

School Council Teacher Report

May 13, 2019

Prepared by: Julie Corrigan

School Update:

- 1) **ACES Idol** was on May 9th. Thanks to Mme. Maloney, and Ms. Rhine for spearheading the event. Several teachers partnered with them to hold auditions and help with setup.
- 2) **Kinder Collection Fair** was on May 8th. Families were invited to see the variety of collections made by our kinder kids. There was a great turnout.
- 3) **Grade 6 Freezie Sales:** (May 10, May 17, June 6 and June 14). Fundraising is for the grade 6 end of the year field trip to Bonnenfant Camp in Dunrobin. Freezies are \$1 each and are nut free and gluten free.
- 4) **Lead Like a Girl Conference:** Mme Perrault took 13 grade 6 girls to Elmwood School on April 30th. It was an opportunity to join girls from across Ottawa to hear inspirational stories from Sophie Gregoire Trudeau and other prominent women in how to dream big dreams and lead with confidence.



- 5) **Grade 4 EFI:** This class had a rocks and minerals fashion show to show their learning last week. They are also working with the GLP class to help them with learning to play the ukuleles that are currently borrowed from the OCDSB.
- 6) **Scientist in Schools - Math Addition!** - Mrs Radbourne has organized a math workshop called Fractions in Action for MF4A and MF45A (Mariano and Lemieux) on May 15th.
- 7) **Mock Trials MF4A and MF45A:** Mrs. Radbourne is also partnering with The Elementary School Mock Trials (ESMT) which is a free program offered by the Ontario Bar Association (OBA).

On Day 1, the lawyer(s)-volunteer attends the classroom and provides students with an overview of the Canadian Criminal Justice System, introduce the fact scenario for the mock trial, and 'walk through' the various roles and duties of participants in a Court (jurors, witnesses and lawyers, both Prosecution (Crown) and Defence).

After Day 1, the lawyers re-attend the classroom to preside over the trial. In classes where there are two (or more) lawyer-volunteers, one can preside as judge while the other lawyer acts an "advisor" in the event the various participants need some gentle direction during the mock trial, including assistance with jury deliberations.

- 8) **Field Trip Frenzie!** Classes are travelling to the Canadian Museum of Agriculture, the Mill of Kintail, the Museum of History and to Stonecrest Water park. Our Council funded buses are being put to good use and staff appreciate the ability to enhance their programs.
- 9) **Butterfly Garden Maintenance:** Our community coordinator for the butterfly garden, Clare, has created a poster that can be used to invite more help with maintenance of the space. She is wondering if Council could electronically attach it to their platform(s). What Clare does is create a calendar from about mid-May to mid-September, and families (or individuals) sign-up for a couple of weeks over the summer. If the week they chose is rainy, then there is nothing to do; if sunny, then they water, depending on how hot/dry it is, possibly daily. The portable hose and trolley are provided.

10) **A Note from the Choir Directors:**



The Junior choir and the choir directors (Ms. Dawn, Mrs. Goodsell and Mme Schmidtlein) would like to thank the Parent council for paying for our bus to Choralfest. We had a wonderful day singing and working on our pieces with 10 other schools. Choralfest was held at Canterbury high school and we were treated to a performance by two of of their choirs, and those choir members were our mentors for the day.

We have ended the Junior and Primary choir season, but we definitely had a great year with 2 field trip concerts, a "Rag and Bone" concert for the school with our choir performing. participating in the Remembrance day ceremony and a Winter Concert. We would like to thank the Parent Council for all your support, to both choirs, during the year.



Requests for Consideration

Re-visit from last month

Collaboratory Additions and Enhancements

Supplier	Description	Price		Total Cost by Supplier	
Louise Kool & Galt	Rigamajig Simple Machines Kit	\$2,709.00	\$3,061.17	\$3,061.17	* Enhancement to Rigamajig Set
Spectrum Nasco	Makedo Education Kit	\$196.00	\$221.48		
	Lego Duplo Soft Brick Set	\$747.95	\$845.18		* Adding to first set - this is a popular item, having an additional set will allow for more complex constructions and/or more students to access
	Magformers Brain Up	\$557.05	\$629.47		
	KEVA Maple Structures (400)	\$214.90	\$242.84		
	Wedgits - Class Pack	\$128.95	\$145.71	\$2,084.68	
Wintergreen	LittleBits STEAM Student Set	\$414.95	\$468.89	\$468.89	
Grand & Toy	Rechargeable AA Batteries (8)	\$35.56	\$40.18		
	Charger for batteries (AA)	\$42.40	\$47.91	\$88.09	
			GRAND TOTAL =	\$5,702.84	

Proposal for Class Set of Ukuleles



Dear Parent Council,

Over the past couple of years, we have had the pleasure of borrowing a ukulele kit from the OCDSB in order to give our students the opportunity to learn and try a new musical instrument. Several teachers have taken this on, and we have seen student engagement in the musical arts increase and we have witnessed student success. The downside to borrowing the kits is that we only have the ukuleles for a period of 2-3 weeks shared among all the classes. This makes for a brief introduction for our students. Many teachers have expressed an interest in using the ukuleles as a teaching tool throughout the school year. We would be so grateful to have a class set of ukuleles that we could use for our ACES students. We are hoping to get a set of 30 ukuleles, 15 ukulele tuners, and 5 packages of replacement strings. The ukuleles all come with their own carrying bag.

Cost

\$31 / ukulele

\$17 / tuner

\$6 / ukulele string replacement pack

\$ 1372.95 (total cost)

Water Table Proposal

The kindergarden team would like to propose the purchase of a new water table. The table in Ms Fraser's class was broken earlier in the year and they have improvised for the time being. This purchase would allow for water and sand exploration throughout the year and these tables are used daily.



Wintergreen Water/Sand Table

38"L X 25"W X 27"H

Product code :

WG120027

Price :

\$799.95 +tx

Add 15% for shipping

Proposal for Exercise Bike

Proposal by students to provide another class with the opportunity to have an exercise bike. Students prepared a Powerpoint presentation to outline the benefits to their learning.



FMI X5 Kids Exercise Bike

\$895.95 +tx + shipping

The FMI X5 is a revolution in the indoor cycle world. It is a full commercial studio bike that is sized to fit users from 40" to 63". A free-wheel design (ability to pedal backwards) ensures complete safety for users. The nearly whisper silent operation allows the bike to be placed in any environment without intrusion. The bike is manufactured using durable and long lasting materials making it ideal for prolonged and constant use in a school environment

