

## VICTORY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Victory Families,

Spring is here! We are already seeing some of the many changes that mark the return of spring - warmer temperatures, new life in our school landscape, opening our windows to allow the fresh air in ... and of course, Spring Break!

Thank you to our families that were able to celebrate your child's achievements during our virtual Student/Teacher/Family conferences. Children understand the importance of school when their family and friends take an interest in their learning and schoolwork. Getting involved in your child's education, even in the smallest of ways, shows that you care about their learning. It is never too soon (or too late) to start helping a child develop a positive attitude towards learning.

We hope our families enjoyed our virtual concert, "Stone Soup" earlier this month. The staff and students put in countless hours of practicing and rehearsals to put together the show. We celebrated their accomplishments with a school-wide viewing of the concert while eating a bowl of "Stone Soup" made by our school staff.

As part of our school plan's commitment to learning more about the Treaties, during the month of March we had student leaders from Room 6 share a word of the day that relates to Treaties. Words were chosen from the book, Treaty Words, by Aimee Craft. Every classroom received a copy of the book. Each day, the announcement included the treaty word of the day, a simple definition of the word, and a quote from the book. There was also a question at the end that asked students to consider how the word of the day connects to them. Students were invited to respond to the question in writing, art, conversation, or in their own thoughts. We shared each treaty word over our social media platforms for families to participate in the learning as well.

Registration continues for Kindergarten. Our virtual presentation about how to register for our Kindergarten class is available online through our school website. If you would like assistance with the registration process, or have questions, please contact our school office.

Wishing you all a very restful Spring Break! We look forward to seeing our students return on Monday, April 4th!

#### NEWS FROM ROOM 1

After participating in I love to Read month in February, Room 1 spent the better half of March engaging in a Book Review Project. Each student selected one of their favourite reads from the month of February and set to work writing a review for the book. Students had spent time looking over lots of different types of book reviews and decided what to include in their reviews. We formed a consensus and decided each of our reviews would include the following:

- Title of the Book
- Author
- Illustrator
- A statement summarizing the book
- A statement about whether they liked the book
- A statement recommending the book to someone

#### A few samples of our reviews:

Zane: Ninja of Ice by Greg Farshtey. "The book is about Zane who didn't know his parents. He went exploring to find out who his parents were". (Nikolas)

I love you Forever by Robert Munsch. "I like this book because it makes me think about my mom. My favourite part is when the boy's mom is rocking him to sleep". (Gracie)

Waiting is not Easy by Mo Willems. "I recommend this book to everyone because it teaches about writing". (Aiden).

After we completed our writing, students created cover art for the stories they chose. Students worked hard to ensure that their cover took up their whole page and that it was coloured with detail and that they used their most careful colouring. Room 1 students were excited to show these projects off during Parent Conferences!







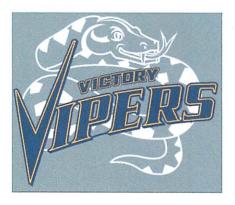
#### VICTORY VIPER PHYSICAL EDUCATION NEWS

In the month of March, classes spent some time learning about long-handled implements, more specifically – Badminton. Students learned about the parts of the racquet and the shuttles, the basic rules and game play, and basic skills of striking using the racquet.

When classes resume after Spring Break, classes will continue to learn and develop their striking skills and the basic skills particular to Badminton, with the end goal of being about to start and maintain a rally/game.

For students in Grade 5, they will have the opportunity to participate in Divisional Badminton Jamboree which is being held on May 11<sup>th</sup> at the Sport for Life Centre. More details to come at the end of April. We will start practicing for the jamboree mid-April.

As the weather starts to warm up, we will look to try to spend some time outdoors when the field/hard top is safe to play/run on. Until then, we will continue to be indoors for Phys. Ed.



Actively yours,

Mr. Pacag

Physical Educator

### **IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

SPRING BREAK WEEK: March 28-April 1, 2022 Friday, April 15 – Good Friday – NO CLASSES Friday, April 22 – Divisional PD Day – NO CLASSES Monday, May 23 – Victoria Day – NO CLASSES Friday, May 27 – Divisional PD Day – NO CLASSES Thursday, June 30 - Last day of school

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday		Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						SPRING BREAK	
3	Day 6 Return to School	5 Day 1 FT – Rm. 9	Day 2	6	7 Day 3	Day 4 Bus Evacuation	
10	11 Day 5	Day 6 ESOMS Open House 6:00 pm	Day 1 International Day of Pink	13	14 Day 2	Good Friday NO SCHOOL	1
17	18 Day 3	19 Day 4 FT – Rm. 19	Day 5	20	21 Day 6	Day 1 Divisional PD NO SCHOOL	2
24	25 Day 2 FT – Rm. 17	26 Day 3	Day 4 FT – Rm. 1 & 8	27	28 Day 5	29 Day 6	3