



Angus McKay School

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Principal's Report December 6, 2023

December Overview

- Mrs. Ens, our Teacher Librarian, has been Coding with all of our classes. Coding is like a set of instructions that we create for things like computers and machines to perform tasks. Students are really enjoying this introduction to the world of coding. We had a visitor join us this week. (Thank you to Angus parent Rob Penner, who shared some of his knowledge about Coding and its application in the “real world” with our Grade 3-5 students).
- Other partnerships this past week have included a Fire Fighter visit in Grade 2, and U of M Science student visits in Grades 4 and 5 who led students through eye dissections and owl pellet dissections.
- Today after school, we held our monthly staff meeting. Staff are currently working toward revising our collective Literacy Beliefs, and planning for a whole school project that we plan to roll out in February or March.
- Our week-long Fubuki Daiko Drumming Workshop begins on Monday. Things kick off with a performance for the whole school on Monday morning from this talented group of Japanese Taiko drummers. Ms. Schroeder has put together a schedule for the week where the group will teach the kids the skills, techniques and songs. Families are invited to a culminating performance in our Gym on Friday, December 15th at 2:15.
- Our Lunch Program committee has purchased a new batch of snow shovels, and a fleet of toboggan sleds for our students to use at recess time. We look forward to a little bit of snow so we can put these new items to use!
- Our Lunch Supervisor staff is also expanding thanks to the wonderful response we have had from the great big neon sign. We've now got 7 or 8 people who are new to our team.
- Our Student Leadership Team is in the midst of planning for a Winter Spirit Week. More information about that will be shared soon with students and families.
- The last day of classes before the Winter Break is on Friday, December 22. As always, students will be dismissed one hour early that day.

Respectfully Submitted-
Bailey McIntyre, Principal