 - Pizza Lunch Nov. 28 - Excellence Assembly, pm

If you have any questions, comments or concerns please don't hesitate to contact me!

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