











WHAT'S UP at DOC?



Dr. F.W.L. Hamilton School e-memo

Date	School Day	
Monday, October 21	3 	Grade 5 Dr. Dodgeball at Lunch Recess
Tuesday, October 22	4 	Kinder Flashlight Reading at First & Last Recess Grade 5 Coding Club at Lunch Recess
Wednesday, October 23	5 	Kinder Flashlight Reading at First & Last Recess Grade 4 & 5 Volleyball at Lunch Recess
Thursday, October 24	6 	HOT LUNCH Grade 3 Bench Pins at Last Recess (Gym) PAC Halloween Family Fun Night!!!
Friday, October 25	1 	MTS PD Day: NO SCHOOL for STUDENTS

Date	School Day	
Monday, October 28	2 	Kinder & Grade 1 Halloween Stories at First & Last Recess Grade 5 Coding Club at Lunch Recess Grade 2 Bench Pins at Last Recess (Gym)
Tuesday, October 29	3 	Grade 4 & 5 Volleyball at Lunch Recess
Wednesday, October 30	4 	Halloween Gym Grade 2 & 3 Halloween Stories at First & Last Recess Grade 5 Coding Club at Lunch
Thursday, October 31	5 	Halloween Gym Students Can Dress Up for Halloween in the Afternoon Halloween Assembly/Parade at 1:30 (Families Welcome)
Friday, November 1	6 	

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

- November 5 Kinder Pictures and Whole School Re-Take Day
- November 8 Remembrance Day Service at 9:30 a.m. – Families are Welcome
- November 11 Remembrance Day: **NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS & STAFF**
- November 14 & 18 Vision & Hearing Screening for K, 1, 3 & 5 (Tentative Dates)
- November 22 Staff Professional Learning Day: **NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS**

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PAC NEWS

PAC will be hosting Halloween Family Fun Night on Thursday, October 24th!!!

Access this link if you would like to volunteer ... <https://volunteersignup.org/YJAAA>



Follow the Dr. Hamilton PAC Instagram account for updates! [drflwhamiltonpac](https://www.instagram.com/drflwhamiltonpac)

Join us for our next PAC meeting of the 2024-2025 school year:

Tuesday, November 12th at 6:00 p.m. in the Library!

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HALLOWEEN at DR. HAMILTON

Even School Day Kindergarten students are welcome to bring costumes to school if they choose to on Wednesday, October 30th. They will be doing some Halloween-themed learning and a small parade that day!

Kindergarten-Grade 5 students can bring costumes to school on Thursday, October 31st. We will give children time to dress in their costumes after the Lunch Recess. Students will gather in the Gym at 1:30 for an Assembly and Halloween Parade that Mrs. Baseraba and Mrs. Derksen's Grade 5 class will lead! Families are welcome to join us.

Please ensure you consider the following guidelines when choosing a costume:

- Costumes should allow for free and comfortable movement at school
- No one's culture or identity should be used as a costume
- Avoid weapons and masks that cover the whole face
- "Accessories" can be left in classrooms so that they do not get lost during the day



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FALL WEATHER CLOTHING REMINDERS

As we move into some cooler and potentially wet fall weather, please ensure students are bringing warm clothing to school including jackets, mitts/gloves, toques, rubber boots. etc. ***Having an extra pair of pants and socks at school is VERY helpful! Labeling clothing with your child's name is helpful too.***

Our goal is to have kids outside for recess as often as possible, even when it gets a little wet. ☺

CELLPHONE GUIDELINE UPDATE

This letter is a follow-up to the divisional one sent prior to the beginning of the school year regarding the new cellphone guidelines established by the Government of Manitoba. These guidelines refer to any personal devices that can be used to connect to the internet (e.g., smartwatches, tablets, cellphones, laptops).

As a reminder:

- Schools with kindergarten to Grade 8 students will be personal-electronic-device-free zones.
- Students in Grades 9–12 will be able to use their personal electronic devices for instructional purposes in class when directed by a teacher, and during breaks and lunch.
- Staff will model responsible personal electronic device use for students by thoughtfully limiting the use of such devices to school-related matters while in the learning environment.

