



Issue #4

Newsletter



Xmas Carolling

This year saw our students participate in 2 Christmas carolling sessions.

The preschool and cycles 1 and 2 students gathered in the gymnasium on December 18, 2024, while the seniors were at the hockey game and sang to each other.

On December 19th, Ms. Descombes and her choir sang in the school foyer from 11 to noon. Their amazing renditions of Christmas classics entertained and thrilled the many classes gathered to listen.

Excellent job by all and it certainly established the holiday spirit for everyone.



HSB hockey game

On December 18, 2024, our grade 4,5, and 6 students were invited to watch a couple hockey games at the Kahnawake arena. This was an outreach program arranged by HSB high school. The games featured students from HSB, Harmony and alumni who signed autographs. Our very own Ms. Sarah also joined the festivities as the Grinch.



STAFF SPOTLIGHT

Did you know that Ms. Yamari takes tango classes?

Did you know that Mme. Jaziri speaks and writes Arabic?

Did you know that Mr. Chan was born on a tropical island in Malaysia?



Holiday Brunches

As per holiday tradition, parents of the kindergarten and grade 1 students were invited to a brunch potluck at school. The events were filled with delicious food, great conversations, and laughter. We can't wait for the next gathering.



Food Bank Donation

Through the generous donations of baked goods from cycle 3 parents and the student council selling. The bake sale held during parent/teacher interviews was able to generate over \$1091. This amount along with the toiletries drive conducted during the first 2 weeks of December allowed us to make a fantastic donation to the Chateauguy Food Bank. Well done to everyone.



Pillars Assembly

Harmony hosted our second pillars assembly in December. At this assembly, we celebrated the students who have demonstrated trustworthiness. Congratulations to all recipients as we continue to work on living up to all the pillars.



December being the last month of the year, cannot help but make us think of what is to come.

Fennel Hudson

Santa Claus

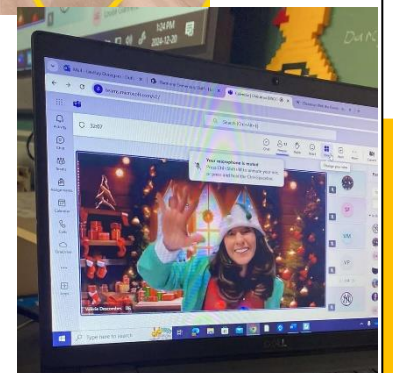
On December 19, 2024, Santa took some time out from his busy schedule to pay the student of Harmony a visit. Along with a couple of his elves, he spent some time in the kindergarten classes before enjoying the morning recess with the student in the backyard. It was a very pleasant surprise for the students.



ELF DAY



The Elf day tradition at Harmony happened again this year on December 20, 2024. The members of the PPO once again did a fantastic job with games and activities that entertained the students all day long. They also provided a pizza lunch with juice and chips for the entire school population. The afternoon bingo game was also a great hit with many students taking home prizes.



On December 2, 2024 NFSB held its student coalition with elementary student from grade 5 and 6 and high school students. The event gave students the opportunity to share their thoughts, ideas and concerns about their education. Harmony representatives Mathias Roy and Mila Drake, with the guidance of Ms. Della Valle, brought back many wonderful ideas. We can't wait to see these projects fulfilled at Harmony.



On Friday December 6th, Harmony was treated to a couple plays by the famed Geordie Production crew. The students watched in awe as the performances explored issues that are meaningful to their lives.



More from the classrooms

Once again, December consisted of many activities in the classrooms. Our students continued to receive visitors who presented their expertise in their field. We also had many opportunities to create holiday projects both for ourselves and those in need. Learning truly is a journey of experience at Harmony Elementary School



Fun Lunchtime Activities

The students have been involved in many lunch activities organized by both the student council and the staff. In the new year, there will be more activities organized by the staff. We are also looking for volunteers with expertise in knitting, quilting, drawing, writing, music, etc. If you are interested and available, please reach out to us.

Tutoring

Another session of tutoring will begin the week of January 13th. This session will run for 4 weeks.

Pet Therapy at Harmony

The pet therapy program started in November will continue in the new year with session 2. If your child is recommended for this program, you will receive a permission form to complete.

This will be another 4-5 week session.

Upcoming events in January

January 6th PED Day

January 8th Kindergarten Eye examinations

January 15th Governing Board

*There is beauty in every January sunrise,
- a new day, a new opportunity to grow.*

