



## What's the Scoop?

### November 2020 Newsletter

#### **Administration Message:**

November seemed to really fly by! We hope everyone enjoyed the extended break in November, a time to relax, recharge and spend time with family. Now that our first quarter of our year is complete, we can look back at all that we have accomplished, especially in these times of uncertainty.

We conducted our first round of Parent Teacher interviews via google meet or phone calls. We appreciate everyone's willingness to connect through technology and take a few moments to share how your child is doing in class and at school. We know that this is one way that we can continue to work collaboratively with our families, but don't hesitate to call or email your teacher or the admin team at school if you have any questions or concerns throughout the year. We WISH we could welcome you in person as a visitor or volunteer, but we continue to follow the enhanced guidelines outlined by our [NGPS COVID 19 Handbook](#).

During the month of December, we will recognise the importance of Honesty. We will be sharing with all students the importance of being honest with ourselves and speaking our truth in all aspects of our lives. Honesty also means having integrity. We want our students to know that we need to be honest in both our words and our actions. Take time at home to discuss times when you demonstrated honesty and integrity. We know by sharing our experiences and modeling these character traits at home and school, our students will be more successful.

In light of the government's announcement on November 24th, our grade sevens will move to online learning starting Nov 30 through to January 8th. We will be working closely with the students and their families to make sure they have everything they need to continue their learning.

All K-7 classes will be at home the week of January 4th to 8th, for at home learning. I know our Superintendent's office is working quickly to provide further direction to all schools in order to make this as seamless and successful as possible. Please continue to check your email and our website for further information. I cannot stress enough that if you do have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Damery or myself at 780-967-5209. Our staff is fully committed to working with you to make sure our students stay connected and feel supported during this time.

Jody Beck & Stephanie Damery

#### **Welcoming, Caring, Respectful and Safe Learning Environments**

##### ***Did you know?***

We have been very fortunate to receive support from Lac Ste Anne County Family & Community Support Services. The first grant was to support Child and Youth programming; for a presentation to students. While this grant was intended to support whole school presentation(s), with the health guidelines in place, we had to get a little creative. While still keeping with the intent of the grant and recognising the importance of health and wellness, we were able to arrange for Action Potential Fitness presenter Zita Dube-Lockhart to provide a PD session for teachers during our staff development day and she will also be conducting grade level sessions for all classes. These hour long demos will be on November 30 and December 1. It is a great way to support fitness and wellness through music, movement and dance (with drumsticks!). We also received an additional

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grant from Lac Ste Anne County FCSS to support our physical education, wellness and sports, so we purchased Buddha Boards (drawing boards to promote calm, creativity and relaxation) and cross nets (four square volleyball). We want to thank Lac Ste Anne County FCSS for their ongoing support!

### November Highlights

#### Humility



[www.yourdictionary.com](http://www.yourdictionary.com)

Letting someone ahead of you in line when you see they are in a hurry is an act of humility. Cleaning the bathroom of your office, even though you own the company, is an example of humility. ... An athlete who credits his success to his teammates, even though he has great skill, shows humility. The **definition** of **humility** is the **feeling or attitude** that you have no special importance that makes you better than anyone else.

Our Gr. 7 Tech Team has captured examples of humility and created a video to share with students and families. [Humility Video](#)



Kindergarten Angels



Grade 1 Gym

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Remembrance Day Art Work



Grade 4 Activities

### IMPORTANT DATES:

**SANG Stuff a truck campaign runs from November 23rd to December 4th**

### OES spirit days for December:

**December 14th door decorating contest**  
**December 15th virtual visit (via google meets) with the folks at the Chateau**  
**December 16th Holiday Sweater Contest**  
**December 17th Virtual lunch day with different classes**  
**December 18th Pyjamas day**

