

ELEMENTARY NEWSLETTER

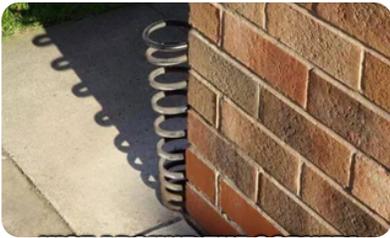


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Spring is just around the corner!

School will be closed for Spring Break from March 16th through March 27th. Students will return to school on March 30th. Don't forget to play outside, have fun, and make lots of memories!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Sun Hang Do**
March 5th
- **Learning Updates go home**
March 13th
- **Wear Green for St. Patrick's Day**
March 13th
- **Spring Break**
March 16th through March 27th
- **School reopens after spring break**
March 30th
- **Next PAC meeting is in April**

Hello Harry Sayers Families,

January felt like it lasted forever, and then February disappeared in a blink! While much of the province and even parts of the country saw winter weather, we managed to completely dodge the snow this year. I'm sure many of our students were a little disappointed they didn't get to enjoy tobogganing this winter.

February was filled with important learning and celebrations. Our classes spent time honouring Black History Month through stories, discussions, and activities that highlighted the strength, contributions, and accomplishments of Black individuals throughout history. We also celebrated the Lunar New Year and the Year of the Horse, bringing cultural learning and creativity into many classrooms.

A huge highlight this month was our first-ever PAC sponsored Glow Stick Dance for Grades 3 to 5. It was an amazing event full of energy, neon lights, and so much fun. Thank you to our PAC for organizing such a memorable experience for our students.

Our Grade 5 basketball teams wrapped up their season, and we are incredibly proud of their teamwork, sportsmanship, and growth. A big thank you to our dedicated coaching staff: Mrs. Krahn, Mr. van der Waarde, Mr. Brousson, Mrs. Toor, and Mrs. Tudhope. Your time, energy, and enthusiasm made this a fantastic season for our students.

Our annual Staff vs. Grade 5 Basketball Game was another great success. The staff pulled off another win, but Mr. Colbert once again missed his half-court shot, making it three years since recreating that legendary moment from several seasons ago. Maybe next year will be the comeback. Although March is short, it is full of exciting things, including

- Racket Sports in the gym
- Daylight Savings Time on March 8
- The Grade 5 Science Fair
- The Reading Link Challenge

Whew, it's been a busy time at Harry Sayers!

Congratulations to all of our students on an amazing Term 2. We hope everyone enjoys a fun, restful, and well-deserved Spring Break.

Ryan Colbert
Principal, Harry Sayers Elementary



- Friday, March 13th - MINI DONUT DAY
 - Watch for this on Munch a Lunch - ordering will open tonight!
 - \$3 for a package of 2 mini-donuts, delivered to classrooms before recess on Friday, March 13th.
 - Friday, April 24th - GR 4 & 5 - STAY HOME SAFE COURSE
 - MUST ORDER THRU VENDOR WEBSITE/QR CODE, please see attached poster.
 - Great way for grade 4 & 5's to spend a Pro-D Day!
 - Thursday, May 14th - K-2 LUNCHTIME GLOW STICK DANCE PARTY
 - Watch for this on Munch a Lunch - ordering will open tonight!
 - \$2 for 2 glow sticks and entry to the dance party!
 - \$1 from every entry goes to the Archway Starfish Pack charity
 - HOT LUNCHES - Reminder to order all hot lunches on Munch a Lunch. We're reusing some of the vendors, so make sure you're ordering for the correct date
 - Ordering has closed for this week's hot lunch, check out Munch a Lunch for all other hot lunches for the rest of the year - get your orders in!
- Thank you for supporting our FUNdraising efforts!
Your Harry Sayers PAC

PAC UPDATES

Mini Donut Day
Order on Munch a Lunch
Fundraiser closes March 10th at 11:59pm

REVIVE
First Aid Training Fundraiser
Stay Safe (Grades 4 & 5)
April 24th (registration online)

GLOW STICK DANCE PARTY
Order on Munch a Lunch
Grades K - 2
May 14th at lunch time



Kids don't remember their best day of television

S Science

T Technology

E Enginnering

A Art & Architecture

M Mathematics

S.T.E.A.M. Lab

Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics

A STEAM lab is a specialized educational environment where students engage in more fluid and dynamic project-based learning. Unlike traditional classrooms, STEAM labs are designed for exploration, collaboration, and innovation. Here, students might:

- Collaborate with one another to build robots
- Conduct scientific experiments
- Use problem solving skills to create digital art
- Explore coding and virtual reality.

