



Principal's Report to SAC

April 5, 2023

SSP

At the next staff meeting we will complete our reflection for cycle 1 and determine our next steps in literacy, math and well-being strategy for cycle 2. Student Success Survey 2022/23 will be open between April 17 and May 5. Each year the results of this survey provides up with valuable information to determine SSP well-being strategies. WE received a one-time grant of \$500 from EECD to support Mental Health and Well-being Resources. Funds could be used to support purchasing of resources, materials, speaker fees and/or sub time for teachers to engage in online training etc. that support student mental health and well-being.

ABCs of North Preston – The French department of EECD has reached out to DBDLI to have the book translated into French and distributed across the province. One difficulty is that a couple of the children's concepts when translated into French don't start with the same letter. I provided reasonable suggestions while attempting to keep the essence of the children's concepts. The letter U is proving to be the most difficult. I explained the importance of leaving it as is using quotation marks because of the historical and cultural connotation. They are not sure if the French Department will approve of this. We have also been informed that the video of the launch, filmed by Keke Beatz will be uploaded to DBDLI YouTube sometime this month. We still have books for sale at the school. Any books sold at the school stay in our fundraising category. We do not receive any profit from books sold outside of school.

Events & Recognitions to Support Leadership & Well-being

- Community Mentors: the girls club welcomed Ms. Beula Fraser to teach them how to knit dishcloths. Grade 6 class welcomed Ms. Francis Provo and Ms. Belinda Grant to help them extend math by taking their work with angles and triangles and begin sewing them into a quilt. We look forward to them and other mentors returning to help them finish the projects.
- Student Planning Team from grades 4/5/6 engaged in a full day planning workshop with the Physical Education Canada's ReBoot program. Jean, Kayla and Stephanie are the teacher leaders for this program.

- Big Crunch Apple Grant – Girls club will be making apple crisp for the classes and each student will also get to take home a delicious apple.
- Grade 6 will be engaging in STEM activities at the Centre for Ocean Ventures and Entrepreneurship (COVE), April 18th.
- ANSSSW field trip to Black Loyalist Museum for grade 6 with Ross Road – looking to reschedule.
- Funny Pages Festival at Halifax Regional Library April 21, grades 4/5 & 6
- Student Well-being Day June 1st, Keynote presenter Keonte Beals as well as other workshop leaders and activities still being confirmed.
- Hakmatack Author visit May 31st.
- HRA African Percussion/Dance-off. A group of students are working with Ms. Aidoo in preparation to participate in an African Percussion/Dance-off with other schools at Spatz Theatre May 31st.