



L'ACTION FRANÇAISE!



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Mathilde



We are pleased to welcome our French-Teaching Assistant, Mathilde Verneaud. Mathilde has travelled all the way from France to spend the 2023/2024 school year with our Colletville and MSS French Immersion students and staff. She will support French language and culture learning opportunities. A big thank you to the Sandusky-Kzanoski family for opening their home to Mathilde during her stay in Merritt!

Orange Shirt Day

Students and teachers spent the later part of September learning about the truths of residential schools, the ongoing effects of residential schools and how to build empathy & a future of reconciliation. September 29 our school wore our orange shirts to show our support of « Every Child Matters » and National Day for Truth & Reconciliation.



Helpful Links



Last year, Mme Mackay-Smith became a member of British Columbia's Southern Interior French Education Network.

This network is a great opportunity for all French Coordinators in the region to connect & collaborate on our various French Language programs. Our hard working leader, Joanne Brunel, has produced an amazing website for both educators and families. We encourage families to use the following link

<https://www.bcsifrenched.ca>

to access some great resources for French literacy, numeracy, bursaries & contests, articles and everything to make supporting your child's French learning experience fun!!

Division 7

We have had a wonderful start in Kindergarten at Colletville this year. The students are adjusting nicely to the daily pace and routines. They are currently



learning a variety of common vocabulary words such as colours, classroom objects and parts of the body. This week, the class began activities to reinforce the French letters and sounds.

Division 5



As part of our Famous Artists study, the students did their own renditions of Paul Klee's "Cat and Bird".



Division 2

Here is Division 2. We have been working hard on lots of revision. Sounds boring, right? Not in this class. They have been completing reading challenges: How many short books can you read in 2 days? They have been playing Math learning games: Can you beat the addition record of 3 digits plus three digits, 23 questions in 3 minutes?



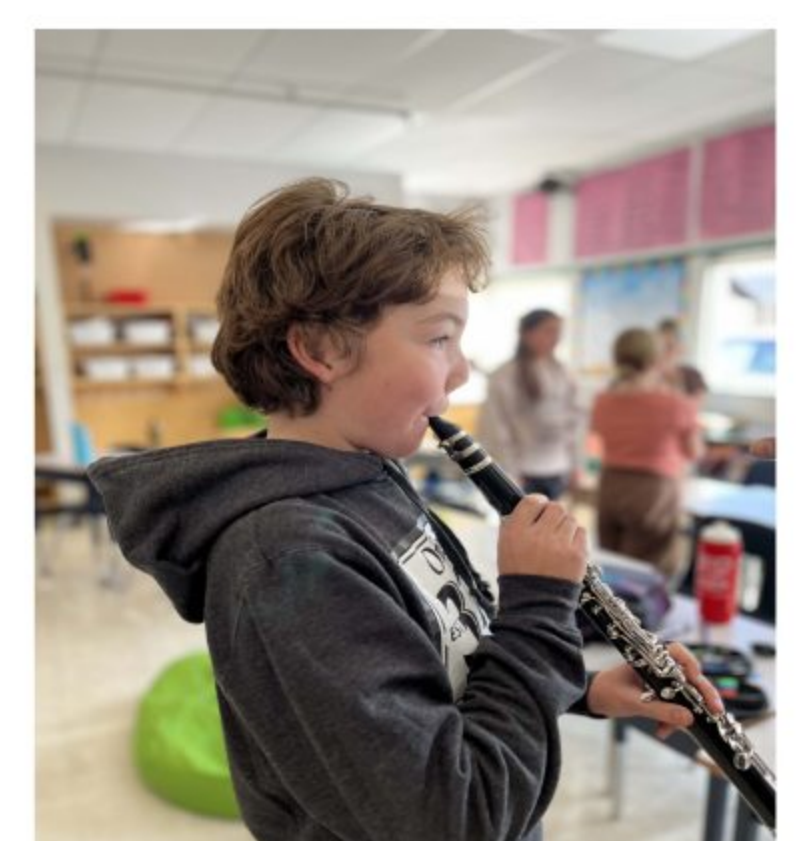
MSS - Grade 10/11

The focus so far has been a deeper understanding of verbs and learning when to use one or other. Students have just finished writing a blog about possible plans for the future to help them focus on the conditionnel tense. We are about to start writing advice letters to help them focus on the subjunctif tense.



Division 1

Our grade 7s are excited to dive into the world of Band. The first step is selecting instruments! Our grade 6s helped their older peers explore and choose instruments earlier this month!