"Programming isn't about what you know; it's about what you can figure out".

—Chris Pine, "Learn to Program"

Avoid Falls - Walk like a penguin

- knees relaxed
- toes pointed out
- short steps
- slow and deliberate
- hands free

Walk Like a Penguin!

Black ice is a thin coating on a surface like a road, parking lot, or walkway. It can occur when rain falls and freezes on a surface below 0°C. Since it's clear (transparent), the regular colour of the surface is seen, and not the ice.

Welcome to MunchaLunch.com

HOT LUNCH!

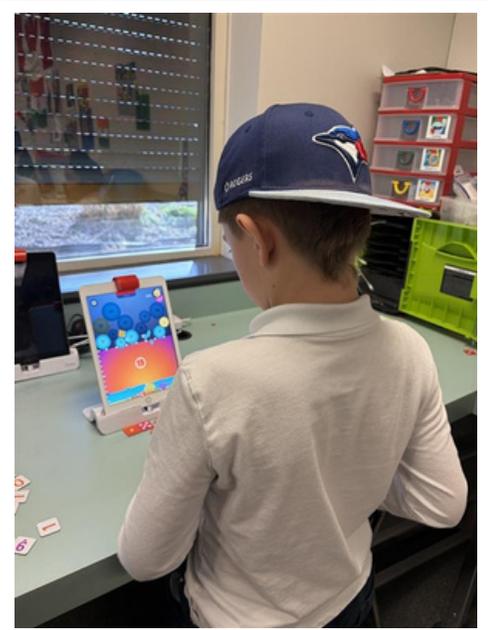
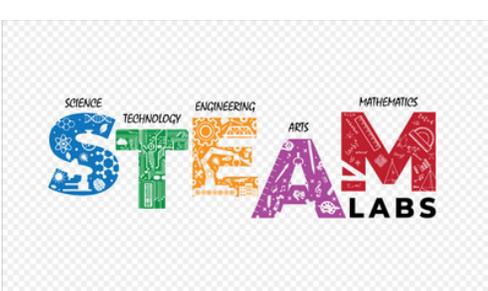
Munch A Lunch ordering is open for March – June

Go to MunchaLunch.com

The next hot lunch coming up is **Mucho Burrito** on **March 5th**, ordering closes on **Monday, March 2nd** at 4pm.

READING LINK CHALLENGE

Congrats to our Reading Link Challenge winners!
Grade 5 students: Benjit, Kirat, Mankaran, Sarthak



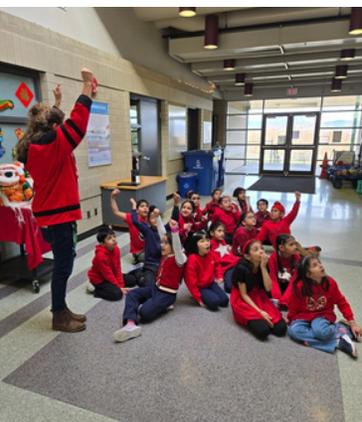
Lunar New Year



Mrs. Valihrach (Division 11, Grade 1)



Mrs. Multani (Division 4, Grade 4)



Mrs. Krahn (Division 13, Grade 1/2)



Mrs. Rai (Division 14, Grade K/1)



Dressed up for Pink Shirt Day, the students assemble in the gym for some thoughtful reflection

Pink Shirt Day



Pink Shirt Day classroom crafts



Selfie with Ms. Doerksen!



Making posters on Pink Shirt Day



Smiling for the camera on Pink Shirt Day

