



Grade 9 Update January 2025

Ms. Babyn

- **Foods 9**

Students have been putting the finishing touches on their recipe book projects they've been working on throughout the term. I'm excited to see the yummy recipes they've found/created and put into their collections. As we wrap up the semester, students continue to bake and cook the last few items on their wish list.

- **Art 9**

Upon coming back to school after winter break, we reviewed the Elements of Art and Principles of Design along with incorporating them into a vision board project for 2025. We've looked at several examples of vision boards and students are now in the process of creating their own. Ideas for vision could include topics such as: hobbies, sports, schools, travel, friends, home, focus words, quotes, etc. Students are using mediums such as magazines, hand drawn pictures, photos and online pictures.

Please email me at olesia.babyn@eips.ca if you have any questions.

Mr. Brzezicki

- **Social 9**

We are wrapping up our analysis of the Charter of Rights and Freedoms. Students will be writing a two-part mid-term during the week of January 20.

The next chapter is looking at immigration policies and issues as they pertain to Canada. This chapter has the potential to create some interesting discussions when trying to analyze how the system works and what are the pros and cons of Canada's immigration policies.

- **Phys Ed 9**

We finished a successful and fun dance unit! It looks like the kids had a blast at the Snow Ball and participation was awesome!

We will be doing a few more "Beep tests" during the year and January is focused on basketball and February focuses on curling!

- **REC FIT 9**

We are playing a variety of games not typically done in regular Phys Ed classes. Additionally, we will have a number of field trips this year including the ones listed below.

Students have planned a Fitness Carnival where they will be guiding our Div 1 kids through a variety of activities that the grade 8 students have set up. This fun event happened on the morning of January 17, 2025.

Upcoming field trip dates:

€ January 23- Millennium Place – Yoga Class

Please email shaun.brzezicki@eips.ca if you have any questions.

Mr. Buchert

- **ELA 9**

Since our winter break return, we have studied the events surrounding the Russian Revolution to heighten our understanding of Felice Holman's historical fiction, "The Wild Children."

"Left behind when his family is arrested by soldiers during the dark days following the Bolshevik Revolution, twelve-year-old Alex falls in

with a gang of other desperate homeless children but never loses his hope for a better life.”

This novel teaches us the importance of hope in the face of tremendous adversity. I’m incredibly happy to share this story with the students, and I hope it will inspire them to create something excellent when they begin the process of researching and writing their own historical fictions.

- **Film Production**

The students are filming/editing their mockumentaries. They were charged with creating a fictional character and then creating a documentary about their lives, thus the term mockumentary. I look forward to seeing their creative work! I’m sure we will see some interesting films!

- **FSL 9**

Students are currently creating short presentations for the class, focusing on the sport of their choosing. In this unit, we will be using the verbs faire and jouer.

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Mr. Hazlehurst

- **Health 9** - We are currently finishing up our resiliency unit. Students are identifying what it is to be resilient and ways to build it. They are presenting their resiliency films. In February we will be discussing High School registration and requirements, as well as working through personal physical and mental health resources and unit.
- **Fitness 9** - Students are currently working on their 6 day, muscle group specific, workout plan. Focusing on their fitness goals, and designing a workout plan that they can use to achieve their fitness goals. They are doing this, while continuing to learn about fitness and workout fundamentals. As well, they are working through their fitness module that is due by the end of the semester. They also have their

final visit from Justin Cross at "Cross Conditioning" where they are doing their end of semester fitness testing.

Mr. Hill

- **Science 9**-The Great 9s are finishing their Matter and Chemical Change unit and are writing the unit exam. We are moving fast and furious towards spring with our next unit Electrical Principles. This is our Physics component of science 9. We discuss various forms of energy, static vs current electricity, motors, magnets, and the various mathematical formulas that coincide such as voltage, resistance, and POWER. We also research and build various circuits to understand the effects that electricity can have on various objects!! This unit is very hands-on and will have the kids using their problem solving and imaginations, really putting a charge into the second semester. !

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Ms. Slemko

- **Math 9** - This month I am asking all parents to make sure that your child has a calculator to use at school for math class every day.

Our current unit is about linear relationships. These graphs always form a straight line. We will learn how to find data between points and beyond points on a graph, as well as, how to create the linear equation from a graph of points or table of values. As always there will be review and practice links posted to Brightspace.

Please email jody.slemko@eips.ca if you have any questions.

Mrs. Vicic

- **Robotics 9** - Students are hard at work completing different challenges on the game board and preparing for our competition, which takes place at the end of January.

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