Manitoba Education and Early Childhood Learning has published the following Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) regarding the cellphone guidelines: [Guidelines for Cell Phone Use—FAQ](#)

We would like to thank all the students, families, and staff who have worked together to respond to these new guidelines. While the impact on our early years schools has been minimal, awareness of these guidelines is important to support students across our division. Teaching and learning about being a responsible digital citizen will continue in all grades and classes. Our schools have access to a variety of technologies that support students in being creators, designers, and critical thinkers.

As partners in your children's education, the conversations that you have at home are crucial in that teaching and learning. Here are some resources that may be helpful:

[Helping Kids Get a Healthy Start with Phones](#)

[Helping Young Kids Get a Healthy Start with Devices](#)

Please contact the school if you have any questions about the guidelines.

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VISION & HEARING SCREENING VOLUNTEER REQUEST

Vision and Hearing Screening takes place in November for students in Kindergarten, Grade 1, 3 and 5. Our tentative dates are November 14th and 18th, though these are still subject to change.

We are hoping that **two parent volunteers** may be able to assist us with this process. The role involves acting as a “runner” to get students from their classes and into the spaces where the screening will take place.

Please call the school or email me, (Bailey McIntyre), if you would like to help us out!
bmcintyre@retsd.mb.ca

SOME CALENDAR DATES from the GYM

We would like to share some dates, (and approximate dates), for divisional athletic events that take place throughout the school year. Some dates are still in question and all may be subject to change.

Because several of the events run over a number of days, it takes time to decide upon which day each school will participate. We will share solidified information as we receive it!

RETSO ATHLETIC EVENTS

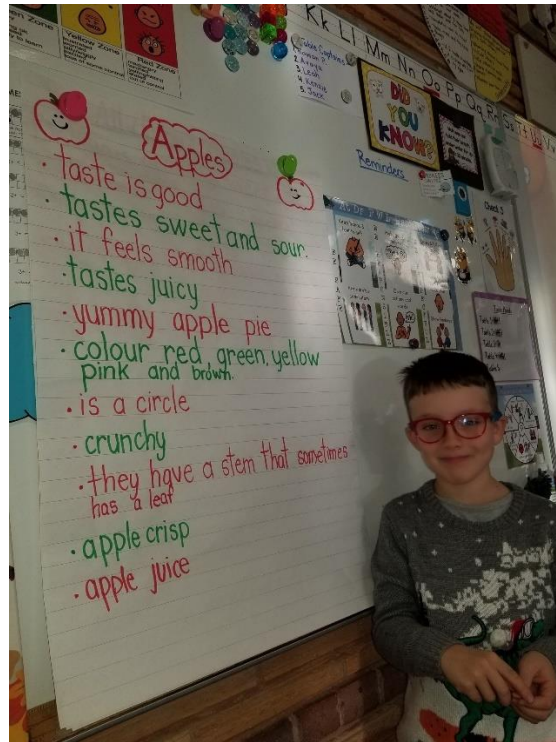
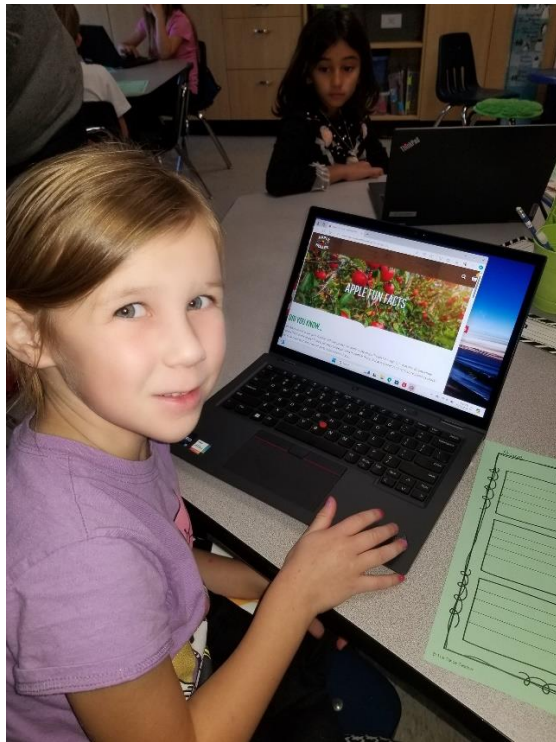
Grade 4 & 5 Volleyball	Likely in November (Date TBA)
Grade 3-5 Tumbling Rally	March 17 or 18
Grade 4 & 5 Basketball	Runs March – May (Event Date TBD)
Grade 4 Handball Event	April 29
Grade 5 Handball Event	April 30
Grade 1-3 Folkdance at the Park	May 14 (Rain Date May 21)
Grade 5 Track & Field	May 30 (Rain Date in June TBA)
Grade 4 Soccer	June 11 (Rain Date June 17)
Dr. Hamilton School Field Day	June 12

