



Newsletter

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Colors and change.

The season of autumn brings change in colors and temperature. This can often lead to wearing multiple layers in the morning and shedding them as the day goes on. This unpredictability will often result in items being left behind and ending up in Lost and found. Please ask your children to look through the Lost and Found to see if anything there belongs to them. We also like to remind all students and parents that clothing must be appropriate for school.

CLC/LEARN Parent Sessions

3 part webinar series "How can parents Support Anxious Kids and Help them Thrive?" Oct 22, Nov 5 and Nov 19.

Are you interested in hosting an international student? Contact Linda Cote lcote@nfsb.qc.ca

CPS will be hosting a Community Wednesday event on Dec 4th. Come visit the over 200 kiosks (and Santa). \$2/person spaghetti dinner available.

Free Online tutoring available at [LearnTutoring](https://www.learntutoring.com)

Busting Myths and Building Bridges: Perceptions of English-Speaking Quebecers' Relationship with French and Bilingualism Nov 14th

Positive risk and meaning as we age. Free conference for Seniors at 498 Bd. D'Youville, Chateauguay on Nov 13th Register with patricia@mwcnc.ca

Staff Spotlight

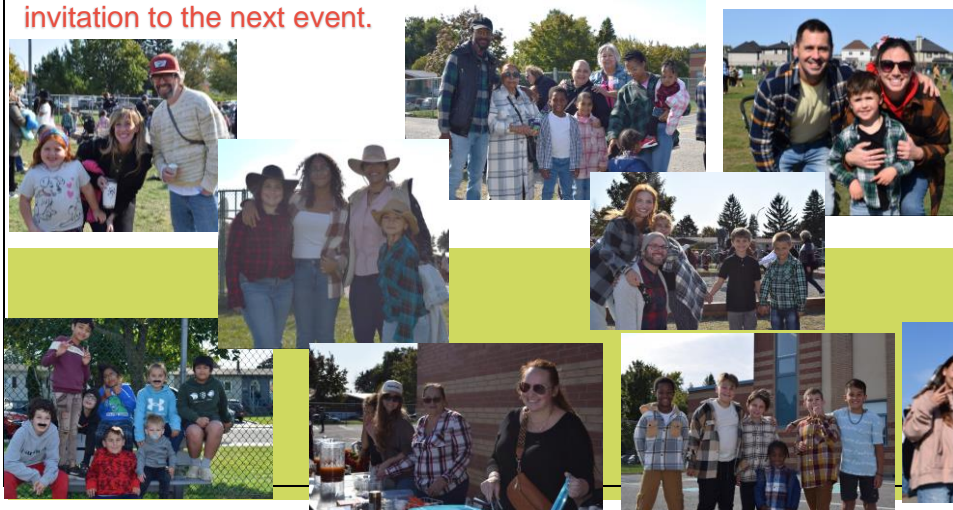
Did you know that Ms. Della Valle loves to watch scary movies?

Did you know that Ms. Gundry-White has completed a triathlon sprint, a Mud Girl race and a 10km run?

Saviez-vous que Mme. Elisabeth chante soprano dans une petite chorale?

Fall Country Social

On Friday October 11, 2024. Harmony hosted our first Fall Country Social. Mr. Flanagan and the student council worked very hard organizing the event with the help of many staff members. Parents, grandparents, and guardians were all invited to join our students for a fun filled afternoon of music, apples, cider and games. The PPO provided the apples, cider, and volunteered their time in serving the hungry crowd. The event saw over 450 people in our backfield enjoying the festivities. We look forward to having more opportunities to invite our community into our school. Harmony is very proud of our students and staff and want to show it off as much as possible. This was a great event to start this tradition. Keep your eyes peeled for the invitation to the next event.





Halloween at Harmony

With the help of the PPO and many volunteers, Harmony students, staff, and parents celebrated Halloween with a blast. The school was alive with action as students were treated to many games, activities and treats. This truly showcased the concept that it takes a village to raise a child. The PPO did an amazing job decorating, running the activities and cleaning up. Thank you.



From the classrooms

Harmony students explore learning in a variety of ways. Students create videos, draw murals, dig through dirt, write comic books, organize intramurals, and much more. Below are just some examples of what Harmony accomplished this month.

Grade 5/6 and 6 Halloween Projects

It has already been a month that the students of Mme Marie-Claude's French class have been working hard on their Halloween TV News skits. They created and wrote skits, in groups of three, with the intention of reminding the student's of Harmony about the Halloween safety rules. With the help of Ms Descombes, they learned how to be professional actors. This video will be viewed in class on October 31st. Congratulations to ALL 54 students!



The grade 5 students from Ms. Donegani's class read the novel "The One and Only Ivan" and did a research paper on silverback gorillas. Below you will find the paper written by Williams Agbanagba.

