

St. Patrick's Elementary School

News from the Specialists: Physical Education and Music, Term 2

PHYSICAL EDUCATION: Mr. Venegas

It's been another busy and exciting ride in the physical education department. The students continue to focus on fundamental movement skills, safety, and fair play. Basketball season is in full swing, keeping many students busy with practices, league games, and tournaments. All the students continue to learn about the importance of sportsmanship and working together as a team.

As well, all of the intermediate grades are learning about the value of physical activities in alternate environments and its health benefits. The Grade Four class will be participating in the HIWUS aboriginal program at Grouse Mountain, part of which involves the students learning how to snowshoe. The Grade Five class will be learning how to x-country ski at Cypress Mountain. The Grade Six and Seven class' will be learning how to downhill ski on the slopes of Mount Seymour. Thank-you to Ms. Sorochuk, staff members, and parents who are always committed to our St. Patrick students in all of these activities!

Nothing is impossible with all your combined efforts!

A big thank you to all the parents and staff for their wonderful support of the annual Christmas production. The students thoroughly enjoyed the experience of performing and it was a great way for the St. Patrick's community to come together and celebrate the meaning of Christmas.

In Term 2 the Grade 7's will be taking a look at how music has been used in the Church Liturgy and how that has changed throughout history. Grades 4-6 will be exploring the families of instruments in the orchestra, while the Grade 2s and 3s will be exploring the elements of music. Kindergarten and Grade 1 will be exploring their voices through song and movement.

MUSIC: Mr. Coles