

Grade 5 Update



Welcome to Term 3 everyone, it is going to be a very exciting final term with lots of learning.

HOLY WEEK

Next week is Holy Week, the week we remember Jesus' death and celebrate his resurrection. Students will learn about the Triduum (meaning the three main events of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Sunday). Easter is our greatest joy as we celebrate Jesus' resurrection and our own hope of eternal life. Let's celebrate!!!!!!

FUNDRAISING FOR NUDF

Grade 5 would like to continue our school's long standing tradition of supporting the work of the Northern Uganda Development Foundation (NUDF) led by Dr. Chris Opio (former parent and founder). We have partnered with him for almost 20 years to improve the quality of life for residents of that region. On Thursday, April 6th all students across the school will be challenged to give up a treat and bring \$5 each to school. The class aims to raise \$1000 towards the building of a new well in a poor community. More details to come in the school newsletter.



Speech Arts Festival



Grade Five are preparing to present 'The Recess Queen' in this year's Prince George Speech Arts Festival. Watch out for a costume letter coming soon. Students will be responsible for organizing their own costume and props. We will present at UNBC in the last week of April (date is yet to be confirmed).

BARKERVILLE is a GO!

Thanks parents for the prompt and positive response to our parent survey about a field trip to Barkerville. We will have enough volunteer drivers and so Ms. O'Brien and I will begin the next stage of planning the trip! More to come soon.



THE BASICS

Timestables – WE ARE RUSTY!!! practice every school night this coming week for recall of timestables.

Reading challenge CONTINUED– Take your reading to the next level, try non-fiction or the next level of chapter book....10 mins reading each night. Moving to more advanced chapter books will be our big focus for personal reading this term!!!

Literature Circles

Students will be starting their literature circle work in two weeks. Literature Circles are a more independent version of novel study. In Grade 5, Lit Circles are a way for students to use their reading powers to deepen their understanding of the text and to have the opportunity to present their views and listen to the views of others. Each week students will have a specific reading target. **I encourage you to engage your child in discussion about the book they are reading. Ask them to explain what reading powers they are using!!!!**