

May 2023



Finale Dance at the Spring Musical

Spring Musical

Recently CG premiered our Spring Musical called "Everyone is Welcome." The theme was about showing the acceptance of differences. The script was written and performed by our very own CG students.

Every class from grades 1-6 performed in the musical with their own song and theme.

The Early Learning classes pre-recorded a song that was included in the show.

We held two performances, a matinee and an evening show, and both were very well attended.

The CG students did an amazing job in all areas from writing it, to being amazing backstage helpers. Also a heartfelt congratulations to our music teacher Ms. Power for directing the musical and making it truly come to life.

Grade 3/4 Bowling Team

In a first of its kind for FMPD, Christina Gordon is happy to have been able to establish a recreational bowling team for grades 3 and 4. Dozens of students showed interest in the team back in the spring, which led to the formation of two teams of about 30 kids each. Both teams enjoy weekly bowling trips for five weeks in order to Sharpen the Saw. So far this has been a great pilot project and we are looking forward to continuing it next year!



Upcoming Dates

- June 1: Family Movie Night
- June 7: Parent Council Meeting
- June 9: Popcorn Day
- June 12: Evergreen Theatre
- June 16: Early Learning Bike Rodeo
- June 19-23: Pride Week
- June 21: Year End BBQ
- June 26: Grade 6 Farewell
- June 27: KG Grad
- June 29: Awards Assembly



Students Jackson, Mannat, Kylie, Emily, Henisha and Carrigan represented our school in April during the Spotlight on Students Segment of the April Board of Trustees meeting. Students shared about a variety of leadership groups that have been re-launched this year as a part of our Leader in Me program.

Leader In Me Highlight

Habit 5: Seek First to Understand, Then to Be Understood is the habit of listening to other people's ideas and feelings. It's trying to see things from their viewpoints and listening without interrupting. At CG, we practice this Habit by engaging in whole-body listening; which means we listen with our eyes, ears and heart. We don't just listen to respond. We also can practice this habit at school and in the community by being confident in voicing our ideas through leadership and participation.

Multicultural Night



Multicultural night was an amazing success. Families sampled foods from all around the world, like samosas, perogies, spring rolls, pancit, and tamales. There were also performances including dancing and instruments.

A highlight of the event loved by all attendees were parent volunteers who did Henna. Students were also able to learn about Chinese tea, calligraphy, and oragami. Pictured above are Mannat and Amol Waraich who performed traditional Indian dancing.



On Saturday, April 29th, we had the pleasure of hosting our parent volunteers for brunch. Our heartfelt appreciation goes out to all of our fantastic volunteers who give so generously of their time to enrich the lives of our students!

"The happiest people are not those getting more, but those giving more." — H. Jackson Brown Jr.

Robotics

Robotics has 30 students from grades 4-6 and is made up of 6 teams. Teams are using Lego Spike kits to build robots.

Students are also learning computer coding skills to complete tasks using motors and sensors (touch sensors, color sensors, and speakers). The district tournament is on Saturday, June 3rd - where schools from all over the public division will compete for different awards.

Best of luck to our teams, as well as our coaches Mr Rutledge, Ms Barrington and Mr Deveau!



7 Sacred Teachings

In the Seven Sacred Teachings, legend tells that long ago a giant named Kitch-Sabe walked among the people. It protected the land by appearing when the Earth is being misused.

The height of Kitch-Sabe made them closest to the creator above, and they walked among the people to remind them to be honest to the laws of the creator and to be honest with each other. They are a reminder that one who is honest can walk tall, feeling proud of who they are.

Being honest means taking responsibility for your actions, and doing what you know is right, even when no one is looking! Follow your conscience and do what you know is right. Live with a clear heart and mind, feel proud and stand tall like the sabe!

Fundraising Council

Popcorn days have raised over \$5000 this year for events and resources for our school. Volunteers are needed for upcoming days. Please sign up here <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080b44aeab2cabfc1-popcorn2#/>



2023-2024 Registration

If you are planning to return next year, please complete the form today!
<https://www.fmpsdschools.ca/registration>



Students sold tickets for Best Seat In The House at the Spring Musical, benefitting Hoop Heroes, a local non-profit that provides basketball fun and instruction for students with special needs. Almost \$700 in donations were raised.

Leadership Spotlight: Gardening Leaders

Gardening club is one of Christina Gordon's biggest clubs! There are 72 students involved with 7 staff members and 2 parent volunteers helping to run it! The students in gardening club are planting vegetables and flowers in the garden beside the school. In front of the school, the students are helping to take care of the tulips and sow some Native Plants. Christina Gordon Fundraising Association gave bought the garden club some tools as well as 4 berry bushes to plant around the school yard. We are looking forward to beautifying the school!



Student Contributors

This month we are excited to welcome several students to our CG News family. In this leadership group, these junior reporters will help decide what topics to include, as well as collect stories and pictures for publishing.

Emily J - Grade 6K

Carrigan F - Grade 6K

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