



May 2024



Some of the many traditional clothing worn by students for Multicultural Day.

#### **Multicultural Night**

Multicultural night was an amazing success. Families sampled foods from all around the world, like samosas, perogies, spring rolls, flan, chilli, and tamales. There were also performances including Highland, Indian and Zulu dancing. During the school day, students were able to take part in a number of different stations where they listened to music and did crafts from around the world! The highlight of the day was our flag parade in the gym which all classes participated in with the flag of their choice.



#### **Roots of Empathy**

Roots Of Empathy programs are wrapping up for the 2023-2024 school year. Our Tiny Teachers: Baby Beau and Baby Flora, have taught us so much about kindness, temperament, humanity, differences, development and commonality, as we have watched their growth from around the Green Blanket. Thank you to our two families for joining with Grade Four, so we can see how "Love Grows Brains."







#### **Upcoming Dates**

- June 8 robotics tournament
- June 10 library books returned
- June 12 year-end BBQ
- June 14 talent show
- June 17 Eid
- June 19 grade 1 waterpark
- June 20 early learning waterpark
- June 20 grade 3/4B and 3Pa field trip
- June 24 KG grad
- June 24 Grade 6 farewell
- June 24 Grade 3 Waterpark
- June 25 grade 6 movie trip
- June 25 triple I mac island
- June 26 awards assembly and bubble send off

#### Leader In Me Highlight

Habit 6 is to Synergize. This means "two heads are better than one." Synergize is when people work together in a creative and helpful way. It's about teamwork, being open-minded, and finding new solutions to old problems. But it doesn't just happen by itself; it's a process where people share their experiences and skills.

When people work together, they can do much better than they could alone. Synergy helps us discover things together that we probably wouldn't find out by ourselves. It's the idea that working together makes us stronger and more creative. One plus one can equal three, six, or even more! When people really work together and listen to each other, they start to understand new things. They can come up with new ideas much faster because they think differently.

#### Girls at Bat Program Wraps Up

Girls At Bat sponsored by the Jays Care program, is an introductory level baseball program designed to reduce some of the barriers anyone identifying as a girl may face when accessing or participating in sport. Girls At Bat creates spaces that empower and centre the leadership and voices of girls and provide opportunities for them to learn and play sports amongst a resilient and inclusive community. The program changes the game for girls by focusing on four key pillars: connection, courage, leadership, and love of sport. The program is implemented by schools and community organizations with the goal of increasing participation and retention in sport and play. CG was super excited to host this program under the direction of Ms Greatrix. It recently wrapped up after running over 2 months.









#### **Heart Garden**

Project of Heart is a collaborative learning project that allows students and teachers to examine the history and legacy of residential schools in Canada. Its purpose is to draw attention and acknowledgement to the extent of the loss of lives of former students. The Heart Garden is a way to commemorate the lives of the thousands of Indigenous children who lost their lives at residential schools. Project of Heart's goal is to draw Canadians attention to these atrocities, and seek ways to reconcile the wrongdoings of the past.





Spring is a popular time to learn about life cycles. Several classes have been caring for butterflies and tadpoles this month.



#### **7 Sacred Teachings**

In the 7 Sacred Teachings, truth is symbolized by the turtle. The Truth teaching is symbolized by the Turtle because the turtle is slow and careful in life, which are important qualities to learn, speak, and live truthfully. It is believed that the turtle was the first creature created on Earth, and therefore witnessed the creation of the sacred teachings. This is why it holds the truth and wisdom of all the teachings.

The teaching tells us that there are different ways to live truthfully. There is no one right way to live. There are many paths in life. What is right for you, may be wrong for another, yet both can be true. This means that there are many paths in life, all which can lead to the same place of happiness. You just have to find the right and truthful path for you.





#### Heritage Village Visit

Grade 5K visited Heritage Village in May, taking part in the "Fort of the Forks" program. They learned about Fort McMurray's history and participated in a fur trade simulation.





Garden Club has begun again for the spring, with Grade 1s participating on Tuesdays and Grade 2s on Thursdays.



Spirit Day for May was Anything But a Backpack Day. Here are some creative students from grade 2

