

**SCHOOL COUNCIL - Teacher Report**  
**January 14<sup>th</sup> 2025 @ 6:30pm**

Teacher: Ruby Dhaliwal

Students enrolled: 786

Last month was packed with valuable learning experiences and significant events!

**November 4<sup>th</sup>** – First practice lock down was a success.

**November 7<sup>th</sup>** – Remembrance Day Ceremonies. Day was filled with meaningful lessons related to resilience and empathy.

**November 8<sup>th</sup>** – System Indigenous Education Professional Learning Non-Instructional Day (No school for students)

**Friday, November 8<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday, November 13<sup>th</sup>** – Fall break – No school

**November 14<sup>th</sup>** – School resumes

**November 15<sup>th</sup>** – Picture retakes

**November 19<sup>th</sup>** – School Council 6:30pm

**December 10<sup>th</sup>** – Diefenbaker Winter Concert

**December 13<sup>th</sup>** – Pep rally – students really enjoyed seeing their teachers participate in challenges which helped raise funds for Terry Fox Fund

**December 20<sup>th</sup>** – last day of classes and Activity

**January 6<sup>th</sup>** – Classes resume

**On Fridays:**

**\*Numeracy Block:**

-Grades 5-8 continue to focus on financial literacy, aiming to extend their understanding of math through real world application.

-Grade 9s continued to practice powers and exponents, practicing exponent laws. They also moved on to practicing scale, scale factor, and similar triangles and polygons including their real world application.

\*Wellness and Literacy Blocks:

- As part of our commitment to fostering a sense of belonging and deepening students' understanding of each other, all students learned about Diwali during our Wellness Block on November 1st. After this lesson, the grades 5–8 contributed to the school community by making poppies for our Remembrance Day ceremonies. The grade 9 students, on the other hand, focused on learning about the unfair treatment Indigenous veterans faced after the war. They then wrote letters to the Canadian Human Rights Commission and the Department of Justice Canada, advocating for the rights of Indigenous veterans.

- upcoming lesson will be looking at identifying personal literacy and wellness goals. Students will create action plans. Students will also explore goal-setting in diverse cultures (New Year & Lunar New Year).

**Athletics**

-Volleyball:

- Last week for tryouts Jan 13-16
- Girls practice: Monday and Wednesdays
- Girls game: Tuesdays and Thursdays
- Boys practice: Tuesdays & Thursdays
- Boys game: Monday and Wednesday

-Wrestling:

- Practices on Monday & Thursdays afterschool
- Wrestling divisional at Genesis January 28<sup>th</sup>

**UPCOMING:**

**January 23<sup>rd</sup>** – Lunar New Year Celebration

**January 27<sup>th</sup>** – Report cards available

**January 31<sup>st</sup>** – Non-Instructional day

**February 13-14** – Teachers convention

**February 17<sup>th</sup>** – Family Day

**February 26<sup>th</sup>** – Pink Shirt Day

**February 28<sup>th</sup>** – Staff Planned Non-Instructional day