Silverback Gorillas

Written by Williams Mamuyowvi Agbanagba

-Intro

Did you know that the largest primate on earth is a Silverback gorilla? Yes, it is true! A Silverback gorilla is a Gorilla that have Silver on its back. They can grow up to six feet tall and four hundred pounds. The Silverback eats fruit, leaves, bamboo, nuts, and insects. Silverbacks are vegetarian. That mean that they do not eat meat. Silverback Gorillas lives in a group called troupes, in the troupe there is a Silverback who is the leader with female gorillas and baby. Silverbacks knows where all the People think that Silverback are angry and aggressive, but they are shy and gentle, they will get angry and aggressive when someone hurt their troupe. Silverbacks are calm, peaceful, and intelligent.

-Body

Did you know that Silverback gorillas rarely drink water? Yes, it is rue! Silverback Gorillas has small teeth small nose. Silverback Gorillas eat leaves to grow muscles and to get stronger. Silverbacks are smart, gentle, and peaceful. Silverback hit their chest to communicate with others. Did you know that Silverback Gorilla really like to eat? Yes, it is true. Gorillas eat about a quarter of their day. At night, the troupe sleep together in a nest on the ground.

-Research

Scientist research on gorillas and they found out that gorillas are shy, gentle, and peaceful. Did you know that Human share 90% of their DNA with Gorillas? Yes, it is true! This means that exposure to human illnesses such as the common cold or covid nineteen can be potentially life threatening to gorillas. Female gorillas give birth to young ones like humans. There are many gorillas that are still alive in the wild.

MORE WORK FROM THE CLASSROOM

Ms. Donegani's Grade 4/5 class conducted a research on the planets in our solar system and produced 3 classroom books. Below are 2 samples from Inarah Pascal and Lachlan Ferguson

Mars

Researched by: Inarah Pascal

Did you know that Mars is discovered by Galileo Galilei in 1610?

Mars has longer days than us because a day on Earth is 24 hours but on Mars it's 24 hours 37 minutes and 22 seconds. Mars has two moons called the Phobos and the other one is called the Deimos. Mars can have huge dust storms which last for months which can cover the entire planet. Mars has a nickname called the Red Moon because it has lots of iron in the soil.

Mars has two robots on there planet and that they are exploring the planet. Mars is unique because it's named after the Roman god of war. Earth is bigger than Mars, but Mars has 4217 miles. A year on Mars is more than a year on Earth, Mars has 687 days of the year. Did you know that Mars may seem warm but its very cold? Mars have weaker gravity than Earth. Did you know that Mars is the fourth planet from the sun?

Mars is covered with soil, rocks and lots of dust. Mars has four seasons but its twice as long as Earth. Mars has the same four seasons as Earth but the last longer because it's a longer year than Earth. Mars is red because of all the rust and all the soil. Mars once had liquid a long time ago but still might have some under ground. Mars has the largest dust storms out of all the planets.

Venus

Researched by: Lachlan Ferguson

There are a lot of bright things in the night sky, but did you know that the second brightest thing in the night sky is Venus? A day on Venus is longer than a year on Earth! Did you know that Venus was the first planet explored by spacecraft? Venus also looked a lot like Earth when they first formed! Venus is also the hottest planet in the solar system!

Did you know that it rains sulfuric acid on Venus? The sulfuric acid makes it smell like rotten eggs, yuck! Nine people landed on Venus on October 22, 1975. Venus is a terrestrial planet, that means it is rocky. There are also YELLOW CLOUDS on Venus! Did you know that Venus once had a moon? Venus has different gravity than Earth: Ex. (Earth) 100 kg (Venus) 90 kg.

Venus is very old, it is 4.503 billion years old. The mass of Venus is: 4.867×10^{24} kg. Venus is also close to Earth's size, some people even call it Earth's twin. Venus is the second closest planet to the sun, that might be why it is so hot.

Pillars Assembly

Harmony held our first Pillar's assembly on October 25th. This assembly was to celebrate students who have demonstrated Respect in the conduct, interactions, and behaviour. The other pillars we will work on this year are TRUSTWORTHINESS, CARING, FAIRNESS, RESPONSIBILITY, and CITIZENSHIP.



UPCOMING EVENTS IN NOVEMBER

Nov 3rd School Board Elections

Grade 6 tour of Kahnawake Nov 4th

Remembrance Day Nov 7th 1-2:30

Term 1 report card Nov 15th

PPO meeting 12th

Governing Board Nov 13th

PED Days Nov 11, 22, 28 and 29

Parent/teacher interviews Nov 28 & 29

"I am so glad I live in a world where there are Octobers"

L.M. Montgomery