

Off to a Great Start!

I am happy to report that the *Grade One* class is off to a great start to the school year! The children are getting used to their new classroom routines and are working hard on various assignments and activities. Thank you to all the parents for ensuring that your children come to school prepared for the day. Your support is greatly appreciated.

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Friendly Reminder:

Please remember to check your child's homework folder daily. Any important homework assignments or notices will be sent home in the homework folder.

That being said, some days there is nothing to send home! 😊

** Please remember to get as many Walkathon pledges as possible! Walkathon will take place on Friday, October 9. Please remember that dismissal will be at 12:00 pm that day!

Reading and Spelling

The expectation is that your child will spend approximately 10 - 15 minutes each night practicing their spelling words. Additionally, students should be reading a book appropriate to their reading level every night. My hope is that students will develop their sight word vocabulary and fluency, but most importantly, will develop their love for reading.

Mathematics

Students have been working on:

- Reading and printing numerals
- Understanding numbers 1- 10
- Skip counting (by 2's, 5's, 10's)
- Daily Calendar activities
- Identifying and Copying patterns
- Creating and Extending patterns (with 2 - 4 attributes)

Religion

We will continue practicing the sign of the cross, as well as the Hail Mary, Our Father and Glory Be. It would be wonderful if you could encourage your child to incorporate these prayers into your prayer time at home. Students are learning about the importance of being quiet and reverent during prayer time. Students have started to share special intentions. They are eager to pray for their families, friends, pets and for those less fortunate.

We are also learning about the Creation Story.

Theme Work

During October, we will continue to work on our theme "All About Me & my Family AND Home and School Communities." You can review with your child what a community is, who is a part of their home and school communities, and discuss why communities need rules! We will also be doing lots of thematic work surrounding Thanksgiving and Halloween this month!