Mrs. Donovan's Monthly Newsletter

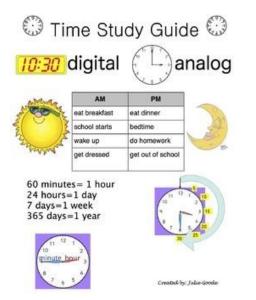
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Winter has arrived in full force, causing very cold temperatures. Although students have been staying in on extremely cold days, they must dress for the weather. Classes will go out to play as usual and this decision is made on a daily basis. Mrs. Pinder checks the forecast and makes the decision at her discretion. Therefore, your child must be prepared to go outside everyday.

МАтн

Students are working in a unit on measurement. Your child will explore telling time to the nearest minute using digital and analog clocks, reading a recording calendar dates, and finding area in cm 2 and m2. In order to help your child at home, please frequently as your child the time, as well as, what time it will be in 20 minutes, 30 minutes, etc. Or, what time was it 10 minutes ago, 15 minutes ago, etc.



LITERACY

Please continue to check your child's reading log every night. It is essential for your child to continue to read at home as a way to practice and strengthen their reading skills, but also to explore the concepts covered in the reading material. Each book has been specifically selected to reinforce the grade 4 curriculum. Many of the books cover areas in Social Studies, Science, Art and Literacy. Remember, in grade 4, students are not only learning to read, but reading to learn.



School Supplies

Many students are very low on their school supplies, especially colors, pencils, erasers, and scissors. I have been collecting 5 - 10 pencils daily from the floor and recycling them back to the class. Students are responsible to organize and take care of their own desks. Please check with your child and restock if necessary.