

MME VAL'S REVIEW - FEB./MARCH 2025



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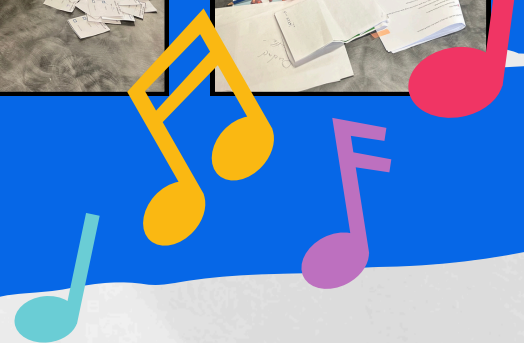
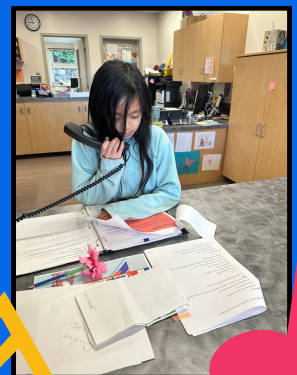
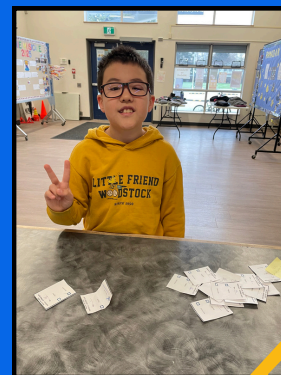
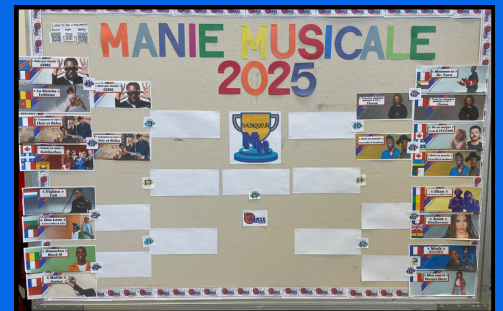
February and March were filled with lots of fun and engaging activities for our students. None of this would be possible without the hard work and dedication from our team. From basketball teams, to Carnival, Band Concert and Scholastic Book Fair, none of this would happen if it wasn't for teachers and other staff taking on extra responsibilities and showing leadership to make our school great. Thank you, Mitchell staff!



MANIE MUSICALE

This year, in March and April, all Mitchell students get to learn about and enjoy Francophone music and artists. Manie Musicale is a world-wide, bracket-style, music competition where songs from Francophone artists all around the world battle against each other to determine which is the favorite of the year. This year, over 800,000 students who are learning French all around the world are participating. You can find more information about the origins of Manie Musicale at this website: <https://www.maniemusicale.info/>

At Mitchell, Grade 4 students from divisions 5 and 8 have been reading artist bios in French and English during morning announcements before we listen to the songs. Mme Val has also had some extra Math support from Leon in division 5 to count the votes every day!





MITCHELL'S OWN CARNAVAL

On February 7th, Mitchell continued our tradition to have a Québec City-style Carnaval parade. This year's parade included: RCMP, Paramedics, Richmond Firefighters, a snow plow, Bûcheron, Bonhomme, stiltwalkers, the Mitchell Marching Band and our students and staff! Families were invited to watch and partake in the fun. We danced to traditional French-Canadian music and had an absolute blast. During the week leading up to the parade, students learned about French-Canadian and Québécois culture.





BAND CONCERT



On February 13th, we put the spotlight on Divisions 1 to 4 students as they showcased their musical skills during our band concert! A huge thank you to Mr. Wiens for his hard work promoting the love of music-making with our students.





BUILDING CONFIDENCE THROUGH NUMERACY

At Mitchell, we value students' voices and opinions. It is especially important to hear from our students when we set school-wide goals! We decided to survey students to learn more about their feelings around Math. Our goal was to get an idea of how students are feeling mid-way through our first year of targeting intervention on Math skills and numeracy, and to learn more about what they feel supports their Math learning best. We asked students: "How do you feel when learning Math this year?" Find the results in the table below!