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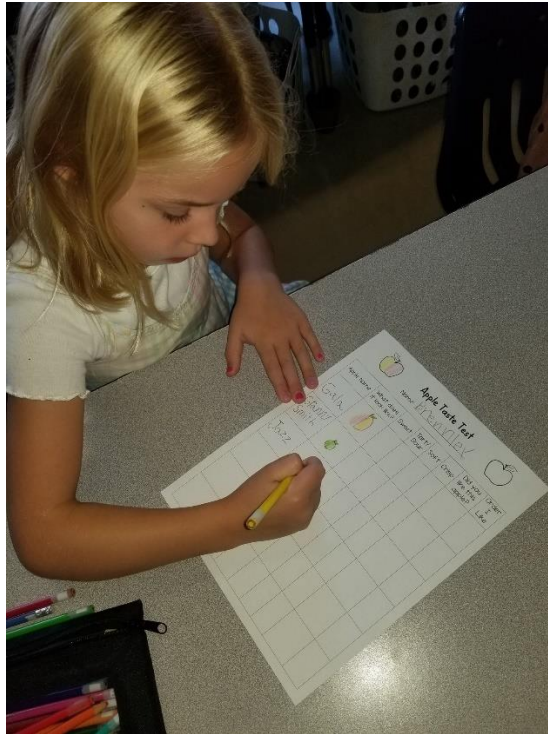
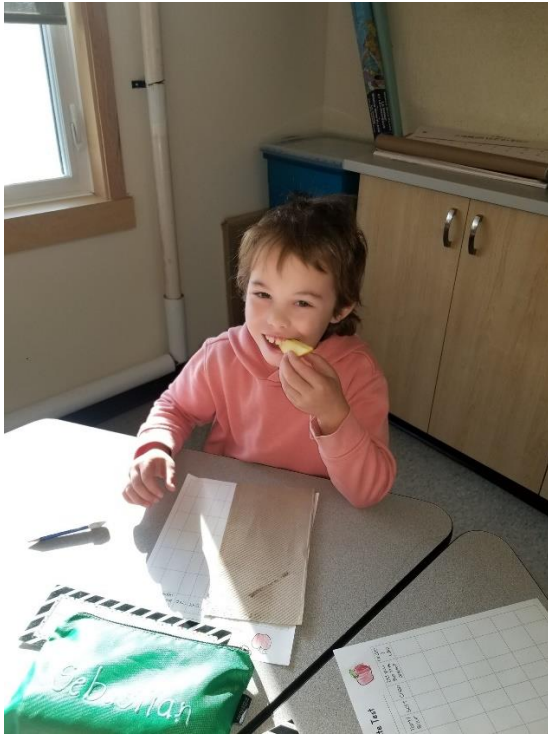
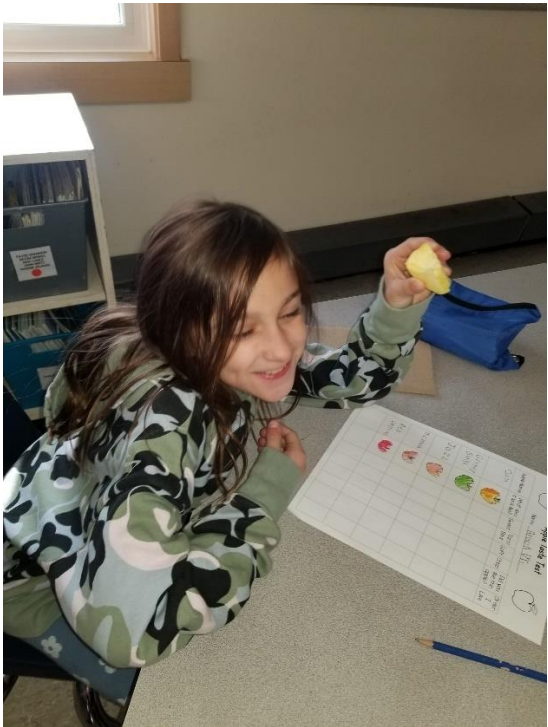


