

PHYSICAL EDUCATION REPORT GRADE THREE

During the second term children completed units in gymnastics, fitness and cooperative games. Our gymnastics unit exposed children to a variety of creative balancing, travelling, rolling and proper landings. Children had the opportunity to combine many of these skills to develop their own unique routine which was shared with the class.

Our cooperative games unit helped to develop teamwork as well as to introduce each student to mini keep away and invasion type games. Our focus each day continues to emphasize good listening skills as well as following safe routines while participating in the gymnasium.

Sean Kelley

Physical Education Teacher

Music Grade Three

This term started with preparations for our Christmas concert. We had a lot of fun preparing for it and I hope you were as proud of your children as I was. Their performance was absolutely beautiful.

As we moved on after Christmas we continued to spend much of our time learning and hearing the differences between beat and rhythm. The children have been learning to identify rhythms by hearing, reading and writing them. The children can read “ta”, which is a quarter note, “ti ti”, which are eighth notes as well as half notes, whole notes and quarter rests. We have also been learning to read the notes “doh, mi and soh”. All of these concepts are taught through songs and musical games. I must say that they are getting quite good at this. It’s great ear training and meets grade three outcomes in the music curriculum.

This term we completed a unit on the composer Ludwig van Beethoven. We studied a bit about his life and we also studied his Fifth Symphony. We used story, imagination and a bit of drama as we learned, so if you hear your children singing “BaNaNaNaaa”, ask them what they learned about Beethoven.

The year is moving along quickly and it’s hard to believe that we will soon be approaching the end of the year. If you have any questions or concerns about your child please come to see me Thursday evening or Friday morning for an interview, or call me if that doesn’t work and I will gladly talk with you.

Mrs. Arlene DesRoches

Music Specialist