NMPPS Weekly Message

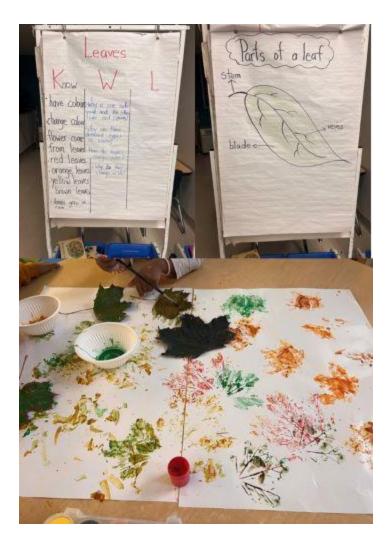
Monday, October 23, 2023

Sending this late as I wanted to include information about Photo Day!

Photo Day - Monday, October 30th <u>Photo Day Flyer (PDF of image below)</u>



Kinder Leaf Inquiry



Daily Prayer Room

Thank you to Hani Afrah, Muna Obsiye and Sayeda Begum for helping to get the prayer room organized and setup. The prayer room will be open at 1:35 PM and supervised by staff. Students will need a signed permission letter to attend, a copy is attached to this email. Muna Obsiye will also walk from class to class handing out letters. For we will be creating a Friday Prayer Letter shortly.

NMPPS Prayer Room Letter

Halloween 2023: Cultures Are Not Costumes

Each year, Halloween is marked in a variety of ways in school communities across the TDSB. Students can choose whether or not to participate in Halloween related activities.

As TDSB schools prepare for this day, there are often questions and concerns about Halloween costumes. To support safe, welcoming, and dynamic learning spaces, educators engage students in critical conversations about cultural appropriation, stereotypes, and caricature. This includes reminding students and staff that certain costumes are viewed as offensive, inappropriate and/or discriminatory to many different cultures/peoples, and as a result can cause harm to members of that community and the TDSB community.

It is important to be aware of the potential negative and triggering impact violent images and/or scenarios can have on students and families with varying lived experiences and backgrounds.