



Angus McKay School

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Principal's Report

Wednesday February 2, 2022

1. Welcome two teacher candidates that are working with our students: Alexa Popovich in grade 5 with Ms. Laurin Clark and Robbie Fordyce working in the Gym with Mrs. Treffner
2. Welcome back Mr. Caithness
3. COVID – presumed positive cases and absentee rates will be reported to parents on a weekly basis. We can only report cases that parents/guardians tell us about. At this time the E Memo has been replaced by a weekly email, important dates etc will be included in that email.
4. I Love to Read month – thank you Mrs. Morris for planning and working with our Leadership students!
 - We have a calendar of activities, including - Read a T-shirt day, Hats off to reading, Jets/Bombers spirit day, and Cuddle up with a good book day
 - There will be Drop Everything and Read once a week – the whole school will be reading
 - There is a reading challenge that involves the principal doing something ridiculous if they make it
 - The Leadership team are making video announcements that will be put on the class Teams site to encourage reading and remind students of the events
5. Black History Month
 - We will be highlighting some important Black Canadians over the announcements
 - Teachers are reading books/doing a variety of activities in classrooms
6. Festival du Voyageur
 - Grade 4's and 5's will have some virtual workshops and do some crafting put on by the Festival: Business of the Fur Trade and Unseen Labour – Indigenous Women and the Fur Trade
7. Olympics
 - Mrs. Treffner is planning gym classes that focus on some of the Olympic games
 - She will be doing outdoor and indoor activities, discussing the winter sports and including discussions of the countries participating
8. Valentine's Day
 - We are able to exchange valentines this year



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- Teachers will be asking students to hand sanitize and distance when they are handing them out
- No group snacks or food to be given out, but students will be invited to bring a special snack – information to come from individual teachers

9. Polar Bear Club

- A small but hearty group of students have been enjoying going out for recess on the minus 28 degree or colder days
- During the long recess at lunch they stay in – reading and writing club for grades 3-5 has been running, and lunch supervisors are having classes do walking club in the Gym

10. Professional Development Day – February 4th

- Classroom teachers are participating in a book study, discussion and applying strategies from the book: *Becoming the Math Teacher You Wish You'd Had* by Tracy Johnston Zager
- Specialists and Educational Assistants are reading *One Without the Other* by Shelley Moore. This book discusses inclusion and how important it is that all voices and students are part of the community of learners

Respectfully submitted,

Lorilee Woelcke

Principal