

Millgrove Principal's Report – February 2020

Current population is 174

No staffing changes-Ms Waldram and Ms Leach's positions will be posted in the next 2 weeks

Renovation update: Library complete with additional comfy seating purchased by the school.

Gym occupancy granted February 3 with use beginning on February 5. The gym was repainted Monday-Thursday of this week.

As part of our positive school climate focus, Millgrove has added a Stop Bullying box in the office in which students can leave tips or report a problem. Tips are included in the morning announcements. The HWDSB are offering a series of public meetings – Let's talk about bullying. These are for public consultation as the Board examines and updates its policies and programming. Please see hand-out with schedule of topics and meetings.

Science Day was a success. Staff would be interested in making this an annual event and creating kits to support the topics. Science books have been sent to Library services to be catalogued and then will be added to the collection in the library. Topics were: Kindergarten - Simply Marvelous Machines; Grade 1 - Energy Makes it Happen; Grade 2 - Air and Water; Grade 3 - Force of Course; Grade 4 - Don't Take Rocks for Granite; Grade 5 - Energy: The Power to Change.

All tech resources that have been ordered are imaged and in classrooms. I am preparing a 3 year budget to replace chairs, desk and tech and update curriculum resources to ensure that resources are current, the classroom environment is well maintained and welcoming for students and staff alike.

The read-a-thon celebration was on February 5. There were 23 students who were super readers amongst the 8 classes.

The \$500 deposit has been paid from the rural schools money to Junglesport for the June 1-4 dates.

Upcoming events at Millgrove:

February 12 – Little Jammerz begins their 8 week guitar program

February 14 – Grade 5 Valentine's Draw (all donations are welcome. Money raised during this event will subsidize the grade 5 year-end trip to Cave Springs.)

February 25 - Brent & Sarah Magic Show

March 26 - Rocks and Rings curling program

March 16 – March Break

April 30 / May 1 – Airband & Gym re-opening celebration

May 7 – Millgrove Open House & Book Fair (May 5-8)

May – EQAO

May 13? – Volunteer (bus driver) appreciation

May 14? – Grade 5 visit to Spencer Valley

May 21 – Kindergarten orientation

May 22 – Jump Rope for Heart

May 27 – Grade 5s to Cave Springs

May 29 – Go for Green

June 1-4 – Junglesport

June 4 – Grade 5 Spencer Valley visit to Millgrove

June 23 – Grade 5 farewell ceremony

June 24 – Millgrove year-end school celebration

Hydration stations are being priced for install in the summer – price range is \$800-\$3000. We are looking at the model without the chiller and will have the Board plumber install over the summer. This will be in the junior hallway. Council might want to consider purchasing a second hydration station for the primary hall.

Greenville Transition Committee – more information will be forthcoming once job action is done. I will attend these meetings with a school council rep.

Routines at end of day – students will return to the gym with bus, pick up and daycare dismissal happening at 3:05PM.