Question 1: How do you feel when learning Math this year?

| Grade | GREAT | SO-SO | CONFUSED |
|-------|-------|-------|----------|
| K | 27 | 5 | 2 |
| 1 | 25 | 4 | 0 |
| 2 | 27 | 11 | 1 |
| 3 | 30 | 21 | 2 |
| 4 | 28 | 10 | 0 |
| 5 | 22 | 21 | 0 |
| 6 | 17 | 23 | 3 |
| 7 | 20 | 15 | 5 |

We also asked students: "What helps you learn Math well?" and "What do you want to do more of in Math?" The answers to these questions mirrored each other: games, using Math materials, worksheets and group work were the most popular answers across grades. These answers reflect and highlight the needs for our students to learn through play, cooperation and with different entry points. This information will guide us in the next steps of our Math goal!

LET'S PLAY

GLOBAL PLAY DAY 2025



On February 5th, Mitchell enjoyed playing together during Global Play Day. Students enjoyed free play without the use of screens, under teachers' supervision. The goal is to allow children to explore their creativity, problem-solving skills, and social interactions in a guided, yet spontaneous environment. See more pictures on the next page!



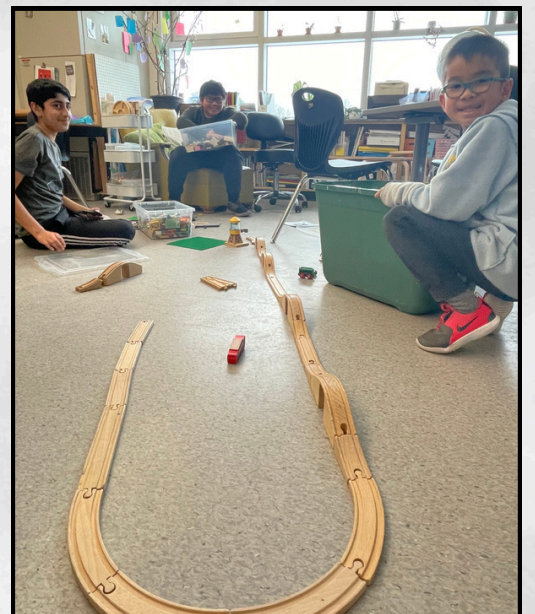
SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR 2025



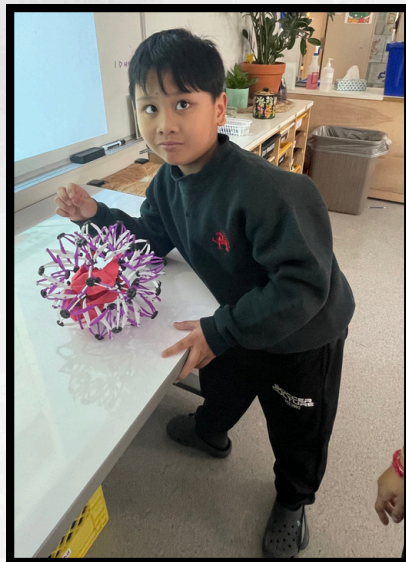
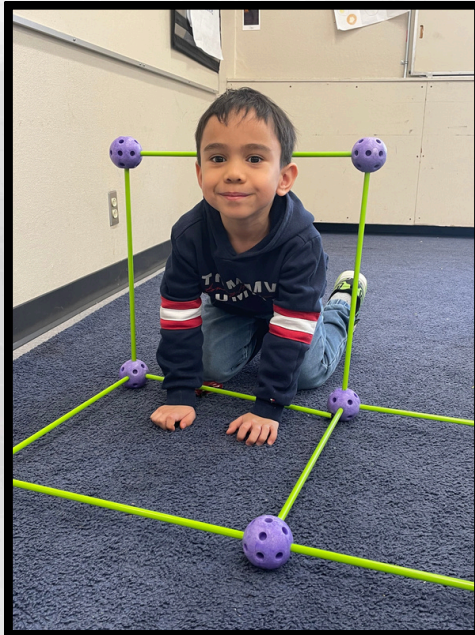
Our Scholastic Bookfair was held Feb. 24 to 28 in the school Library and it was huge success! Big thank you's to Ms. Fedoruk and her team of volunteers, which included dozens of students, who made this possible for our school and community!



GLOBAL PLAY DAY PHOTOS



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FUN IN THE SNOW!

