

February 26, 2010

March Letter

Dear Parents,

February was another busy month in Grade 1! In *reading*, we enjoyed some winter themed books and some books by Ezra Jack Keats. We also started our readers, "Zoom In" (Grade 1) and "Leap Out" (Grade 2). The Grade 1's have also been having a lot of fun with a unit on Dr. Seuss. In *writing*, we have continued with our Writing Workshop and many students are busy in the publishing stage of their stories. In *creation studies*, we have just finished learning about the Olympics.

As I look ahead to March, I am realizing that it will go by very quickly. I'm sure the students are excited to have a short break from school and I pray for safety for all those of you that will be traveling over the March Break.

In math we will be continuing to work on addition and subtraction to 20. This will include some fact and drill work with addition and subtraction to 20, so any extra work you can do with learning those facts at home will help your child in the classroom. For art, **we are looking forward to visiting the National Art Gallery next week Friday afternoon. Please send in your child's booster seat next Friday. Thank you!**

Scholastic Book Orders will be going home today and will be due back by next Friday, March 7th. As well, I am sending out Puzzlemania order forms. *Please don't feel any pressure to buy but I'd appreciate it if you still check yes or no, sign the form, and return it to school by next week.*

Please see the attached calendar for a few important dates for the next month in Grade 1.

As it is the time when report cards are distributed again, I have been made aware of the incredible progress that each student has made so far this year in Grade 1. Some students are especially excited to read and it is wonderful to see this love of reading come through. If you have any questions after you have seen your child's report card, please feel free to talk to me.

I pray that you will have a blessed Easter as we remember Christ's death and resurrection,

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