

Good morning!

It is hard to believe it, but we have already begun our journey into Advent as we prepare for our celebration of Christmas. Our class has been working hard and learning new things, and we will continue to do so with a spring in our step as we await this special time of year.

Though we miss the Grade 5s being in our class with us, we have seized the opportunity and extra classroom space to get into some fun physically distanced drama activities - with the extra room the students have been able to fully explore the space around them.

Our understanding of the new math curriculum has been getting better with each passing day. We are now exploring the question "How much is that?" by learning new strategies for improving our skills with multiplication and division.

In French class, Mme Savoie and I have been regularly meeting with our small guided reading groups and students have really begun to show improvement in their French literacy skills. Starting next week, we will be working on writing our very own French autobiographies.

In Science, we are beginning to explore light and sound, and in Social Studies we are exploring the physical and political regions in Canada. We have learned about the people and resources in the Canadian Shield and will soon move on to the Great Lakes Basin.

Art class has been going swimmingly and we will be completing our Picasso self-portraits with focus on warm and cool colours as well as lines.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me.

I wish everyone a very happy and blessed Advent season.

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