

November 2023



*Students from grades 4-6 took part in the first Dene Hand Games tournament of this school year. They had a great time and are looking forward to several more tournaments this year.*

## Science Family Night

For our second family night of the year, CG was happy to once again partner with APEGA. The night featured a variety of stations on circuits, chemistry, cryptography, computer science, and aerodynamics, among others. The evening also featured several prize draws, both from APEGA and from the school. The event was very well attended, with over 80 families in attendance. Our next family night will be Literacy Night in January. Stay tuned for more details!



*Students make biodegradable plastic at a chemistry station.*

## Inclusion Committee Hosts Two Successful Events

The 2nd Annual Inclusion Fair hosted by the CG Inclusion Advisory Committee was held on October 28th. We had 22 vendors attend who provide services to families with additional needs. We also had over 100 people from the community attend. It was a great networking opportunity to learn about services in the RMWB. The kids really enjoyed Trick-or-treating with AAC and there were over 30 door prizes donated as well.

The CG Inclusion Advisory Committee also hosted their first AAC (Augmentative and Alternative Communication) Mini Camp on Nov. 8th, with Speech and Language Pathologists Suzanne Hedd and Alana Keoughan. We had 9 families from FMPSD attend and they enjoyed exploring their communication devices while participating in sensory, literacy, gross motor and music activities.

## Upcomming Dates

Dec 1 - hot lunch order open for January  
 Dec 5 - Habit 2 Assembly  
 Dec 6 - popcorn orders due  
 Dec 8 - popcorn day  
 Dec 12 - Grades 1 and 2 Christmas concert 6pm  
 Dec 13 - Grades 3-6 Christmas concert 6pm  
 Dec 14 - ECDP and KG concerts at 9am & 1:30 pm  
 Dec 15 - PLF  
 Dec 20 - hot lunch orders close  
 Dec 22 - No School Winter break begins



*Students had a great time rollin' around the gym during the recent Alien Inline Skating residency. This event was made possible by the generous support of our CG Fundraising Association. Students and families will get another chance to rock thier skills when the Aliens land again for our family night in March.*

## #CGCares

In October, CG students made cards for patients at the Fort McMurray Community Cancer Centre. Thanks again to everyone for all their hard work! The final cards were so cute, and much appreciated by staff.



## Spirit Week

Our first Spirit Week of the year will run from Dec 18-21. We will be collecting food bank donations during the week as part of our #CGCares program.



## Leader In Me Highlight

Habit 1: Be Proactive, is all about taking charge. Proactive individuals chart their own course and are accountable for their outcomes. Rather than reacting to situations as they arise, proactive people remain calm and consider things in advance. At school, we encourage students to embody this habit through age-appropriate actions that enable them to take responsibility for themselves and the world around them. This includes making wise choices, even when no one is watching!



*CG students are being proactive by making props and rehearsing for our Christmas concerts.*

## Girls Volleyball

The Girls' volleyball season has wrapped up, with a tournament at WGH on Nov 18. The girls did extremely well, winning all of their qualifying games, but lost during the medal rounds. Nevertheless, they had an excellent season and built some great skills that they will get to use again next year. Congrats to all teammates on a season well-played!

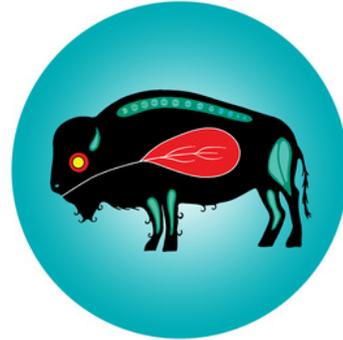


## Buddy Class Math Carnival

Grade 5N ran a math carnival for their grade 1 buddy class, with all kinds of cool handmade objects that the buddies could shop for including fidgets, bracelets, art, and much more! Each buddy had a budget that they could spend at various shops, and they could even hire a personal shopper. This was an excellent art-math integrated activity, and a great way to have fun with some real-world learning!



*Poppies adorned our hallways in November leading up to our Remembrance Day ceremony.*



## 7 Sacred Teachings

The Importance of Respect is symbolized by the Buffalo. Respect is a crucial value that entails treating others with kindness, listening to their perspective, and considering their well-being. This principle encourages us to treat others as we would want to be treated ourselves. It's never acceptable to intentionally disrespect others or hurt their feelings. The Buffalo represents the value of respect because it provided Indigenous people with food, shelter, clothing, and medicine. Indigenous people respected all living things, particularly the buffalo, by acknowledging its sacrifice, using every part of the animal, and only taking what they needed. By honoring and valuing all living creatures and our environment, we demonstrate respect.

## Leadership Spotlight: Indoor Lunch Leaders

November saw the launch of the Indoor Lunch Leaders group, with about 16 participants. After receiving training with Heather Rumball from Keyano College, these student leaders from grades 4-6 will be responsible for running games and activities in the gym for other classes during indoor recesses.



*Tis the season for concerts. Mark your calendars for the dates below and follow our facebook page for events on fundraisers and draws!*



## New Options Program

This year at CG we have an exciting new addition to our Division 2 programming. Once a cycle for an hour block, we are offering options classes to our students. In the fall, students had the choice of over a dozen different classes and were able to select their top 3 choices. Based on popularity, we ended up with 8 classes in a variety of topic areas including: yoga, art, outdoor education, cooking, technology education and strategy games. So far this has been extremely successful, and students really enjoy exploring learning in their new topic areas.



*Students take part in strategy games (above) and cooking class (below).*