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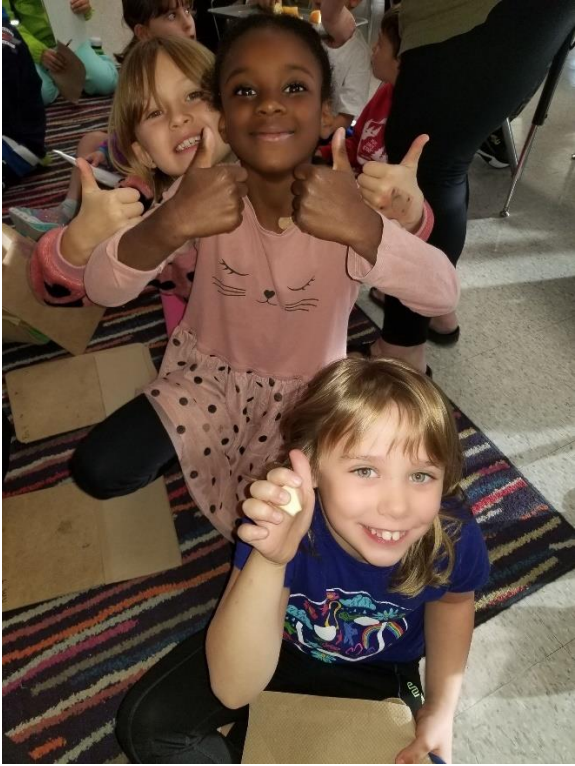
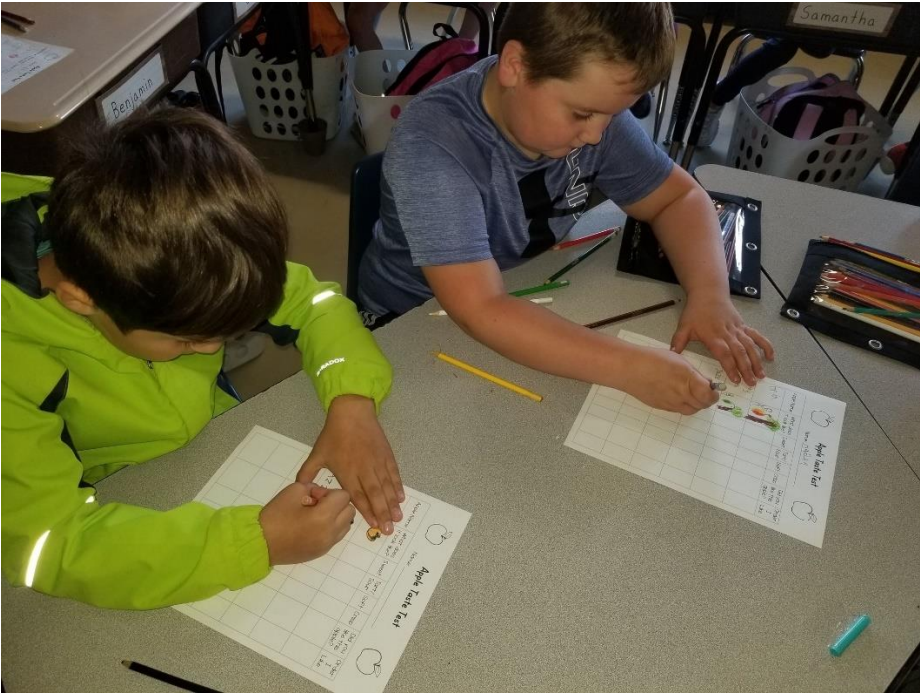
Ms. Ducharme and Ms. Anderlic's Grade 2 & 3 Classes have been investigating the life cycles and physical properties of apples. In this thematic study, they are exploring where in the world apples grow best, doing math with apples, forming opinions about apples, and creating writing pieces to share what they discover. Here is a "taste" of their learning ...



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Please phone the school at any time with any questions you may have!