

# Grade 4/5 Newsletter

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## Language & The Arts

This month students will continue on persuasive writing, as well as complete their short mystery story of an excerpt from the Harris Burdick collection. With our class read aloud/novel study book, *Tuck Everlasting* coming to an end, we will get to watch the movie adaptation and compare book and movie, right before March break. As always, we will continue to work on reading comprehension, spelling and grammar as well. In art, we will be creating some graphing art and putting on our architect hats to do so with creating villages on paper. In music, we will continue our study on notation.

## Mathematics

In math, we will continue to work on Geometry (symmetry, quadrilaterals, angles, reflections, translations, identifying triangles, etc.) before stepping into Patterning and Algebra (understanding variables such as  $3 + X = 5$  (X would be 2), extend and create patterns using tables and drawings, etc.) Please keep an eye out in the agenda for important quiz and test dates.

## Science

The grade 4's will continue to work with Mrs. Wilson on Light and Sound, and grade 5's will continue to work on Properties of and Changes in Matter, and then will shift into looking at energy and the conservation of energy.

## Phys. Ed

We will be wrapping up our 21-tournament this month and will continue to work on some team games such as Flicker Ball.

## Upcoming Events

**Mar. 2:** Angles Quiz

**Mar. 6:** Scholastic Book Orders due

**Mar. 13:** Skating (*tentative- see note under Notes and Reminders*)

**Mar. 16-20:** March Break (enjoy!)

## Notes & Reminders:

- **Skating:** Please note: if the government and ETFO have reached an agreement by March 9th (fingers crossed) we will proceed with the last skating trip. If not, money will be reimbursed by the office.
- Supplies: many students are finding their individual supplies are dwindling. Many are in daily need of pencils. Please check in with your child to see if this is him or her.
- With the winter weather here, please make sure your child has a pair of **indoor shoes** to change into. Our floor & carpet gets messy otherwise.
- Gym is on Days 3&5- students must have appropriate footwear at school to participate (safety first!)
- Please check your child's **agenda** nightly for new and important information.
- Refillable **water bottles** are **highly** recommended. Students will not be permitted to keep open canisters on their desks.