Terry Fox Run

The annual school Terry Fox run was a hit at Collettsville. We started off with a group warm up which included some great French music to get us all pumped up! Students and staff proudly ran the Lindley Creek route and raised over \$200 to support the Terry Fox Marathon of Hope.



Division 4



Students in Division 4, read the story of Phyllis (Jack) Webstad and her orange shirt. Students created art and written work to honor Phyllis, Orange Shirt Day and National Day for Truth & Reconciliation.

Cross-Country

Collettsville has a great group of 27 students ranging from grades 2 to 7 representing us at district cross-country races. Students kicked off the season with the Central Park race hosted by Bench and they will run three more times in October. The first week of October will busy with the River Run hosted by Central and a trip to Princeton for their famous Airport Run.



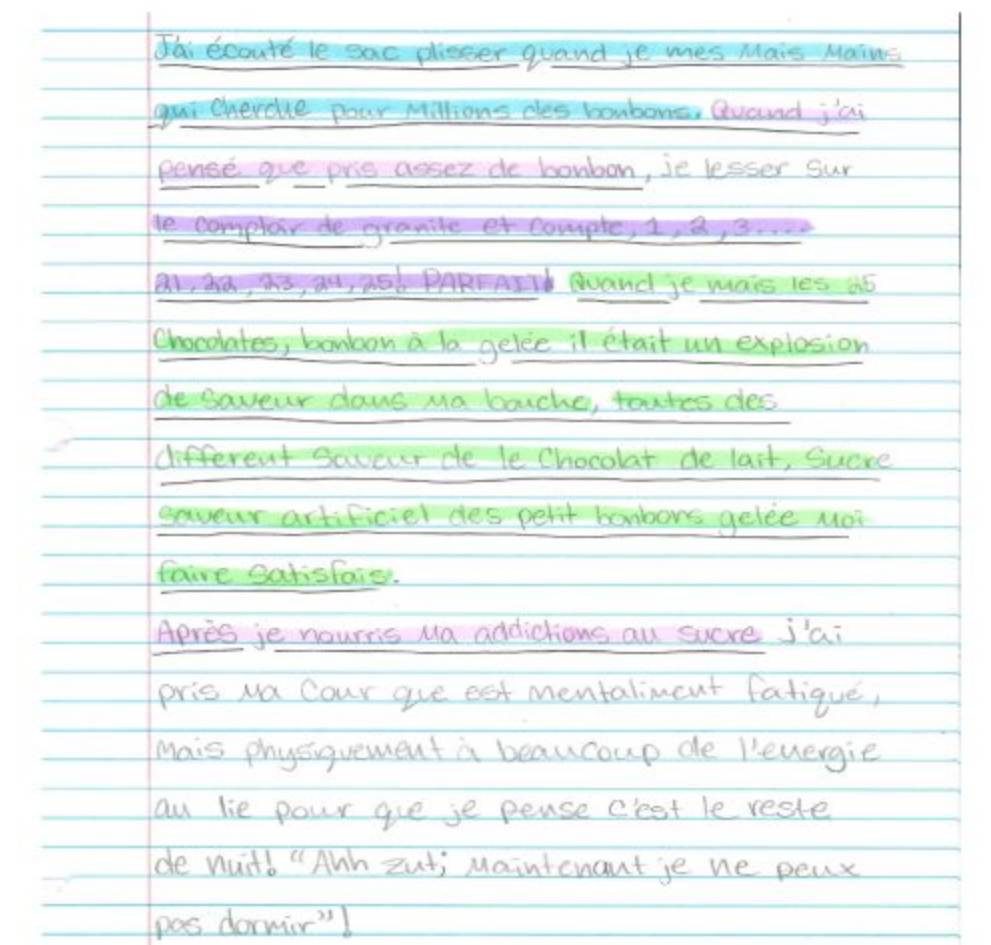
Division 3

In Division 3, we are learning about body systems. We made skeletons that moved and labelled the bones on our skeletons (shown here). We then labelled our own skeletons with sticky notes; it was fun!



MSS- Grade 9

Students spent September learning how to be more creative in their writing by using visualization and perspective. More specifically, they wrote a text about candy from a certain perspective with lots of visualization.



Division 6

Division 6 read 'Gideon va à l'école' and then drew our favorite thing that we might bring to school. We also learned a song about Terry Fox and la persévérance, in preparation for our Terry Fox run, which was lots of fun!



MSS-Grade 8

September has been all about revision. We started with reviewing the phonics they learned in Kindergarten and how to use phonics to read and write. We've just finished reviewing all the different ways they learned to conjugate verbs while they were in Collettsville. Students are currently using Mine Craft to help them remember the verbs of Mrs Dr Vadertrampp.

