ASASA Academy NE Calgary / Airdrie

NEWSLETTER

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ECS (JUNIOR KINDERGARTEN / KINDERGARTEN)

November 2021

Theme of the month: Gratitude







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Gratitude is an attitude that changes everything. The quality of being grateful for the little and big things, will help our children to grow into positive, confident, and contributing members of our society.

From a very young age children understand the language of a smile, a hug, a thank you and love. Parents and teachers, the most influential adults in a child's life can help children to develop the quality of being grateful by teaching them greetings,5 magic words, good manners, and most important by being excellent role models.

This theme will encourage students to understand the importance of and to be grateful for their family, their friends, their teachers, the school they attend and the gifts of nature.

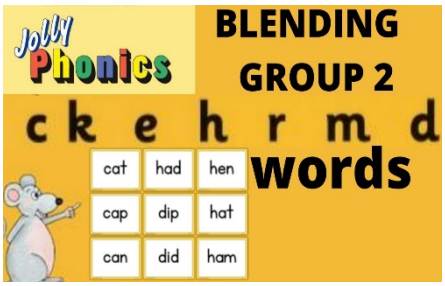
Students will be encouraged to talk about this theme across subjects like literacy, numeracy, science, social studies and show and tell activities.

Literacy:

Songs on Gratitude
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zw40KkJWVwI

Short stories on Gratitude
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JIodsXEvo4U
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y3cpV_dnNI

Phonics:Jolly phonics group 2 letters/ sounds and blending.





Self-expression: Show & Tell activities

Numeracy

Numbers 8 – 10 will be taught and reinforced. In addition to oral knowledge of these numbers. Students will learn how to show a number in different ways, such as using their fingers, through pictures, ordinal numbers, ten frames, and other manipulatives. Numbers 0 – 10 will be reviewed and assessed.

Science

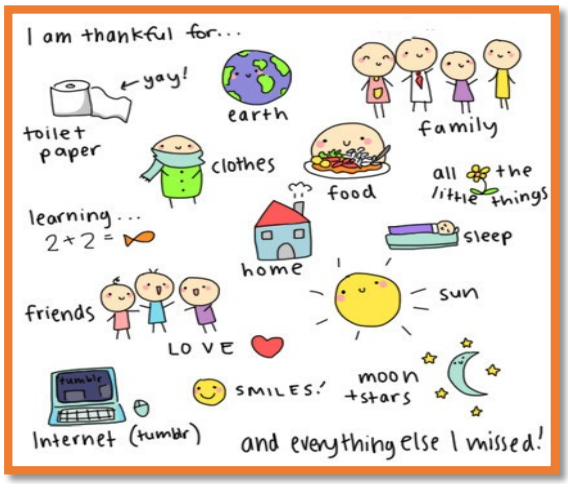
We will continue to
investigate our inquiry-based learning on the changes in seasons and weather. Students will learn and talk about how people and animals learn to adapt and survive in cold weather.

Social Studies

Diwali Storybook, Good manners, 5 magic words, Remembrance Day special, Keeping our surroundings clean.

Theme-based project

Students will create a poster/gratitude jar with 5 things they are grateful for and present during show and tell activity later in the month.



Reminders:

Uniform: Please ensure your child wears their uniform every day unless otherwise specified by the teacher. Students are not to wear jewelry to school.

Extra set of clothing: Please send a set of clothing with your child if you have not already. This ensures that extra clothes are ready in their cubbies in case of any spills or accidents.

Winter Clothing: As the weather gets colder, more layers are required to keep your child warm. If the weather permits, we will have 20 minutes for outdoor recess. However, in the beginning it takes the entire class 20 minutes to get everything on and off. With time, it will get easier and faster, but you can help with this process! Please practice with your child at home with how to put his/her winter gear on, in other words, zippering, buttoning, changing their shoes, etc. If they can get ready on their own, they will get more time outside.



Please refer to this video, to see a fast way for your child to put on their jackets: https://youtu.be/5J7Slnawmm0 . Thank you for your cooperation!

Label your child's belongings!
Please label all jackets, hoodies, boots, shoes, hats, mittens, water bottles and snack containers with your child's name. They may end up in the Lost and Found if un-labelled.

Remembrance Day:
We will celebrate Remembrance Day this day this month. We will commemorate this day by being grateful for the sacrifices made by our veterans and for the beautiful and peaceful land we live in, Canada! There will be a Poppy Craft planned for this day.

Important Dates	
Pinetown	**Airdrie**
Thursday, November 11 – Remembrance Day. No classes Friday, November 12 – Non-instructional Day. No classes	Thursday, November 11 – Remembrance Day. No classes Friday, November 12 – Non-instructional Day. No classes

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