

## **Angus McKay School**

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## Principal's Report February 7, 2024

## February Overview

- Our entire staff engaged in a very meaningful day of professional learning on February 2<sup>nd</sup> called Together We Journey Toward Reconciliation. We spent the day at CMMC with eight other schools from RETSD. We listened to and learned from Dr. Niigaan Sinclair, and from Chief Cadmus Delorme, about Indigenous education, and how we can continue to propel this work forward.
- Teachers continue to offer a host of clubs for students to participate in at morning, lunch and afternoon recess times.
- Today we celebrated Global Play Day. Students were able to connect across the building, and across Grade levels, for two one hour blocks of unstructured play. It was an excellent experience!
- February is I Love to Read month. We have shared our calendar for the month with families, and we have at least one guest reader visiting at least one classroom on most of the school days in February!
- To celebrate Black History Month, we have selected some high impact books for class read aloud time. Each class will be learning about and showcasing at least one prominent person and their accomplishment(s) on our collaborative bulletin boards by the end of this month.
- Grade 1-5 Teachers will be engaging in three half-day Math Residencies throughout the month. Teachers will watch our divisional Early Years Consultants teaching problem solving in an early years classroom, with time to debrief before and after. We'll be engaging in this work with five other schools from across the division.
- We have received a retirement notice from Margaret Hiebert, one of our amazing Educational Assistants. Margaret will be retiring at the end of this school year and will certainly be missed in our building.
- Kindergarten registration begins on March 1<sup>st</sup> across RETSD. Families must register students at their catchment school. It helps us to anticipate numbers when families register as close to March 1<sup>st</sup> as they are able.

Respectfully Submitted-Bailey McIntyre, Principal

