

**NMPPS Weekly Message
Friday November 3, 2023**

Progress Reports and Kindergarten Communication of Learning

On Wednesday, November 15, you will be receiving either their Kindergarten Communication of Learning report or their Progress Report if they are in Grades 1-8.

These reports let you know early in the school year about your child's progress. For academic subjects like math, language, and science, the progress report tells you whether your child is progressing very well, well, or with difficulty. Progress reports do not have letter grades or percentage marks.

Connected to the November reporting period is the opportunity for families to have a conversation with their child's teacher. Parent/Guardian-Teacher Interviews will be done on Thursday November 16th in the evening and Friday November 17th in the morning. Please note that Friday November 17th is a P.A Day for students. Your child(ren)'s teacher will arrange to have a discussion with you about your child(ren)'s progress.

School Council Survey [School Council Survey Link](#)

We want to learn from you! How can the School Council help improve our school and engage more parents/caregivers? Please complete our short survey to provide your feedback and be entered in a draw to win a \$20 Freshco gift card. [See the attached poster for more details.](#)

**Nelson Mandela Park Public School (NMPPS)
SCHOOL COUNCIL**



Also, please come by to say hello and meet members of the school council on Thursday during parent-teacher interviews. We will be in the front hall of the school. We look forward to meeting you!

Remembrance Day

On Friday Nov. 10 we had a meaningful Remembrance Day ceremony. Our students came together to honor the heroes who sacrificed for our freedom.



The students recited poignant poems that highlighted the significance of this day. They shared heartfelt stories that resonated with the theme of remembrance. They also added the names of people they remember, to our display board. One of the most moving moments was when the students observed a solemn moment of silence, providing a powerful symbol of respect and gratitude.

Through these activities, our students gained a deeper understanding of the importance of paying tribute to those who have served our country. It was a beautiful and respectful event that fostered a sense of unity and appreciation for the sacrifices made by the brave individuals in our history.

Poppy Art and Haikus in Room 212



Remembrance Day in Kindergarten G01

We watched some informative videos about the importance of Remembrance Day and why we honour this day. We also read the book "What does peace feel like?" The Kindies then shared their ideas of peace using their senses! We then talked about the highway of hero's and created our bulletin board with the highway and painted poppies!



Music for Every Child

Students in G09, G27 and G32 began a weekly music therapy program with visiting music therapists from Music for Every Child. Students enjoyed exploring a variety of musical instruments and had a great time moving to the music.



Rangolis with Ms. Angela's 1/2s and Ms. Bell's Gr 5/6s

The grade 1/2s worked with their grade 5/6 learning buddies to make rangolis. First the grade 1/2s mixed food colouring with salt to make our Rangoli powder. Then the learning buddies worked together to draw their rangoli design with chalk and then to glue down the rangoli powder.



Coping During War & Conflict: Video Series and Culturally Responsive Resources

Our community is going through a period of unprecedented challenges, and we understand that it's crucial to find effective ways to manage our well-being. A video series and related resources have been

developed by TDSB staff and expert facilitators to offer coping strategies during war and conflict to support the emotional and mental wellness of students, parents/guardians/caregivers, staff, and the broader community. [Visit the Affinity Wellness webpage for videos and resources.](#)

[Virtual Ward 10 Forum with Trustee Deborah Williams](#)

Grade 8 to 9 Transition and Central Student Interest Programs

Thu Nov 9 from 6-8 PM via Zoom

Please [Sign Up Here](#) to confirm your attendance

Virtual Community Fair

For Parents/Caregivers of Children, Youth, and Young Adults with Special Needs and/or Complex Needs.

[Please find the information below about the Virtual Community Fair for the month of November.](#)