

Millgrove Principal's Report – December 2019

Current population is 177

No staffing changes! Congratulations to Mrs Leach who is pregnant.

Renovation update: Library almost complete (some electrical missing) – looking at gym occupancy mid-January. The mini-gym in room 109 is back in use with upgrades to ceiling and paint.

Grade 2 and grade 3 field trips this month.

Food drive is in full swing with the grade 5s taking a tally daily.

Polar Express Day for grades 1-5 will be December 18.

Holiday sing-a-long will be standing room only on December 20. K-1/2 at 11:15 and 2/3-5 at 12 noon

Working with Spencer Valley on the grade 5 transition. We would like to have the SV grade 5 students over in May and have our grade 5s visit SV on June 4. SV has 28 grade 5 students and Millgrove has 30 grade 5s.

We have been upgrading resources for student learning including 10 iPads for the junior classrooms – they will be distributed once cases arrive – 3 to Nedelko, 3 to Leach, 2 to Dahmer and 2 to MacCuish.

Gary from Little Jammerz is offering 8 weeks of lessons for \$90 with a \$20 fee for the guitar rental. Forms will come home the first week of January. We would likely begin the lessons the end of January.

Financial update:

Rural Schools funding, \$1868. Staff are thinking of an excursion or an Arts production / or Art gallery.

Staff would appreciate classroom enrichment money once in the fall.

January 27 (snow date Jan 28) – Science Day

February – Arts performance

March – Rocks and Rings

April - Arts performance

May – Air band (May 1?), Jump Rope for Heart (May 22), Grade 5 trip to Cave Springs (May 27), SC excursion? &

Go for Green (May 29?)

June – Year-end event

EQAO runs from May 19 to June 1